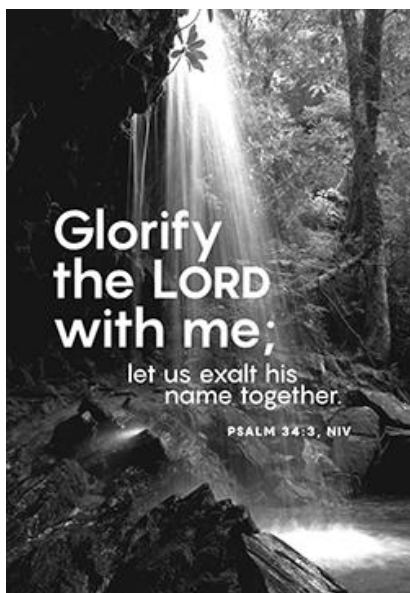


# ***Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana***



## ***July 13, 2025***

### **Our Mission Statement:**

***Our purpose is to be a unified body seeking to reach up to God, out to people, and down within ourselves to expand God's Kingdom for God's glory.***

## **First Baptist Church**

### **Ministry Leaders**

Rev. Mark Robinson    Interim Pastor

Mike Collier    Music Leader

### **Worship Team**

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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## Welcome & Announcements

### Vacation Bible School Emphasis

#### Call to Worship

*Worthy of Worship* ..... Hymn # 3

*I Worship You, Almighty God* ..... Hymn # 16

Prayer ..... Deacon of the Week ..... Paul Morris

*Serve the Lord with Gladness*..... Hymn # 382

*We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer* ..... Hymn # 9

Message..... Bro. Mark Robinson

Invitation ..... *Breath on Me* ..... Hymn # 332

Benediction ..... *Thank You, Lord* ..... Hymn # 582

**Birthdays for this Week:** Susette Housel, Letishia Miers (17), and Jarrod Leach, Terri Talbot (19).

<i>July Offering: Back to School Rally Offering</i>		
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$	500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$	625.00
<i>Amount of goal Exceeded:</i>	\$	125.00

**July Special Offering's**  
*Back to School Rally and School Supplies for Back to School Rally. Your support is greatly appreciated.*

<b><u>Members in Service :</u></b>		
	<b><u>Greeters</u></b>	<b><u>Deacon of the Week</u></b>
7/13	Kathy and Danny Warmack	Paul Morris
7/20	Phyllis Horton, Shirley Salley	Don Burkett

### **Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings**

- Place in offering box as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449).
- Come by the church office during office hours.
- Log on to [www.fbcmany.org/giving](http://www.fbcmany.org/giving) or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

### ***Activities This Week***

Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
	4:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Church Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Business Meeting
Next Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Live Stream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Dorothy Alford, Marilyn Booker, Sandra Brandon,  
Merrill Cummings, Lucille DeWitt, Dub & Catherine Gentry,  
Becky Horner, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach,  
Eddie Moore, Jeff Morrow, Beth Scaife, Rev. Claude  
Weatherford, Pat Wiggins, Suzanne Worsham, Mary Jo Wright  
The Ginger Jordan Family

### **Vital Statistics**

Financial July 2025		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,334.15	7/6	43	58
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 4,135.35	7/13		
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$ 23,198.80	7/20		
		7/27		



### **Wednesday Night Meal Menu for July 16<sup>th</sup>**

Pot Luck Please bring a Main Dish, Side, or Dessert.

Note: If you plan to eat with us, **RSVP to the Church Office**  
**by Tuesday at noon.** Call 256-5655 or email [fbcmany@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmany@bellsouth.net)

### **Finance Committee Today @ 5 p.m.**

Members of this committee are urged to attend. There are several important items to discuss. If you cannot attend, contact Paul Morris or the church office.



## **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

**TODAY @ 4 PM**

Today is our Church Council meeting it is important that all church leaders and committee chairperson attend the council meeting. We will be planning activities and events to put on the church calendar for the remainder of 2025 and upcoming 2026.

### **Mid -Year Contribution Statements**

Mid-Year contribution statements will be ready in the next couple of weeks. This statement will let you know where you are on your financial gifts to the church so far in 2025. When you receive your statement, please look it over carefully and let us know if you have any questions or if there is an error. We appreciate your financial support of the ministry of Many FBC.

### **VBS What A Great Success!!**

**What an incredible week here at First Baptist Church!! So many victories in Jesus this week! Everyone worked so hard with Joy and had attitudes of**



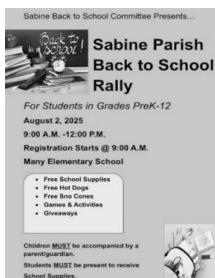
**kindness in all circumstances. We had on average of well over 30 kids in attendance each day. A huge thank you to all the people who helped with our VBS this year. We are thankful for God bringing all the children and adults who attended. It is our hope that what was started here, God will continue to work in their lives and letting them know that the only real truth comes from Him. God was truly magnified in the biggest and smallest of things at Many First Baptist this week**

### ***Business Meeting on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM***

*There are several important items to discuss! Church members are urged to attend. Come be a part of the discussions and decisions in church business matters.*

There will be no 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Fish Fry at Clara Springs for the month of July due to camp scheduling. Please make a note of this and mark it in your calendar.



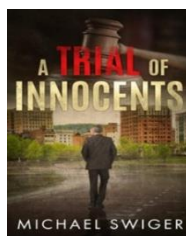


The Back to School Rally is set for Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Many Elementary School. This is for students PreK through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade. Children must be accompanied by a parent / guardian and must be present to receive school supplies

Watch our Sunday Morning Worship Services live on our Facebook page. If you cannot join us in person, please use this way to worship with us each week.

## Grateful Hearts Book Club

Ladies! Looking for a Christian book club? Come join us at Many First Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. The group meets the first Thursday of each month. We will not meet in July due to VBS taking place during that time. The next book we will discuss is "A Trial of Innocents" by Michael Swiger. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at our meeting on Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more info, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.



## **URGENT NEED - Media Committee** **Looking for Volunteers!**

The Media Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the ministry on Sunday mornings. We need people to help run the sound board, run the computer, or help with the Facebook livestream of our services. Sometimes it's just simply push a button or two. We have people who are willing to help train you plus the audio company is planning to come sometime the middle to end of July for a training. If you are interested in serving, contact the church office or Mark Jordan.

*We encourage everyone to join us Wednesday evenings for a great meal and a good time of Christian Fellowship. We start off at 5:30 with a potluck meal then at 6 p.m. we have prayer meeting and bible study for children and adults.*

# *Sermon Notes:*

## ***Notes from the Pastor Search Committee:***

Church Family,  
Courage Up !

The ladders of life are often filled with splinters. Splinters teach us .They also hurt us and cause pain. If we stay on the ground and never climb, never push past the splinter caused pain, never see beyond the lens of our own eyes, we rot like old wood.

*John 10:10 states "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."* In other words - to live life to the fullest requires us to experience splinters.

As a church we must experience splinters in order to grow courage and confidence in ourselves and our church body. And tomorrow's dream requires today courage to step out of our comfort zones and do things that we are not comfortable doing in order to grow. The pastor search committee needs your help with prayer and commitment to continue to lift not only us but our church, deacons, and staff up in prayer daily as we are searching and picking splinters out to find the pastor the lord is preparing for us. We as a church are ready to SOAR to new heights but we must all work together and be stronger than we ever imagined. The shortest word in our vocabulary is YES and NO yet they require so much thought. Do we throw in the towel when we get a NO of course not we pick out the splinter and we move on. Our strength doesn't come from within: it comes from HIM. WE can conquer anything with Christ.

*So be strong and courageous, all you who put your hope in the Lord ! Psalm 31:24*

Pastor Search Committee

