

# *Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana*



***August 24, 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 and Announcements

Call to Prayer .....Bro. Mark Jordan

Call to Worship

*Just When I Need Him Most* .....Hymn # 160

*Near to the Heart of God*.....Hymn # 458

*In the Presence of Jehovah*.....Hymn # 75

Prayer ..... Deacon of the Week ..... Mike Collier

*Jesus, Name Above All Names* ..... Hymn # 320

*Something Beautiful* ..... Hymn # 623

*There’s Something About That Name*..... Hymn # 317

*He Touched Me* ..... Hymn # 628

Special Music ..... *Goodness of God* ..... Laurie Gentry

Sermon ..... Rev. Mark Robinson

Invitation ..... *Fill My Cup, Lord* .....Hymn # 631

Benediction ..... *Family of God* ..... Screen

*Flowers for today’s service are placed by The Grace*

*Sunday School Class & Pink Sisters of Sabine in memory of  
Ginger Jordan for her birthday on August. 29<sup>th</sup>.*

**Birthdays for this Week:** Phyllis Horton, Brock Booker (24), and Shirley Salley.

<i>August Offering: Dist. Eight &amp; Sabine Disaster Relief Offering</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$ 500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$ 50.00
<i>Amount of goal</i>	\$ 450.00
<i>Remaining:</i>	

**August’s Special Offering’s**  
*District Eight & Sabine  
Assoc. Disaster Relief  
(Goal \$ 500) and  
La. Children’s Home Fall  
Food Roundup*  
Your support is greatly  
appreciated.

<b><u>Members in Service :</u></b>		
	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week</b>
8/24	Shirley Salley, Delores Geoghagan, and Rocky Wright	Mike Collier
8/31	Phyllis Horton, Gary and Ramona Moore	Paul Morris

<i><b>Activities This Week</b></i>		
Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Church Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
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, Jared Alford, Merilyn Booker,  
Tiffeni Campbell, Linda 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

<b>Vital Statistics</b>				
Financial August 2025		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,334.15	8/3	45	63
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 11,259.00	8/10	47	75
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$ 16,075.15	8/17	40	61
		8/24		
		8/31		

### **Wednesday Night Meal Menu for August 27<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)

Remember  
to  
**RSVP**

### **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.



## **Promotion Sunday is August 31<sup>st</sup>!**

Our annual Sunday School Promotion Day is next Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. Near the end of Sunday School time, those who will promote or wish to change classes will go to their new class, get their new Sunday School material for the next quarter. Sunday School leaders and members this is a great opportunity to reach out to members who haven't been in a while to help them get reengaged in Sunday School. Let's all make every effort to be move faithful in attending Sunday School for the 2025 – 2026 church year.

### **Church Office Closures**

**Monday, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> for Labor Day  
AND Tuesday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup> for Church  
Biz Conference.**

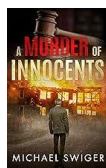


### **District Eight & Sabine Association Disaster Relief Monthly Special Offering**

The month of August is the time that we will collect the special offering for District Eight and the Sabine Baptist Association Disaster Relief funds. As you know August can be a hard time in Louisiana we are subject to possible hurricanes, dry conditions can cause fires these disasters can cause families to be devastated having their homes damaged or losing them altogether. These groups help with various needs for any disaster, including wild fire and hurricane relief. The amount we receive will be split equally between the two groups. Your gifts help fund their relief efforts so please be generous.

### **Grateful Hearts Book Club**

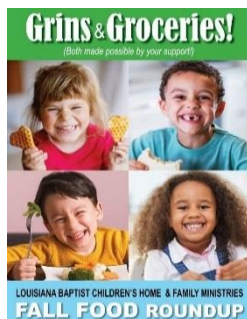
Ladies! Looking for a Christian book club? Come join us at Many First Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. The group meets the first Thursday of each month. The next book we will discuss is "A Murder of Innocents" by Michael Swiger. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at our meeting on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more info, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.



**The Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering starts soon. The week of prayer is be September 7 - 14 and prayer guides will be available. Our church goal is \$3,500. Special offering envelopes will be available in the pews. Pray for the lost in our state and the missionaries.**

## LBCH- Fall Food Roundup During August

This month we will begin collecting food and other items for the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home Fall Food Round Up. We will have Baskets set up across from the office and down in the Sanctuary. List of items needed will be on the table across from the church office, and various other locations throughout the church. or you can go to LBCH.org Please have your items here at the church by September 8<sup>th</sup> so the home van can pick them up. The Children's Home is also accepting monetary donations, however please make your check out to the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home.



**Back to Church Sunday/Round Up  
September 21<sup>st</sup> "Who will you "Round Up"?"  
Sunday Sept 21<sup>st</sup> is officially our Back to Church  
Sunday. It will give us a wonderful opportunity to  
round up people who haven't been here in a  
while. Invite a friend or two to come and enjoy a  
unique day of Praise, Worship, Food, and  
Fellowship. More details to come.**

### **Sabine Baptist Association Annual Meeting Hornbeck FBC on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Church members are encouraged to attend this meeting. If you would like to be elected as messengers, let the church office know so that you can be elected at the Business Meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup>. At the Association meeting, a meal will be served at 6:00 PM and the meeting will follow. Come be a part and get the reports of what all is happening and works all across our association.*

### **September Meeting Schedule**

**Sunday, 9/ 14 @ 5 PM – Finance & Budget Committee  
Tuesday, 9/16 @ 9:30 AM- WMU Meeting  
Wednesday, 9/18 @ 6:00 PM - Business Meeting**

*We have the following dates open for Sanctuary  
Flowers: September 14, October 5, and October  
12. Please call the church office as soon as  
possible so that we can mark your reservation on the calendar.  
They add so much beauty to our Worship Experience.*



# *Sermon Notes:*

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

Church Family,

Rough waters make smooth stones. Smooth stones bring down giants! Have the storms of life gotten rough lately? Do you just want to run and hide and have a good cry? Have giants in life gotten too big to fight?

We cannot let our negative frame of mind frame us in. Swim to the one solid rock we all know and trust JESUS and let him provide peace in the midst of all of our storms. He is our anchor to grasp when all we can do is grasp.

Our pastors search committee is praying that the Lord will send us a pastor that has weathered many storms and can lead us out of our dry patch. The last few Sundays we have had growth in number of visitors, baptisms, and new members joining our church we are headed in the right direction we just had to bring down the giants in our path.

The Lord is working on each of us every day we see his presence. Please continue to pray for us, our future pastor and our church together we can win this race and Finish Strong.

The baton has been handed to us. We have a choice. We have decisions to make. Remember God rarely drops things in our laps, but he does put them within our reach.

Reach out, grab it, and go! If we aren't actively pursuing the person we were created to be, we are becoming what we don't want to be. For the record....if we are not dead, we are not done. Let's ROLL

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new has come! 2 Corinthians 5:17*

Pastor Search Committee