

Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana



May 4, 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

Call to Worship

Send A Great RevivalHymn # 490

Come into His PresenceHymn # 584

Oh, the Glory of Your PresenceHymn # 76

Prayer Deacon of the Week Jimmy Bray

I Surrender All.....Hymn # 433

Change My Heart, O GodHymn # 529

This Is My Father’s WorldHymn # 46

Sermon Rev. Mark Robinson

Invitation*Speak to My Heart*Hymn # 428

Postlude*Because He Lives*.....Hymn # 449

Birthdays for this Week: Ann Tibbett (8), and Linda Sparks (10).

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 or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

<i>March & April Offering:</i> <i>Annie Armstrong</i> <i>Easter Offering</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$3,500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$4,001.00
<i>Amount of goal</i>	
<i>Exceeded:</i>	\$ 501.00

May Special Offering's
Gideon Offering &
FBC Food Pantry
Your support is greatly appreciated

<u>Members in Service :</u>		
	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Deacon of the Week</u>
5/4	Cathy Kelly, Nancy Wright	Jimmy Bray
5/11	Kathy and Danny Warmack	Danny Warmack

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
Wednesday	No Meal or Activities	
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Adult Day at Clara Springs
	2:00 p.m.	Grateful Hearts Book Club
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, Linda Cummings,
Lucille DeWitt, Dub & Catherine Gentry, Becky Horner,
Ginger Jordan, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach,
Eddie Moore, Jeff Morrow, Rev. Claude Weatherford,
Pat Wiggins, Suzanne Worsham, Mary Jo Wright

Vital Statistics

Financial April 2025		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,334.15	4/6	41	52
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 30,961.38	4/13	42	52
Budget Needs Exceeding:	\$ 3,627.23	4/20	48	81
		4/27	34	41

For the latest on what is happening in our Church. Go to our website www.fbcmany.org or check out our face book page for the latest.

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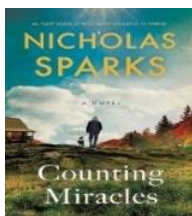
Many High School Baccalaureate Service

Wednesday, May 7th @ 6 p.m.

There will be no Wednesday Night meal, service or activities at our Church so those wishing to attend baccalaureate may do so. We will resume Wednesday Night meal and activities on May 14th @ 5:30 p.m.

Grateful Hearts Book Club

Ladies come join us this Thursday May 8th at 2 p.m. as we discuss this month's selection "Counting Miracles" by Nicholas Sparks. We encourage you to bring a friend along. This is a good opportunity for good Christian fellowship.



We have available dates open for Flowers for the Sanctuary May 25th and all of June and July. Please contact the church office so we can schedule you for a date. The flowers that are placed in the sanctuary add so much beauty to our worship experience.

May 2025 Meeting Schedule

Sunday, 5/18 @ 5 PM – Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 5/20 @ 9:30 AM – WMU Meeting

Wednesday, 5/21 @ 6 PM – Business Meeting

Blood Drive at Many FBC

Wednesday May 14th

Honor of Cancer Patients

The Life Share Blood Center bus will be at our church on Wednesday, May 14th. We hope that you will come out and give blood as a sign of support for area cancer patients. Inform your family, friends, and co-workers to come out to give. This will help build up the blood supply which is usually very low in the summer months.

Gideon Speaker on Sunday, May 18th

Offering for Gideons to be Collected



We will welcome Michael Wilson as our Gideon Speaker this year. Our special offering emphasis for May will be collected for the Sabine Parish Gideons. You can give any Sunday during May or by giving at the conclusion of the service on May 18th. Pray about your part in supporting the Gideons and their mission of placing the Holy Word in the hands of those who need it

Mother's Day Breakfast
Sunday, May 11th @ 8:45 a.m.

Our church will be honoring all mother's and their families with a breakfast celebration on Sunday, May 11th starting at 8:45 a.m. There is a sign-up sheets available on the table outside the office door. This will help them get a more accurate count of how many we need to prepare for. We encourage you to invite family and friends to join in this special event as well as for Sunday School and Worship.



Save the Date Sunday, May 25th
Memorial Day Picnic

Immediately following church service
Sunday, May 25th we will gather

downstairs for our annual church picnic. The church will furnish grilled hotdogs and hamburgers. You are asked to bring a side dish, chips, or dessert. We will have sign-up sheets available next week. This is something the church looks forward to every year. We encourage you to invite family and friends to attend.

VBS 2025 "Magnified"

July 6- 9 5 – 8 p.m.

Come join us as we discover the Bigness of

God in the smallest of things. We are looking for explorers from preschool through 5th grade. We are excited this year to have the students from Baptist Collegiate Ministry come and work with us. As we prepare for VBS, pray for everyone involved, that includes workers and children. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Debbie Roark. You can register children by calling 318-256-5655 or email the church at fbcmany@bellsouth.net Mark your calendar now and make plans to join us as we Magnify the greatness of God.



Looking for something to get your grandchildren or kids in your neighborhood involved in this summer.

We encourage you to consider Clara Springs it offers church camps for children of all ages and it is close to home.

Notes from the Pastor Search Committee:

Church Family,

Grace and peace to all in the name of Jesus our Savior!

1Again David gathered together all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. 2And David arose and went with all those who were with him to Baale-judah [Kiriath-jearim], to bring up from there [to Jerusalem] the ark of God which is called by the Name--the very Name of the LORD of hosts, who dwells enthroned above the cherubim. 6When they came to Nacon's threshing floor, Uzzah reached out [with his hand] to the ark of God and took hold of it, because the oxen [stumbled and] nearly overturned it. 7And the anger of the LORD burned against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his irreverence; and he died there by the ark of God. 2 Samuel 6:1-2,6-7 (AMP)

When David became king over Israel one of the first things he did was to capture and establish Jerusalem as his capital and military stronghold. Once David made Jerusalem the political capital of a united Israel he wanted to make it the religious capital as well. This required bringing the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem from Kiriath-jearim, where it had been ever since it came back from the land of the Philistines in the days of Samuel, believed to be about 100 years. David led 30,000 chosen men to bring the Ark up to Jerusalem on a new cart they had built. However, David used a Philistine method rather than God's method for transporting the Ark of the Covenant, which led to serious trouble. God had previously ordained that only the houses of the Levites, after sanctifying themselves, were to transport the Ark of the LORD GOD of Israel, and then with poles through mounted rings on each side of the Ark.

The sudden death of Uzzah seems harsh and unfair! After all he was just trying to keep the Ark from falling off the cart. In reality though there is judgment for our actions that are outside the boundaries that God has ordained – both then and now. David later admitted his mistake of not seeking God's way that He has previously ordained. *"Because you did not [carry it as God directed] the first time, the LORD our God made an [angry] outburst against us, for we did not seek Him in accordance with the ordinance."* 1 Chronicles 15:13

David tried to do the Lord's work in the world's way when he used the Philistine method to transport the Ark. David's motives to bring the Ark to Jerusalem were right, but his means for doing it were wrong.

We, too, can have good motives, but go about them in ways that don't align with what God clearly tells us in His Word. How often do we find that when we stay inside the boundaries that God has ordained we can succeed in His will for us? Please continue to pray that our committee remains focused on HIS way in accomplishing our assignment.

"But first and most importantly seek (aim at, strive after) His kingdom and His righteousness [His way of doing and being right--the attitude and character of God], and all these things will be given to you also." Matthew 6:33 (AMP)

Pastor Search Committee