

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



***December 21, 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. Wade Penfield    Pastor

Mike Collier    Music Leader

### **Worship Team**

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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*Nursery is available for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship ..... *Doxology* ..... Hymn # 668  
Invocation, Scripture Reading, & Welcome ... Jimmy Bray  
Scripture Reading..... *Psalm 100* ..... Rev. Wade Penfield  
    *I Sing Praises to Your Name* ..... Hymn # 17  
Special Music .....*In the Garden*..... Laurie Gentry  
Scripture Reading. *Romans 10:9-15* ..... Don Burkett  
Installation Service of Rev. Wade Penfield ... Dr. Jack Bell  
Affirmation of Pastoral Call..... Rev. Wade Penfield  
Presentation of Church Keys..... Danny Warmack  
Presentation of Bible ..... Paul Morris  
Presentation of Membership List ..... Phillip Roark  
Welcome & Prayer for our Pastor’s Family.....  
..... Dr. Jerry Penfield  
Special Music .... *How Great Thou Art* ..... Mike Collier  
Challenge to First Baptist Church family ..... Dr. Jack Bell  
Benediction Prayer ..... Dr. Jack Bell  
Response, Prayer, & Invitation ..... Rev. Wade Penfield  
Invitation ..... *Where He Leads Me* ..... Hymn # 436  
Postlude ..... Glenda Merriman & Merrill Cummings

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 [www.fbcmany.org/giving](http://www.fbcmany.org/giving) or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

December’s Offering: <i>Lottie Moons Missions Offering</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$6,000.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$2,200.16
<i>Amount Remaining of goal:</i>	\$3,799.84

Members in Service :		
Greeters		Deacon of the Week
12/21	Phyllis Horton, Shirley Salley	Phillip Roark
12/28	Delores Geoghagan, Shirley Salley, and Rocky Wright	Mark Jordan

**Birthdays for this Week:** Laurie Gentry (22), Becca Morris (25), and Delores Geoghagan (27).

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	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
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 Gentry, Marsha Gentry,  
Becky Horner, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach,  
Cecile Lites, Ellen Lites, Margaret Leach, Eddie Moore,  
Jeff Morrow, Rev. Claude Weatherford, Pat Wiggins,  
Suzanne Worsham, Mary Jo Wright  
The Catherine Gentry Family

Vital Statistics				
Financial December 2025		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,670.29	12/7	67	95
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 9,035.00	12/14	43	86
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$ 18,635.29	12/21		
		12/28		

**No Activites & Studies Week of Christmas**

*Due to the Christmas holiday, this week we will not have our Wednesday Night meal or activities on December 24<sup>th</sup>. However we will have a Candelight Christmas Eve Service that starts at 5 p.m. We will resume regular Wednesday night meals and activities on Wednesday, Jan 7<sup>th</sup>.*



January will start a new Flower Calendar for 2026. If you would like to have a special day to place flowers in the Sanctuary, please call the church so we can put it on the calendar. Thank you to everyone for putting flowers in the Sanctuary during 2025. They added so much beauty to our Sanctuary.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR  
FROM YOUR CHURCH STAFF!**

## *Pastor Installation Service*

*We are glad that you joined us this morning for our Pastor Installation Service for Rev. Wade Penfield. As he becomes the next Pastor of FBC, we encourage everyone to lift up Bro. Wade, Ms. Rebecca, Emma, and the family and our church at this special time. We are so excited to have him as our Pastor and for the future of First Baptist Church.*



## *Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions*

*Please be in prayer and give faithfully to the Lottie Moon Missions Offering. Prayer guides are available throughout the church. Offering envelopes are in the pews and placed throughout the church.*

*Church Goal = \$ 6,000.00*

*Given to Date = \$ 2,200.16*

*Your support is greatly appreciated and needed.*

## *End of Year Contributions*

*Please have donations that you would like to count toward your 2025 contribution statement into the church office by no later than noon on Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to know what your year to date contributions are, check your Realm account or contact Karen at the church office.*

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR  
CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAY  
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24 &  
THURSDAY, DEC. 25, & THURSDAY,  
JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>.**



## ***Proposed 2026 Revised Church Budget***

***By now, Church members should have received a copy of the Proposed 2026 Revised Church Budget. It was discussed at the Business Meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>. On Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at the end of Worship Service, this proposed 2026 Revised Church Budget will be voted on by secret ballot and without discussion.***

## **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 each month. The next book we will discuss is "Under the Tulip Tree" by Michelle Shocklee. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at meeting on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more information, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.



### ***Ladies Winter Bible Study***

***"Heaven"- When Faith Becomes Sight***

***Thursdays, @ 10 AM – 12 noon***

***Coffee @ 9:30 AM***

***January 8 – February 19, 2026***

***Member Books - \$25.00 each***

***(Pre-Pay for Books if you want FBC to Order)***

***Sign- up Sheets available on the table outside the church office & back of Sanctuary. For more info contact Ramona Moore or the church office.***

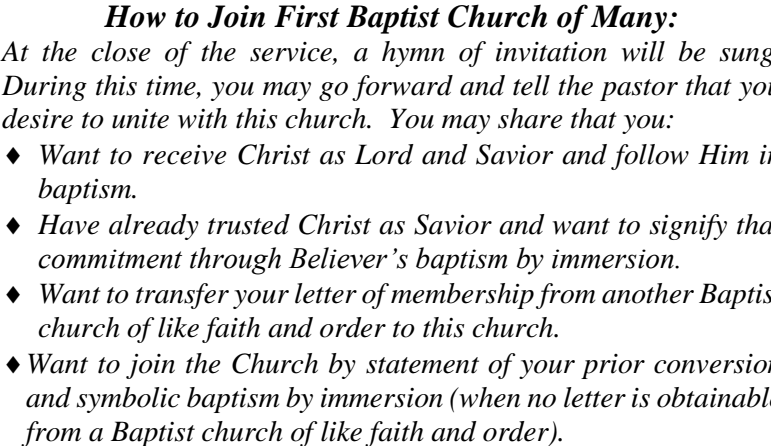
## **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> @ 4 PM**

**All Committees should meet now!**

All church committees should meet now to plan activities and events for 2026 as well as elect a chairperson for the year. Committees can contact the office to schedule meetings and to place them on the church calendar. All church leaders and committee chairpersons are asked to attend the Church Council Meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have any items for the agenda and church calendar for the council meeting, contact the church office to be placed on the agenda.

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*At the close of the service, a hymn of invitation will be sung. During this time, you may go forward and tell the pastor that you desire to unite with this church. You may share that you:*

- ◆ *Want to receive Christ as Lord and Savior and follow Him in baptism.*
- ◆ *Have already trusted Christ as Savior and want to signify that commitment through Believer's baptism by immersion.*
- ◆ *Want to transfer your letter of membership from another Baptist church of like faith and order to this church.*
- ◆ *Want to join the Church by statement of your prior conversion and symbolic baptism by immersion (when no letter is obtainable from a Baptist church of like faith and order).*