

**PRELUDE** “The Holy City Jerusalem”

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

**Hallelujah!**

**“He is Lord”** 177  
He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

## OPENING PRAYER

**“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”** 302  
**Verse 1**  
Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens and earth reply, Alleluia!

**Verse 2**  
Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

**“He Lives”** 310  
**Verse 1**  
I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today; I know that he is living, whatever foes may say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he’s always near.

**Refrain:**  
He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way. He lives, he lives salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives with in my heart.

**Verse 3**  
Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and song eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind.

**Refrain**

**CHILDREN’S MOMENT** Donna Ammons

## JOYS and CONCERNS

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

## OFFERTORY

“God So Loved the World That He Gave His Only Begotten Son”

**ANTHEM** “The Stone is Rolled Away” Johnson

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 20:1-18

**SERMON** “The Grave and the Garden” Rev. Brian Coplin

## HOLY COMMUNION

### INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

**“Graves into Gardens”**  
I searched the world, but it couldn't fill me man's empty praise and treasures that fade are never enough. Then You came along and put me back together and every desire is now satisfied. Here in Your love (Hey)

**Chorus**  
**Oh, there's nothing better than You. there's nothing better than You  
Lord, there's nothing, nothing is better than You**

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness, my failures and flaws, Lord, You've seen 'em all and You still call me friend. 'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley. There's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me again

**Chorus**  
You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes. You turn shame into glory, You're the only One who can You turn graves into garden, You turn bones into armies. You turn seas into highways, You're the only One who can.

**Chorus (2x)**  
You turn graves into gardens, You turn bones into armies. You turn seas into highways, You're the only One who can You're the only One who can

## BENEDICTION

**“Gloria Patri”** 70  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

**POSTLUDE** “May God Bless You on Easter Sunday”

## PRAYER CONCERNS

If you have a prayer request, please share it during our Joys & Concerns or fill out a prayer request card and place it in the Offering plate. If you have a request during the week: please contact the church office 256-3632. In the evenings or on weekends call our Pastor, Rev. Brian Coplin. He may be reached by cell phone 318 614 5050 or send him an e-mail:rev.coplin@gmail.com.

Carrie Broussard  
Jiles Bowling  
Our pastor and family  
Brian, Monica, Jack & Anna Claire Coplin  
Brianna Damron  
Charles Enterkin  
Joe Eschbacher(Stan & Debbie Arthur Profiris' son-in-law)  
Jason Fluitt (Vicki Simpson's son-in-law)  
Ken & Mary Ellen Freeman  
Seth Freeman  
Susan Giblin  
John & Betsy Godfrey  
Grace Kelsey  
Becky Lafitte  
Dean Lambert  
Shirley Lee  
Mary V. Lehr (Jonathan Neel's grandmother)  
Karen Lombard  
Billie Lou Luster  
Mike Luster  
Patsy McCormick  
John Moses (Vicki Weaver's uncle)  
Cheryl & Daniel Procell  
Janice Rike  
Rodney Roach  
(Vicki Weaver's nephew)  
Cindy Troha (Joe's sister-in-law)  
Kevin Troquille

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

### Sunday, April 17

8:30 a.m. - Coffee Time - FLC  
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Worship in Sanctuary

### Monday, April 18

6:00 p.m. - Scouts - FLC

### Tuesday, April 12

12:00 p.m. - Lion's Club

### Wednesday, April 20

5:30 p.m. - Meal  
6:00 p.m. - Adult Covenant Groups  
6:00 p.m. - Youth TNT  
6:00 p.m. - First Kids  
7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

### Saturday, April 23

2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - FH Rental



### NOTE TO PARENTS

All children are welcome in worship! We offer nursery care for children 0-5 years of age. Our nursery is located at the bottom of the front stairs. Additionally, our calm room and restroom with diaper changing table is available in the back of the sanctuary. For the security of our young ones in these areas, all exterior doors are locked after the worship service has begun. Entry will then be available with the assistance of our ushers at the front glass doors. Thank you.

#### April Nursery Volunteers

April 3 - Vicki Isgitt  
April 10 - Mary Ellen Freeman  
April 17 - Carolyn Dove  
April 24 - Cathv Troquille

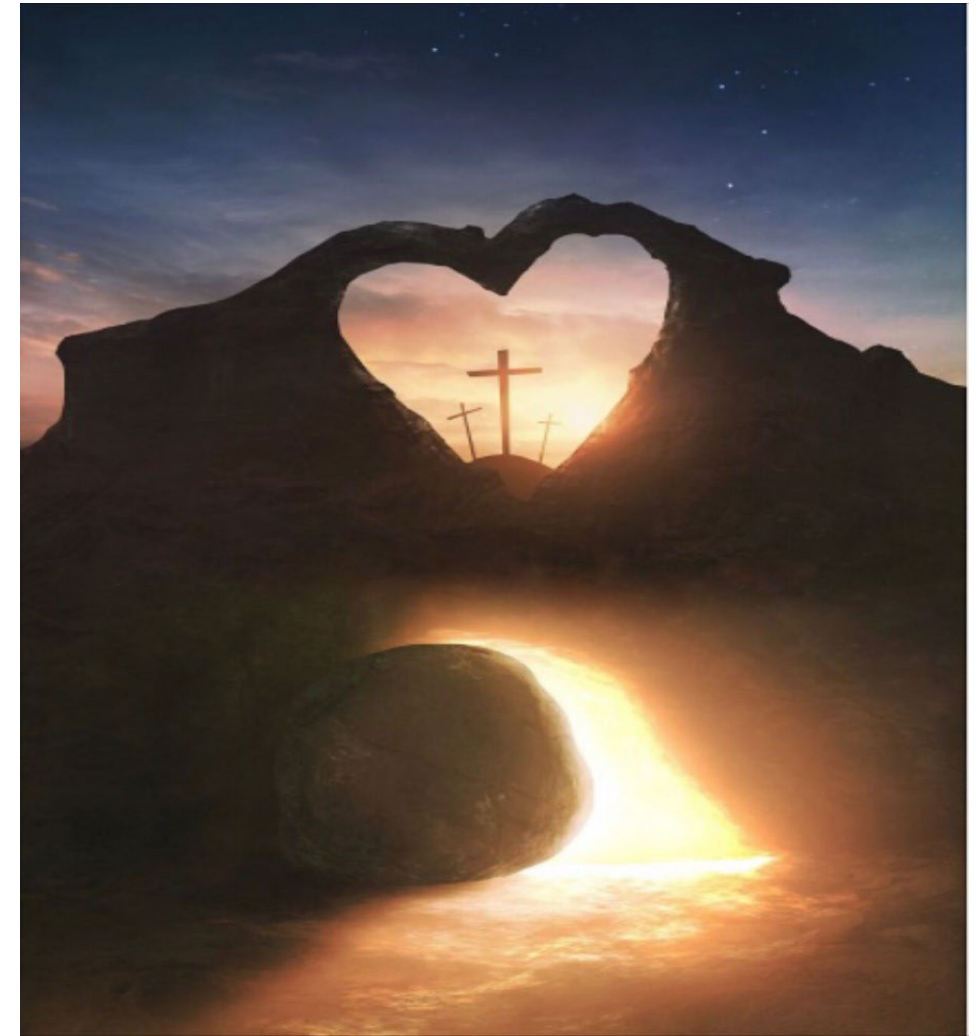
### GIVING

In addition to our offertory, online giving is available through our website

[fumc-many.com](http://fumc-many.com) We can also receive gifts through [Text to Give](#).

To use this service, simply text "FUMCM" to 22525.

Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 1210 Many, LA 71449. Please call our church office for additional assistance at 318-256-3632. Thank you.



First United Methodist Church  
Many, Louisiana

Easter Sunday  
April 17, 2022

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### **IN MEMORY OF**

In memory of my loved ones given by Bobbie Kratz  
In memory of Henry Thomas given by Gail Thomas  
In memory of Dr. Jack Corley given by Nick, Hope & Jack Cambis  
In memory of Earl & Maxine Dove given by Ted & Carolyn Dove  
In memory of Rex & Clovice Taliaferro given by Ted & Carolyn Dove  
In memory of Brandy Simpson given by Mike & Vicki Simpson  
In memory of Jo Ellen Cotton given by Mike & Vicki Simpson  
In memory of Ethel Ammons & Lois Barnhill given by Kenneth & Donna Ammons  
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Doug Abington given by Pete & Ellen Abington  
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Prier Stone given by Pete & Ellen Abington  
In memory of Pearletta Enterkin given by Allen & Vicki Isgitt, and  
Charles Enterkin  
In memory of Cindy Enterkin Heard given by Allen & Vicki Isgitt, and Charles  
Enterkin

### **IN HONOR OF**

In honor of Ann Middleton given by Bobbie Kratz