

**PRELUDE
WELCOME AND GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” 224

Verse 1

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye need not fear the grave: News, news! Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall. Christ was born to save, Christ was born to save!

**OPENING PRAYER
A TIME TO SING**

“He Is Born” 228

Refrain:

He is born, the holy Child, play the oboe and bagpipes merrily! He is born, the holy Child, sing we all of the Savior mild.

Verse 1

Thru long ages of the past, prophets have foretold his coming; thru long ages of the past, now the time has come at last!

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“Love Came Down at Christmas” 242

Verse 1

Love came down at Christmas, Love, all lovely, Love divine;
Love was born at Christmas; star and angels gave the sign.

Verse 3

Love shall be our token; love be yours and love be mine; love to God and all men, love for plea and gift and sign.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS**

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 15:7-13
the Message translation

SERMON “REMEMBER THE RADICAL RADISH” Rev. Ray Spiller

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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.**

All pray in silence

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!

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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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth...

...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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**OFERTORY
DOXOLOGY**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

“Gloria Patri”

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

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
Norman Booker III
Jiles Bowling
Lake Childress (friend of Gary & Janet Elam)
Linda Christian (Janet Elam's cousin)
Our pastor and family
Brian, Monica, Jack & Anna Claire Coplin
Lily DeRamos (Gary & Janet Elam's granddaughter)
Brianna Damron
Donna Ellzey
Charles Enterkin
Greg Everett
Odis Faust
Jason Fluitt (Vicki Simpson's son-in-law)
Seth Freeman
Gwen Gastinel (Janet Elam's Sister)
Laurie Gentry
John & Betsy Godfrey
Rene Hill (Janet Elam's sister)
Zachary Hill (Janet Elam's nephew)
Crystal Hable
Grace Kelsey
Bobbie Kratz
Louis Lee
Renita Logan
Billie Lou Luster
Mary Ann McDaniel (Kristie Vick's mother)
Bill Roach
Rodney Roach
(Vicki Weaver's nephew)
Denise Richardson
Ken Seegers
Linda Seegers
Bill Sky (George Ellis) (Laurie Gentry's dad)
Cindi Sullivan (Suzanne Fogle's sister)
Kevin Troquille
Family of Ross Williams

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Robert Gentry
Billy & Becky Lafitte
Kent & Shirley Lee

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

Sunday, January 1

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

Monday, January 2

Church Office Closed
6:00 p.m. - Ultreya- Holly Grove

Tuesday, January 3

9:00 a.m. - Church Office Open
12:00 p.m. - Lion's Club

Wednesday, January 4

5:30 p.m. - Youth, Children, Covenant Group supper
6:00 p.m. - Covenant Group
6:00 p.m. - Youth & Children
7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Thursday, January 5

9:30 a.m. - United Women of Faith - Parlor

Are you connected?

As a church family it is important to feel connected to each other and the church activities. Let's talk about what we need as a church and as an individual and how we can meet that goal in 2023.

Please contact Amie Mitchell, email: atmitch@bellsouth.net or mail to:

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c/o FUMC P.O. Box 1210
Many, LA 71449



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.

January Nursery Workers
January 1 - Mary Ellen Freeman

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

Epiphany Sunday January 1, 2023

Pastor:
Minister Emeritus:
Choir Director:
Accompanist:
Organist:

Rev. Brian Coplin
Rev. Ray Spiller
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