# PRELUDE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CALL TO WORSHIP

"Sanctuary" 2164

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

OPENING PRAYER A TIME TO SING

# "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" 127 Verse 1

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty, hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.

# "For the Healing of the Nations" 428 Verse 1

For the healing of the nations, Lord we pray with one accord; for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords; to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word, help us rise and pledge our word.

#### Verse 4

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

JOYS AND CONCERNS CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

# 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. Amen.

ANTHEM "Cornerstone" arr. Sorenson

SCRIPTURE Matthew 7:1-6

SERMON "Pigs and Pearls" Rev. Brian Coplin

# INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

# "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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#### Verse 1

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;

#### Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

#### Verse 5

For thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering upon every shore her pure sacrifice of love; **Refrain** 

#### Verse 6

For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given, for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: **Refrain** 

# "The Apostles' Creed"

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# OFFERTORY 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.

I.D. Bostian

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

Family of John Godfrey

Rene Hill (Janet Elam's sister)

Zachary Hill (Janet Elam's nephew)

Crystal Hable

Grace Kelsev

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

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, January 29

8:30 a.m. - Coffee Time - FLC 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship in Sanctuary

#### Monday, January 30

%:30 p.m. - Administrative Council Meeting - Light Meal & Training- Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts - Conference Room

6:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FLC

Tuesday, January 31

12:00 p.m. - Lion's Club Wednesday. February 1

5:30 p.m. - Covenant Groups

5:30 -Youth & Children

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Thursday, February 2

9:30 a.m. - United Women in Faith

#### 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: <u>atmitch@bellsouth.net</u> or mail to: Amie Mitchell c/o FUMC P.O. Box 1210 Many, LA 71449



Nursery care is provided for children 5 years and younger at the bottom of the front stairway. There is also a "cry room" at the back of the sanctuary. Please be aware that, for safety' sake, all external doors are locked after the worship service has begun. So, if you need to leave and re-enter the building, please do so through the double glass doors in the Narthex where the ushers can assist you.

### **January Nursery Workers**

January 1: Elizabeth Pickett

January 8: Elizabeth Pickett

January 15: Cathy Troquille

January 22: Carolyn Dove

January 29: Mary Ellen Freeman

# \*WAYS TO GIVE

Give your tithes & offerings during worship services. Place offering in box in Narthex. You may send by mail to FUMC P.O. Box 1210 Many, La. 71449. We now have the option to give through **TEXT TO GIVE**Text #22525 then put in code FUMCM

You may also go to the church website fumc-many.com

Please call the church office for more information 318-256-3632 **Taking donations for food pantry.** 



# First United Methodist Church Many, Louisiana

January 29, 2023

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Minister Emeritus:

Choir Director:

Accompanist:

Rev. Brian Coplin

Rev. Ray Spiller

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