

PRELUDE
WELCOME AND GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Congregation: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna in the highest heaven!

WAVING OF THE PALMS
“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” **277**
Verse 1
Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

Verse 2
First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus’ face.

OPENING PRAYER
A TIME TO SING
“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” **278**
Verse 1
Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

Verse 3
“Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” **280**
Refrain:
All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Verse 1
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David’s royal Son, who in the Lord’s name comest, the King and Blessed One.
Refrain

Verse 3
The people of the Hebrews with psalms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present.
Refrain

JOYS AND CONCERNS
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

ANTHEM “Hallelujah for the Cross” Youth

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON “Resolve” Rev. Brian Coplin

HOLY COMMUNION
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. In love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, your love remained steadfast. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Easter feast, that, renewed by your Word and Sacraments and fervent in prayer and works of justice and mercy, we may come to the fullness of grace that you have prepared for those who love you.

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.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time to redeem the world. He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in our likeness. He humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. He took upon himself our sin and death and offered himself, a perfect sacrifice for the sin of the whole world.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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 forever.

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.

Kathy Alford (Donna Ammons’ friend)
I.D. Bostian
Carrie Broussard
Chuck Boudreaux
Jiles Bowling
Gale Byles
Lake Childress (friend of Gary & Janet Elam)
Linda Christian (Janet Elam’s cousin)
Beth Coplin (Rev. Brian’s mom)
Our pastor and family
Brian, Monica, Jack & Anna Claire Coplin
Jason & Diane Davis (Amanda Lambert’s nephew & niece
Brianna Damron
Janet Elam
Donna Ellzey
Charles Enterkin
Greg Everett
Odis Faust
Jason Fluitt (Vicki Simpson’s son-in-law)
Seth Freeman
Laurie Gentry
Bobby Isgitt (Allen Isgitt’s brother)
Grace Kelsey
Bobbie Kratz
Amanda Lambert
Jerry Lee (Louis Lee’s dad)
Renita Logan
Debbie Loudon
Billie Lou Luster
Ginger Jordan
Patsy McCormick
Bonnie Fox Miles
Bill Roach
Rodney Roach
(Vicki Weaver’s nephew)
Denise Richardson
Janice Rike
Craig Skinner (Rev. Brian’s friend)
Jackie Snider (Vicki Weaver’s supervisor at work)
Cindi Sullivan (Suzanne Fogle’s sister)
Kevin Troquille
Ward Whitfield (Carole Troha’s brother)
Cindi Wright

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Mike Simpson
Brian & Monica Coplin
Mike & Tammy Luster

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 2
8:30 a.m. - Coffee Time - FLC
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, April 3
6:00 - Ultreya - FH - Many
6:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FLC

Tuesday, April 4
12:00 p.m. - Lion’s Club

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

Thursday, April 6
9:30 a.m. - United Women in Faith
6:00 p.m. - Tenebrae Services of Shadows

Friday, April 7
9:00 a.m. - Good Friday - Church Office Closed
Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

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:
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.

****WAYS TO GIVE***
Give your tithes & offerings during worship services. Place offering in offering plate. 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

40 Cans for Lent
Consider having your family donate one can or item to our little pantry for each of the 40 days of Lent. Donations can be dropped off any Sunday. Thanks for your help, Kristie and Cathy



First United Methodist Church
Many, Louisiana

Palm Sunday
April 2, 2023

Pastor:	Rev. Brian Coplin
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Ray Spiller
Choir Director:	Carole Troha
Accompanist:	Patsy McCormick
Organist:	Gail Thomas

Website: fumc-many.com
“Like” our Facebook page

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The worship committee is working to enhance our worship experiences through spiritual activities, engaging music, altar design, participation in worship as liturgists and leading the congregational prayers each Sunday. During March and April, we are in the season of Lent, and have planned several opportunities for individual and community worship experiences.

- ❖ The Labyrinth is open at all times for prayer and reflection (found across the street from the Family Life Center) however, during the Lenten Season you will find a special Labyrinth Walk for Lent. A box posted near the stairs leading to the Labyrinth contains a brochure with special prayers and reflections for this season. The community is welcome.
- ❖ Palm Sunday, April 2nd will be celebrated with the children and youth as Holy Week begins.
- ❖ Thursday of Holy Week, April 6th at 6:00 p.m. a special Tenebrae Service of Shadows with scripture and music.
- ❖ Good Friday the Labyrinth will be set up for individual prayer and reflection using the Stations of the Cross. Individuals or families may go at their convenience.
- ❖ EASTER SUNDAY come celebrate the RESURRECTION!

EASTER LILIES

Easter Lilies will adorn the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. The lilies may be in memory or honor of someone. Be sure to contact the church office to provide the information for the bulletin no later than Wednesday, April 5th. Please have them wrapped in white paper with gold bows. The office is closed on Good Friday, so lilies must be delivered no later than Thursday, April 6th.



**Saturday, April 8
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

We will need wrapped candy that fits in eggs, plastic eggs, snacks, money, prizes, etc. We will also need someone to read the kids the Easter story and game helpers. We will need egg hidere also. I also would like suggestions for new games. Let me know if you think of something. Please consider coming and helping. You will get a blessing.

Vicki Weaver, Education Committee



**"Twists & Turns" Weekend VBS
@ First United Methodist Church of Many**

**Saturday, June 3rd, 9:00-3:00
Sunday, June 4th, 9:00 - 1:00
Kick-Off -- Wednesday, May 31st, 5:30-7:30**

From classic tabletop games to video games and more, kids (rising K-6th grade) will play their way through VBS while learning that Jesus guides them through all the twists and turns of life. And even when we mess up, it's never "game over." *Following Jesus changes the game!*

Supplies Needed Now:

- large flat TV box or appliance box for life-size Operation Game
- 30 twelve-pack soft drink boxes (relatively intact) for Giant Jenga