

PRELUDE
WELCOME AND GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS
LITANY FOR MOTHER’S DAY

Faithful God, our provider who watches over us, for those women in our lives who model your love;
we thank you God for the life and care they give.

For those who have raised us, given of themselves for us, for those women who have nurtured us as their own;
we thank you God for their selfless love.

For mothers who have since passed, for whom none may replace, for those women whose faces were the first we ever learned and loved;
we thank you God for the ways they continue to speak.

For mothers to be and those who are expecting, for those who have only begun their new life;
give them strength and wisdom for the way ahead.

For mothers who work in a profession and who work in the home, for the challenges and snares their own mothers never imagined;
give them fortitude and confidence in your presence.

For mothers whose children have grown and left their home, for those who witness their children face triumph and defeat;
give them purpose and a sense of self-worth.

For mothers who have lost their child through death, for those who have longed to be mothers but cannot, for those who suffer hame, emptiness, and loss;
give them hope and support in their grief.

For mothers who are unable to provide and nurture, for those who have not acknowledged their children;
give them healing and hope for tomorrow.

As a loving mother watches over her children, you watch over us now,
help us to be your Church to all of these women, we pray.

Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

For the Beauty of the Earth” **92**

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 4
For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;
Refrain

OPENING PRAYER
A TIME TO SING

“Happy the Home When God Is There” **445**

Verse 1
Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every breast; when one their wish and one their prayer, and one their heavenly rest.

Verse 4
Lord, let us in our homes agree this blessed peace to gain; unite our hearts in love to thee, and love to all will reign.

“You Are My All in All”

Verse 1
You are my strength when I am weak, You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my all in all. Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my all in all!

Verse 2
Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, Rising again I bless Your name, You are my all in all. When I fall down You pick me up When I am dry You fill my cup. You are my all in all

Refrain
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name, Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name

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 forever. Amen.

ANTHEM “One Day at a Time”
Halle Wilson, Kate Gilcreast, Natalie Hurd

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Peter 3:13-17

SERMON “Get Real!” Rev. Brian Coplin

INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

“How Firm a Foundation” **529**

Verse 1
How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Verse 3
“When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

Verse 5
“The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.”

“The Apostles’ Creed” **881**
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.

Kathy Alford (Donna Ammons' friend)
Donna Ammons
I.D. Bostian
Carrie Broussard
Chuck Boudreaux
Jiles Bowling
Gale Byles
Beth Coplin (Rev. Brian's mom)
Our pastor and family
Brian, Monica, Jack & Anna Claire Coplin
Duncan, Laura & Alora Craft
(Cheryl Wooley's son, daughter-in-law & granddaughter)
Jason & Diane Davis (Amanda Lambert's nephew & niece)
Brianna Damron
Janet Elam
Donna Ellzey
Charles Enterkin
Greg Everett
Family of 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
Tyler Mason (Ted & Carolyn Dove's great-grandson)
Patsy McCormick
Bonnie Fox Miles
Buck & Ginger Phillips (Carolyn Gates' brother & sister-in-law)
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 AND ANNIVERSARIES

Nancy Spiller Claire Henry

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 14

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

Monday, May 15

4:30 p.m. - Back to School Rally Meeting- FH
6:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FLC

Tuesday, May 16

10:00 am. - Preschool Graduation- Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. - Lion's Club

Wednesday, May 17

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

Thursday, May 18

7:00 a.m. - Bible Study Jonah Grace from the Deep
at Taqueria Conchitas(Old Dairy Queen building)

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

Little Food Pantry

Thank you for all your donations. This has resulted in a good supply of canned vegetables and soup on hand. Suggested donations for May: peanut butter, packaged tuna or chicken, Vienna sausage, pull top pasta meals, fruit cups, pudding cups, breakfast bars or similar items. These items are helpful to people who are unable to prepare or cook food for whatever reason. Cathy and Kristie



First United Methodist Church
Many, Louisiana

May 14, 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

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

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