

Prelude	
Greeting and Announcements	
Call to Worship	
“We Sing of Your Glory”	2011
Verse 1 We sing of your glory, we praise you again, for you are eternal. Amen. Amen.	
Verse 2 We sing of your power and honor again, for you are eternal. Amen. Amen.	
Opening Prayer	
A Time to Sing	
“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart	160
Verse 1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.	
Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.	
Verse 5 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore.	
Refrain	
“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”	462
Verse 1 “Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word; just to rest upon his promise, and to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”	
Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!	
Verse 4 I’m so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, friend; and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.	
Refrain	

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	“Spirit, Sing”	Martin
Scripture		Matthew 18:21-35
Sermon	“The Cost of Forgiveness”	Rev. Brian Coplin
Invitation to Commitment		
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”		384
Verse 1 Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.		
Verse 2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest. Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.		
Verse 4 Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.		

“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

To keep our Prayer List current, we plan to RE-SET it at the beginning of every month. If you know someone who needs to be placed on or remain on the prayer list for another month, please call the church office at 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.

Sandra Bishop
Juliane Boudreaux
David Cox (Linda Boudreaux’s brother)
Jason & Diane Davis (Amanda Lambert’s cousins)
Jason Fluitt
Family of Grace Kelsey
Bobbie Kratz
Judy Boudreaux Jones (Chuck Boudreaux’s sister)
Jerry Lee (Louis Lee’s father)
Tyler Mason (Ted & Carolyn Dove’s great grandson)
Buck Phillips (Carolyn Gates’ brother-in-law)

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Bret Courtney

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, September 17
8:30 a.m. - Coffee Time - FLC
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, September 18
6:00 p.m. - Work Meeting - Ultreya- FH
6:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts -FLC

Tuesday, September 19

12:00 p.m. - Lions Club

Wednesday, September 20

5:30 p.m. - Pre K - 4th grade

5:30 p.m. - Youth - FLC

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice



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.

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.



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Many, Louisiana
September 17, 2023

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