



First Baptist Surfside

September 26, 2024 Newsletter

In Matthew 28, Jesus gives his final words to his disciples before he ascends to heaven. Typically, someone's departing words indicate what is important to them. Here we see that at the very heart of our Lord is for the church to, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20).

Jesus calls us to not stay in our churches but calls us to go and reach all nations with the gospel. The last I checked, this is not called the great suggestion, but the Great Commission. That means if we as a church stop at just reaching those in our church or even our community for Jesus we are in disobedience. God calls us to reach the Grand Strand, The United States, Egypt, Russia, and China for him.

Certainly, that is a task much greater than just First Baptist Surfside. That is a task for all believers. However, what does it look like for us to go? It looks like us being faithful to use the resources God has given us to accomplish his mission in the most effective way we can. We may not reach millions for Christ, but we can come alongside of mission partners nationally and internationally to assist them in the work they are doing.

This coming Monday, a small team from our church and association will be going on a vision trip to NYC. Our goal is to meet with several church planters in hopes of establishing at least one mission partner in the city. Our hope is to find a church that we can support through prayer, providing financial support, and even participating in what God is doing through sending mission teams.

Would you pray for us as we go next week? Would you pray for safety, but more than anything that we would be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading?

In Christ,

Pastor Nathan

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

- 9:00 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
- 10:30 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
- 4:00 PM: Choir Practice
- 5:00 PM: Students
- 5:00 PM: Surfside Kids
- 5:30 PM: Adults

Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study/Breakfast at Bob Evans
- 6:00 PM: Celebrate Recovery

Wednesdays

- 10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting

Small Groups Meet Throughout the Week at Various Locations

Upcoming Schedule

Friday, September 27

- 1:00 PM: Food Bank

Saturday, October 5

- 10:00 AM: Surfside Beach Family Festival

Sunday, October 13

- 11:45 AM: Discover Lunch (for New and Prospective Members)

Saturday, October 19

- 2:00 PM Ladies Candle Painting

Sunday, October 20

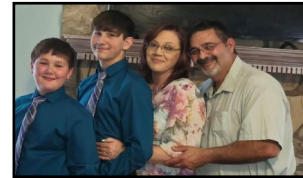
- 11:45 AM: Mission Fund Raiser Lunch

Thursday, October 31

- 6:00 PM: Fall Festival

Welcome New Members!

Please join us as we welcome David, Costa, Melissa and Nick Koullias to our First Baptist Church family.



New Member Commissioning

We believe that the Bible emphasizes the importance of church membership. On Sunday November 3, we would like to present all of our new members to the church. If you have begun the membership process but have not been presented to the church, please contact the church office or Pastor Nathan.

Sunday's Worship Guide

"Genesis: Foundation For Life" Wrestling With God; Genesis 32:1-32

- I. The Struggle (22-24a)
- II. The Opponents (24b-25)
- III. The Victory (26-32)

Town of Surfside Beach Fall Festival

Saturday, October 5 10-4 PM



First Baptist Surfside is having a booth at the Surfside Beach Fall Festival, October 5 from 10-4. Come by and visit us as we reach out to our community and invite them to visit our church.



Sunday, October 13

11:45 AM

Fellowship Hall

For new and prospective members.
Call the office to reserve your spot.



Ladies Candle Painting

Saturday, October 19 at 2:00 PM

Calling all ladies! Come join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship as we paint candles!

RSVP to Lizzy Baker by 10/13



Mission Team Fundraiser, Sunday October 20

The Mission Team Fundraiser is Sunday, October 20th at 11:45 AM. A donation of \$10 per plate is recommended. Plates are pre-ordered and take-out only. The menu is fried chicken, green beans, potato salad, roll and dessert. See a Mission Team member to sign-up.



Abigail's Closet Wish and Supply Needs

In support of the Coastline Women's Center Abigail's Place, we will be collecting the following items over the next few weeks. Bring donated items to the church lobby or office. They're also in need of volunteers if anyone is interested: front desk & advocates that help facilitate the classes & help disciple the moms. You are paired with a woman and will see them every week, so you get to know them well. They also need volunteers who speak Spanish.

Wish List and Supply Needs

Boys and girls clothes (size 12 month up to 4T)

Diapers - size 4, 5 & 6 (Pampers, please)

Baby soap, shampoo & lotion

Diaper rash cream

Bottles (must be new)

Bottle brushes

Sippy cups (must be new)

Thermometers

Nasal items

Baby wipes

Boo-Boo Ice Packs

Car Seats (must be new)

Baby toys

Baby Bathtub

Baby Bouncer Chair

Booster Seat

Tummy Time Play Mat

Pack-n-Play

Stroller

Children's Books - English & Spanish

Assembling Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes



We have 200 shoeboxes to assemble in preparation for Operation Christmas Child. If you would like to help with this ministry please meet Monday, September 30 from 9-11 AM in the lobby. If you have any questions see Clelia Nixon. All help is greatly appreciated!

FALL FESTIVAL

October 31 from 6PM - 8PM
Admission is FREE!

GAMES | PRIZES | CANDY

Click [here](#) to register!

Volunteers and Candy Needed!

Surfside Community Ministry Food Bank

2nd and 4th Fridays at 1:00 PM

Pantry Needs (Non Perishable Items)

Please do NOT bring outdated items!

Jelly

Bread/Buns

Mustard or Mayo

Ketchup

Relish

Crackers

Canned Meat

Snacks

Drinks

Boxed Rice (NO BAGS)

Instant Mashed Potatoes

Canned Fruits