We live in a fast-paced world. We are running 90mph in every direction, every day. Often in the busyness of life we do not take time to build deep and meaningful relationships. This only compounds the problem; now we are tired and lonely. If only there was a way to take time to slow down and reset during the week, while building Christ-centered community. If that is something you are looking for, look no further!

One of the highlights of my week is Small Group. My group meets on Wednesday nights and is made up of younger adults. What a blessing it is in the middle of the week to gather in a home with like-minded believers in the same season of life. Together we laugh, we cry, and we encourage each other. It is encouraging to find that others are struggling with the same thing in life as you and that God is working in their life. What a blessing it is to know you are not alone, that you have people you can call anytime.

The best part of the night is when we open the Word of God together. We study the Word with the goal of living out our faith. It is a beautiful picture as we discuss God's Word sitting around a living room, drinking coffee while kids play in the middle of the floor.

If you are not a part of a small group, here is your official invitation! We have 14 adult small groups that meet throughout the week. We have a variety of groups that cater to specific ages and seasons of life. They meet at different times; some meet at church, some in homes. Simply, there is a group for you!

If you would like to find a small group visit our webpage by clicking here, call the church office, or stop by our Connect Wall on Sunday.

In Christ,

Pastor Nathan

### Sunday's Worship Guide

"Genesis: Foundation For Life" Idols To Altars; Genesis 35

- Tear Down Your Idols (1-4)
- II. Build Altars Of Worship (5-15)
- III. What Idols Are You Holding On To? (16-29)

#### 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**

#### Saturday, October 19

2:00 PM Ladies Candle Painting

#### Sunday, October 20

11:45 AM: Mission Fund Raiser Lunch

#### Friday, October 25

1:00 PM: Food Pantry

#### Sunday, October 27

11:45 AM: Training for all Fall Festival Volunteers

#### Thursday, October 31 6:00 PM: Fall Festival Wednesday, November 6

6:00 PM: Church Conference

#### Saturday, November 9

8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast

10:30 AM: wMu

Saturday, November 16

4:00 PM: Surfside Seniors Event

#### Sunday, November 17

Vote on 2025 Proposed Budget and Deacons

### Wednesday, November 6 Church Conference 6:00 PM

2025 Budget Discussion and Vote on 2025 Nominating Report

## **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.



## 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!





## 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.



## Abagail's Closet Wish and Supply Needs

In support of the Coastline Women's Center Abagail's Place, we will be collecting the following items over the next few weeks. Bring donated items and place them in the pack and plays in the church.

#### Wish List and Supply Needs

Boys and girls clothes (size 12 month 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

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due November 17**



It is simple, get a shoebox from the lobby, fill it and return it by Sunday, Nov. 17. Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to

children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever!



## FALL FESTIMAL

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

GAMES | PRIZES | CANDY Click here to register!

**Volunteers and Candy Needed!** 

Sunday, October 27 at 11:45 AM (in the Sanctuary)
Training for All Fall Festival Volunteers

## **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**



In an effort to increase our giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for international missions the wMu is organizing a "make and take" the first two Sundays in December. **Men** and **Women** are encouraged to use their "giftedness" in creating homemade articles for others to take,

giving their offering to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in return for the articles they choose. We're giving you a heads up now so you can have time to create homemade items. More information will come as we get closer to December. Questions see Jeanne Eckert



# 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 Spaghetti sauce Boxed rice Bottled juice Canned fruit Soup Canned veggies (no corn/green beans)
Canned meat (SPAM, chicken, etc)

d rice Crackers Boxed or canned milk ed juice Noodles Instant mashed potatoes



**Surfside Seniors Event Saturday, November 16 from 4-6** 

Thank You! Shelby Perrit would like to thank everyone for the prayers for her son. He is home and recovering.