



First Baptist Surfside

January 9, 2025 Newsletter

I am continually blessed by how God is working in our church. Last year we saw our church take great strides in getting outside the four walls of our church to engage our community with the gospel. One way we did that was to begin partnering with New Directions.

New Directions is an organization that seeks to help those recovering from homelessness. It provides three different shelters for men, women, and women with families. WMBF news wrote an article recently that said last year New Directions assisted over 1,400 people. That was a record number, up 200 people from the previous year alone. According to the New Directions website tonight, over 800 people will be homeless in Horry County.

Last year God began to stir in the hearts of our people that God placed First Baptist Surfside here to be a part of the solution. We have a team of people who once a month go into two shelters to provide meals. The purpose is to help those that are in a difficult season of life, but more so it is to build relationships for the purpose of sharing the gospel. We have already seen how God is accomplishing just that through this outreach.

One of the volunteers shared how she loved being able to provide a meal over Christmas. She went on to say that what blessed her even more was being able to sing happy birthday to Jesus with the children and providing a Bible to a 16-year-old. She said, "All the glory goes to God who has opened the doors for us to minister to those previous families in need of His love."

Would you pray about how God might want you to be a part of reaching this community for the gospel?

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, January 10

- 1:00 PM: Food Pantry

Saturday, January 11

- 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast
- 10:30 AM: wMu

Sunday, January 12

- New Member Commissioning
- Sunday Evening Activities Resume

Wednesday, January 15

- 3:00 PM: NHC

Sunday, January 19

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

Friday, January 24

- 1:00 PM: Food Pantry

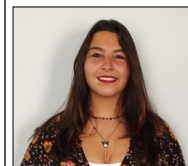
Saturday, February 22

- 6:00 PM: Father-Daughter Dance

Wednesday, February 26

- 6:00 PM: Church Conference

Welcome New Member!



Please join us in welcoming
Alex Rodriguez
to our
First Baptist Church family.

Sunday's Worship Guide

**Unashamed Of The Gospel
Set Apart By The Gospel, For The Gospel
Romans 1:1-7**

- I. Paul Is Writing The Church At Rome (1, 7)
- II. For The Sake Of The Gospel (2-4)
- III. To Be Declared Among The Nations (5-6)

New Member Commissioning

We believe that the Bible emphasizes the importance of church membership. On Sunday **February 9**, we will 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.



All Sunday Evening Activities Resume Sunday, January 12



DISCOVER FBC SURFSIDE

NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Discover Lunch
For New and Prospective Members
Sunday, January 19 at 11:45 AM
Call the office to reserve your spot!



Surfside Kids Father-Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 22

6-8 PM Dinner Provided

Ages 2 to 5th Grade

Limited space available.

Click [here](#) to register by February 8.



Church Conference

Wednesday, February 26 at 6 PM



HUGG Ministry

The HUGG Ministry (Home Under God's Grace) is a ministry to reach out to those who are unable to attend church, can't attend as often as they would like and others as determined. Through the HUGG ministry, the person receives a touch of love letter, cards, calls, texts, or monthly visits. They are provided the *Daily Bread* and *Open Windows*. Also, there are volunteers who pray for them daily. If you know of someone who could benefit from being in the HUGG group or you would like to volunteer this year to help with the ministry, please get in touch with John and Ellen Ellis or the office.

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Save the Date

Surfside Kids Teachers and Volunteer
Training Saturday, March 15
More Information Soon



Save the Date
Vacation Bible School
Wonder Junction
June 8-12 6-8 PM

FOOD
Pantry



Surfside Community Ministry Food Pantry

2nd and 4th Fridays at 1 PM

Pantry Needs (Non Perishable Items)

Please do NOT bring outdated items!

Boxed rice
Bottled juice
Canned fruit

Crackers
Jelly
Noodles

Spaghetti Sauce
Soup
Boxed or canned milk

Canned veggies
Canned meat (SPAM, chicken, etc.)
Instant mashed potatoes

