



First Baptist Surfside

May 12, 2022 Newsletter

Recently my firefighter son participated in a large funeral for a police officer killed in the line of duty. This officer was also a volunteer firefighter and EMT, so police officers, firefighters and EMTs from all over South Carolina came together to pay tribute to this officer who gave his life responding to a domestic dispute. The minister officiating the memorial service clearly presented the gospel of Christ along with an invitation to accept Christ as Savior and Lord. The procession to the gravesite with police cars and motorcycles, fire engines and ambulances, created a very long procession, ending with a helicopter flyover. Although all knew the circumstances surrounding this young man's tragic ending, most did not know the officer personally. It did not matter. And it did not matter what the attendees' religious affiliations, political affiliations, race, status, or anything else were. A K-9 officer/firefighter/EMT gave the ultimate sacrifice, and all were there to pay honor to him.

When my son was telling me the story, I was reminded of 1 Corinthians 12 where Paul wrote that God has given us wonderfully diverse gifts that are meant to benefit the whole church family. There is to be no division, but equal concern and honor for each other. If one part suffers, we are all suffering. If one part is honored, every one of us is to rejoice with it. When Paul wrote about showing the most excellent way, it was the segue into 1 Corinthians 13, the familiar love chapter. That chapter ends with "Now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." I think sometimes we emphasize what our faith is and what we believe in. We emphasize hope when we pray for those suffering. But love that God wants from us goes beyond that. It is kind. It does not envy. It is not easily angered. It doesn't keep records of wrongs. It always protects, trusts, hopes, and perseveres. God's kind of love is meant to be endless, over and over setting our own selves aside for the good of others. Let's remember that a world is watching us and listening to us. Do we represent God well? Do our actions and our words give honor and tribute to the One who willingly paid the most ultimate sacrifice in dying so that we might live?

Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You
"You are My King" by Chris Tomlin

Kathleen Gambrell
Worship Leader

Sunday's Worship Guide

James: Faith Under Fire
False Faith; James 2:14-19

- I. True Faith Saves (14)
- II. True Faith Serves (15-17)
- III. True Faith Secures (18)
- IV. True Faith Surrenders (19)

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

- 9:00 AM: Worship Service & Sunday School
- 10:30 AM: Worship Service & Sunday School

Sunday Evenings

- 4:00 PM: Choir Practice
- 5:30 PM: Surfside Kids, Youth

Mondays

- 11:00 AM: Grief Care

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

- 10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting

Thursdays

- 10:00 AM: Faith Class

Upcoming Schedule

Sunday, May 15

- 11:45 AM: Nursery Workers Mtg. in Kids Room
- 5:30 PM: Youth Game Night

Wednesday, May 18

- 3:00 PM: NHC Devotional

Sunday, May 22

- 11:45 AM: VBS Volunteers Training
- 5:30 PM: Church Connect Celebrating Kathleen

Wednesday, May 25

- 6:00 PM: Prayer Walk for VBS

Friday, May 27

- 9:00 AM: WeeSchool Graduation

Sunday, May 29

- No Evening Activities

Monday, May 30

- Church Office Closed

Saturday, June 4

- 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast
- 10:30 AM: wMu
- 12:00 PM: Young Adults Bowling (Market Common)

June 5-9

- 6:00 PM: Vacation Bible School

Friday, June 10

- 11:00 AM: Memorial Service for Norman Glenn

Tuesday, June 14

- 3:00 PM: Devotion at St. Gabriel

Wednesday, June 15

- 3:00 PM: Devotion at NHC

Sunday, June 26

- 11:45 AM: Discover Lunch

Welcome New Member

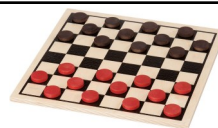
Please join us in welcoming Debbie Richardson to our First Baptist Church family.



Sunday, May 15 at 11:45 AM
Nursery Worker's Meeting in the Kid's Room



Sunday, May 15 at 5:30 PM
Youth Game Night



Sunday, May 22 at 11:45 AM
VBS Volunteers Training
in the Sanctuary



Church Connect Celebrating Kathleen
Sunday, May 22
5:30 PM

Reception for Kathleen Gambrell, food, inflatables,
and an evening of fun and fellowship!



Saturday, June 4: 12-2 PM
Young Adults Bowling at Market Commons



Vacation Bible School: June 5-9
6:00-8:00 PM Ages 3 to 5th grade

G'Day Mate! Are you ready for the trip of a lifetime
as we zoom off to Australia for VBS 2022?

At Zoomerang, you'll marvel at the unforgettable wildlife, culture, and beauty of Australia while exploring the wonder and value of life, from the lives of preborn babies to eternal life in the kingdom of God. During this VBS, kids will discover that life is valuable. From the tiniest to the oldest, each person is made in the image of God - wonderfully designed to know him and live for him! Grab your sunnies and your mates and get ready for a fair dinkum time at Zoomerang!

Click [here](#) to register.

2022-23
BUDGET

2022-2023 Budget Requests

It is time for committees, coordinators, and ministry teams to start thinking about their budget requests for the 2022-2023. Please submit a written detail request to the Finance Committee by Sunday, June 19.

DISCOVER
FBC / SURFSIDE

NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Sunday, June 26
11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Call the church office to reserve your spot and order lunch.