



First Baptist Surfside

June 30, 2022 Newsletter

There are times that we all face temptations to be just like the Pharisees: legalistic and self-righteous. There are two ways to think about legalism as it pertains to the Christian life. First, some can be legalistic about salvation, or justification. This is the idea that salvation is earned, that you must do X, Y, or Z in order to be justified. "Yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law, but through faith in Jesus Christ." (Galatians 2:16) I think most of us don't need a lot of convincing to agree with this. We know that salvation is a gift of God, it is all by His grace. Jesus accomplished all that was needed for salvation on our behalf and it is freely offered as a gracious gift to those who humbly receive it by faith.

The second way that people can be legalistic is when we talk about sanctification. Sanctification is becoming more and more like Jesus. However, some people erroneously have the notion that we are saved by the grace of God but that after we become a Christian then it is all up to us to become holy. Just pull yourself up by your bootstraps and be like Jesus! It's not hard - just do it!

There is a truth in Scripture that I did not learn until several years after I became a follower of Jesus, but this truth radically impacted my walk with the Lord. The truth is this: the Gospel of Jesus Christ is not just for the salvation of unbelievers, it is also for the sanctification of believers.

The apostle Paul asks the question in Galatians 3:3, "Having begun by the Spirit, will you now be perfected by the flesh?" In other words, you couldn't save yourself but God did, so do you really think that you can become more like Christ on your own? We cannot fight sin in our own strength. We cannot produce the fruit of the Spirit in our own strength, either. This is why Jesus said "I am the Vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." This means that we need Jesus each and every day in order to be more like Him. To pursue Jesus is to pursue our own holiness, so rest each day in His power to produce the fruit of the Spirit in you.

Praying for you today!

Pastor Adam

Sunday's Worship Guide

James Under Fire Wasted Wealth; James 5:1-6

- I. Warning To The Wealthy (1)
- II. Worship Of Wealth (2-3)
- III. Wasted Wealth (4-6)

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

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

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, July 3

- 10:30 AM: Baptism
- No Evening Activities

Monday, July 4

- Holiday: Church Office Closed

Tuesday, July 5

- 11:00 AM: Grief Care

Wednesday, July 6

- 6:00 PM: SC Mission Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, July 9

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

Sunday, July 10

- Move Up Sunday
- 5:30 PM: Youth Summer Palooza Fun and Games
- Kids Pool Party at the home of Wayne and Mica Pruitt

Tuesday, July 12

- 3:00 PM: Devotion at St. Gabriel

July 17-22

- South Carolina Mission Trip

Wednesday, July 20

- 3:00 PM: Devotion at NHC

Wednesday, July 27

- 6:00 PM: Quarterly Church Conference
- First Reading of 2022-23 Budget

Sunday, July 31

- 5:30 PM: Churchwide Ice Cream Social



Grief Care Ministry

Grief Care begins Tuesday, July 5, at 11:00 AM in Room 102. After that, they will meet on Mondays at 11:00 for six weeks. Leaders are Lee and Shirley Ritchey.

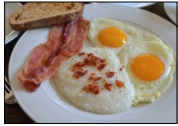
Food Bank

Grand Strand Community Church, has started a community food bank and has a low supply. For the next few weeks we will be redirecting our food collection to them. If you feel you can help with this ministry, please drop your nonperishable food items by the office and someone will be glad to deliver it.

Sunday Evening Schedule Through August

Date	Event	Date	Event
7/3	July 4 (no evening activities)	7/31	Churchwide Ice Cream Social
7/10	5:30 PM Youth Summer Palooza 5:30 PM Kids Pool Party at the Pruitt home	8/7	Night of Worship
7/17	Mission Trip (no evening activities)	8/14	Ocean Baptism
7/24	Mission Trip Recovery (no evening activities)	8/21	Fall Semester Begins

Men's Monthly Breakfast July 9



This is a wonderful opportunity of getting to know other men in our church family. It is a time for devotion, good food, fellowship, and conversation with others. Our next breakfast is Saturday, July 9 at 8:00 AM in the fellowship hall. We welcome new faces, so please come join us and bring a friend! Contact Jimmy Troublefield for more information.



Move Up Sunday

Sunday, July 10

Children and youth move up
to their next age/level groups



Youth Summer Palooza

Sunday, July 10

5:30 PM (at the church)
Evening of fun and games



Pool Party for FBC Children and their Families

Sunday, July 10 at 5:30 PM (Home of Wayne & Mica Pruitt)

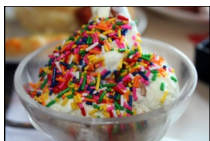
Bring: Appropriate swimwear and towel
Dinner not provided, bring a dessert to share



Quarterly Church Conference

Wednesday, July 27 at 6:00 PM

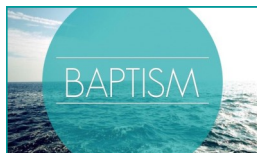
First reading of the 2022-23 Proposed Budget



Churchwide Ice Cream Social

Sunday, July 31 at 5:30 PM

(Ice Cream and Toppings Furnished)



Ocean Baptism

Sunday, August 14 at 5:30 PM

Location: At the end of 16th Avenue N
Call the church if you are interested in being baptized

SAVE THE DATE

Fall Semester Begins

Sunday, August 21

More Information to Come!