



First Baptist Surfside

September 29, 2022 Newsletter

"When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" (Matthew 9:36-37)

Jesus did not just look at the crowds, *He saw them*. He saw them! He saw them for who and what they truly were: sinners who were broken and marred by sin, sinners who could not save themselves, sinners who were lost without the Chief Shepherd.

This compelled Jesus to have compassion on them! I wonder if sometimes the church becomes more angry over seeing the world's sin rather than being broken over them. As long as we are repulsed by the world, we will not have compassion on them like Jesus did. There's a term for that - self-righteousness!

We were once harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd, until Jesus had compassion on us, saved us and redeemed us. When we realize that all people are just as helpless as we are, it compels us to have compassion on them.

Unfortunately, the enemy has deceived many believers into believing that God helps those who help themselves. Therefore, the laborers are few. But there is hope for us in this text! He tells us to pray! Prayer aligns our heart with God's heart, so when we pray for God to send laborers, we can't help but think, "maybe God wants to send me!"

Let me go ahead and tell you, He does want to send you! "As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." (John 20:21) When you look at the world, see them in the same way Jesus sees them: harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Have compassion on them, and lead them to the Good Shepherd who can redeem them.

Pastor Adam
Youth and Young Adults Pastor

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

9:00 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
10:30 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
4:00 PM: Choir
5:00 PM: Youth
5:30 PM: Surfside Kids, Adults

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting and Psalms Study

**Small Groups Meet Throughout the Week
at Various Locations**

Upcoming Schedule

Saturday, October 1

8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast
10:30 AM: wMu (Guest Speaker: Melissa Cloer)

Sunday, October 9

11:45 AM: Discover Lunch for New and
Prospective Members

Monday, October 17

11:00 AM: Grief Care Ministry Room 102

Sunday, October 23

11:45 AM: Mission Fund Raiser Lunch

Wednesday, October 26

6:00 PM: Quarterly Church Conference

Friday, October 28

6:00 PM: Fall Festival



Mollie Owens

100th Birthday Celebration

Ms. Mollie Owens will celebrate her 100th birthday Sat., Oct. 8. You are invited to come by Inlet Oaks between 1-2 to visit and share birthday cake. No gifts! A basket will be provided for cards. If you can join the celebration contact John Ellis by Oct. 1. Email: 19rrll64@gmail.com or call 843.957.5103.

Sunday's Worship Guide

"That You May Know"

Test #3: New Desires; 1 John 2:7-17

- I. Our New Love For Jesus... (7-11)
- II. That Comes From The Love Of Jesus... (12-14)
- III. ...Changes Our Love Of The World (15-17)

Thank You!

Thank you for the basket of treats! The goodies were a great "pick me up" for our staff. We appreciate all you do for our Saint James Elementary family.—Amy Lester, School Counselor.

Sunday Nights

Adult
Equip 2 Engage
Evangelism Training

Youth
Grades 6-12
Gospel of John

Surfside Kids
Nursery—5th Grade
Kids Love Jesus

Saturday, October 1



Men's Breakfast
8:00 AM



wMu
10:30 AM

Melissa Cloer, Georgette Jones' daughter and IMB missionary, will be the guest speaker and share her experiences with us!



Sunday, October 9
11:45 AM: Fellowship Hall



Grief Care Ministry Begins October 17

The Grief Care Ministry, led by Lee and Shirley Ritchey, begins Monday, October 17 at 11:00 AM in Room 102. This 6 week program is designed to support people after the loss of a loved one. Anyone is encouraged to join us.



Haiti Mission Fundraiser October 23

Our Mission Fundraiser lunch is Sunday, October 23rd following the 10:30 worship service. 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. To sign up [click here](#) or see Vic Larsen or any member of the Mission Committee.



Good News Club Volunteers Needed!

Share Jesus Christ at St. James Elementary School!

Tuesdays 2:15—3:45 PM October 25—December 13
See Lindsay Steelman for more details.



Quarterly Church Conference
Wednesday, October 26
6:00 PM



Fall Festival

Friday, October 28

600 Pounds of Candy, Small Gifts for Prizes
and Many Volunteers Needed!



The Mission Team is collecting **scarves, hats and gloves** to take to the children and adults when they go to New York. Drop your items by the office or place them in the mission box in the lobby.



Volunteer Needed!

We are working with the Town of Surfside to make Cherry Dr (that runs through our campus) safer. To start the process we need to do a road study to determine the number of cars that pass through. We are looking for volunteers to simply come for 2 hour blocks, sit, and count how many cars come through that stretch. This is a simple but very important way to serve our church. If interested in the next 2-3 weeks please call the office or email info@fbcsurfside.org.