



First Baptist Surfside

November 17, 2022 Newsletter

This week we will be concluding our ten-week journey through the book of 1 John. John writes to answer the most important question you will ever answer. A question many Christians struggle to answer. How do you know that you are saved? How do you know you are truly a Christian? In 1 John 5:13, John writes, "I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life" (ESV). John gives a series of ten questions, by which, believers can examine their faith to see if they are truly born again. Let me challenge you today, to take time to truly examine your faith today by these questions:

1. Do you believe the one true gospel? (1 John 1:1-4)
2. Has your new relationship with God led to a new relationship with sin? (1 John 1:5-2:6)
3. Has the gospel transformed your life? Are your outward actions changing? Are your desires, loves, and affections changing? (1 John 2:7-17)
4. Are you persevering in your faith? (1 John 2:18-27)
5. Are you looking more like your heavenly father? (1 John 2:28-3:10)
6. Are you loving more like your heavenly father? (1 John 3:11-23)
7. Is the Holy Spirit keeping you in truth? (1 John 3:24 -4:6)
8. Have you experienced true love? Are you loving others that way? (1 John 4:7-21)
9. Is there a noticeable difference between you and those who don't claim to be Christians? (1 John 5:1-12)
10. Does the Word of God in 1 John give you assurance? (1 John 5:13-21)

Today if you are in Christ, these areas may not be perfect, but you will see God working in your life. If that is you today, rejoice in your salvation and rest in the assurance that you are in Christ! If these questions do not give assurance, then what is keeping you from surrendering your life to Christ? Today, wherever you are stop what you are doing and cry out to God. Confess your sins to him ask him to save you. Surrender your life to him that you may know that you have eternal life!

Hope to see you Sunday!

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
- 5:00 PM: Youth
- 5:30 PM: Surfside Kids, Adults

Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study at Bob Evans
- 2:15 PM: Good News Club
- 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

Sunday, November 20

- Angel Tree Displayed in the Lobby
- 5:30 PM: Missionary Ann Nagy, Guest Speaker

Wednesday, November 23

- Office Closed: No Wednesday Prayer Meeting

Thursday, November 24

- Thanksgiving Holiday: Office Closed

Sunday, November 27

- Observance of the Lord's Supper
- No Evening Activities

December 1-4

- New York Mission Trip

Saturday, December 3

- 10:30 AM: wMu

Friday, December 9

- 6:00 PM: Birthday Party for Jesus

Saturday, December 10

- 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast

Sunday, December 11

- Angel Tree Gifts Due
- 4:00 PM: Christmas Caroling to Shut-ins

Tuesday, December 13

- 3:00 PM: St. Gabriel Devotion

Sunday, December 18

- 6:00 PM: Christmas Candlelight Service

Wednesday, December 21

- 3:00 PM: NHC Devotion

Sunday, December 25

- 10:00 AM: One Worship Service (No Small Groups)

Sunday, January 1

- 10:00 AM: One Worship Service (No Small Groups)

Sunday's Worship Guide

"That You May Know"

Test #10 Do You Know?; 1 John 5:13-21

- I. Know The Source Of Life (13)
- II. Know The Purpose Of Life (14-17)
- III. Know Your Identity In Life (18-19)
- IV. Know True Joy In Life (20-21)

Thank you!

We collected 147 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Thank you for sharing the good news of Jesus in the form of a simple gift!



Join Us Sunday, November 20, at 5:30 PM

As Missionary, Ann Nagy, Speaks



Angel Tree Ready November 20

It's easy to put a smile on a face of a child in need this Christmas. Our Angel tree will be set up in the church lobby Sunday, November 20. We have 12 children and a total of 101 angels on the tree. It's simple! Just pick your Angel(s), purchase the item(s) listed, and return the unwrapped gift to the office by Sunday, December 11. We appreciate your participation of spreading the love of Jesus and please remember to pray for your Angel.

Saturday, December 3

Saturday, December 10



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10:30 AM**



**Men's Breakfast
8:00 AM**



**Come and Celebrate
God's Greatest Gift—Jesus**

Friday, December 9th at 6 PM

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

A Special Play, Games, Music, Prizes and Cake

Click [here](#) to register

VOLUNTEER

**Volunteers Needed for Birthday Party for Jesus!
Please see Lindsay Steelman**



**Christmas
Caroling**

Come Join Us!

Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 PM

Christmas Caroling to the Shut-ins

Afterwards we will return to the church for a light meal and a time of fellowship.



Christmas Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 18

6:00 PM



Save the Dates

Sunday, December 11, 4:00 PM: Churchwide Christmas Caroling to Shut-ins

Sunday, December 18, 6:00 PM: Christmas Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 25, 10:00 AM: One Christmas Worship Service (No Small Groups)

December 26-29: Office Closed

Sunday, January 1, 10:00 AM: One Worship Service (No Small Groups)