



First Baptist Surfside

February 23, 2023 Newsletter

When did God create the angels? How old will we be when we are in heaven? How did Noah get all those animals to come to the ark?

There are all kinds of questions that we do not have answers to. I'm sure you have plenty of other questions about the Bible that will remain unanswered. But here is a question for you to consider: Do you need to know? For questions like the ones listed above, we might like to have answers to them so that we can satisfy our curiosity, but we don't need them.

There are other questions in life that we do need answers to. Who is God? Who am I? What is my purpose in life? What happens to me when I die? How can I be sure? These are the kinds of questions that Scripture answers for us.

But there are some out there who might object: "Well, that's just your interpretation of the Bible! No one knows what the Bible really means!" This is false.

God has revealed himself in such a way that we are able to understand him. God has spoken to us in a language that we can understand. This does not mean that there are not passages in Scripture that are hard to understand—there certainly are! What it means is that you do not need to be a scholar to understand God's Word.

In Deuteronomy 30, Moses is finishing a really long sermon on the Law of God, and in verses 11-14, he tells the nation of Israel that the Word of God that he just shared with them "is not too hard for you, neither is it far off." In other words, "I didn't make it complicated, it's pretty simple to understand."

Likewise, in Nehemiah 8:8, Ezra and other priests read passages of the Bible to the people and then explained it, "so that the people understood the reading." No one debated the interpretation of it! Instead, the meaning of the Word of God was clear to all the people.

God speaks to be heard. God's Word tells us plainly and clearly everything that we need to know in order to live a life that brings glory to God. The answer is simple: trust and obey! "The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man." (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

Pastor Adam

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
5:30 PM: Adults E2E

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

Sunday, March 5

Observance of the Lord's Supper

Saturday, March 11

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

Wednesday, March 15

3:00 PM: NHC Devotion

Saturday, March 18

4:00 PM: March Madness for Senior Adults

Tuesday, March 21

3:00 PM: St. Gabriel Devotion

Friday, March 24

6:00 PM: 2nd Annual Chili Cook-off

Wednesday, March 29

6:00 PM: Quarterly Church Conference

Saturday, April 8

9:00 AM: Easter Eggstravaganza

Sunday, April 9

6:30 AM: Easter Sunrise Service

Friday, April 21

6:00 PM: Secret Church

April 28-30

DNOW Student Ministry Event

Sunday's Worship Guide

The Church - A Pillar Of Truth
Lawfully Used Law Brings Life; 1 Timothy 1:8-11

- I. The Law Is Good (8)
- II. The Law Exposes Sin (9-10)
- III. The Law Points To Jesus (11)



Equip 2 Engage For Adults
Sunday, 5:30 PM

How Do I Share My Testimony?



Observance of the Lord's Supper Sunday, March 5

Saturday, March 11



Men's Breakfast
8:00 AM



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10:30 AM



March Madness for Seniors Saturday, March 18 4-6 PM

In the Fellowship Hall

\$5 per couple or \$3 per individual

Guest Speaker: Minnesota Hall of Fame Women's Basketball Coach



2nd Annual Chili Cookoff

Bring a pot of your best chili to share on Friday, March 24. For non-chefs, we also need all the fixings: Cheese, sour cream, jalapenos, cornbread, drinks. Awards will be given for hottest chili, most unique chili, and best traditional chili. Sign up available in the lobby or church office



Church Conference
Wednesday, March 29
6:00 PM



Easter Egg-Stravaganza And Pancake Breakfast April 8: 9 AM—11 AM

Join us for a trip through the Easter story.
You'll collect treats as you travel with Jesus from
Palm Sunday through Resurrection Day.

It's an Easter egg-sperience
you don't want to miss!

[Click here to register](#)

Volunteers and Candy Needed!



Secret Church
Friday, April 21
6 PM—Midnight

What is Secret Church? Secret Church is a unique, one-night event that is streamed online to more than 50,000 participants around the world. Encouraged by our persecuted brothers' and sisters' example, we meet for close to 6 hours for intense study of God's Word and passionate prayer for the persecuted. [Click here to register](#)



Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 9 at 6:30 AM
Beach access at the end of Surfside Drive