



# First Baptist Surfside

## April 20, 2023 Newsletter

This Sunday we will continue 1 Timothy as we answer an important question, "What is a deacon?" We will consider what the Bible teaches about the office of deacon. At the same time, I find it interesting that of the twenty-nine times the word "deacon" is used in the New Testament, it most often does not refer to those who serve as deacons in an "official" capacity.

The word "deacon" is simply translated as "servant." In Mark 9:35 Jesus says, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and a servant [deacon] of all." Jesus demonstrated the ultimate example of servanthood. He stepped down from the glories of heaven to walk among our filth. He taught, He healed, He loved, and then died for those who hated and rejected Him, so they might be saved.

Those who claim to follow Jesus are called to serve, just as Jesus served. Perhaps we are most like Jesus, not when we sit comfortably in our pews on Sunday morning, but when we roll up our sleeves and humble ourselves to serve! When we pick up a friend to go to church, when we change a diaper in the nursery, when we stack tables and chairs, we are showing Christ-like service.

How are you serving others in your life? Who are you showing Christ-likeness to by how you treat them? As it has been said, "People don't care about what you know, until they know that you care."

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
- 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

#### Friday, April 21

- 6:00 PM: Secret Church

#### Saturday, May 6

- 9:00 AM: VBS Workday to Decorate the Church

#### Sunday, May 7

- Observance of the Lord's Supper
- 11:45 AM: Mission Haiti Fundraiser Lunch

#### Saturday, May 13

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

#### Sunday, May 14

- Mother's Day: No Evening Activities

#### Tuesday, May 16

- 3:00 PM: St. Gabriel Devotion

#### Wednesday, May 17

- 3:00 PM: NHC Devotion

#### Sunday, May 21

- 5:30 PM: Church-wide Spring Fling (fun for all!)

#### Sunday, May 28

- Holiday: No Evening Activities

#### Monday, May 29

- Holiday: Church Closed

### Sunday's Worship Guide

#### The Church - A Pillar Of Truth What Is A Deacon?; 1 Timothy 3:8-13

Main Idea: Deacons are the servant leaders of the church.

- I. The Role Of A Deacon (8a)
- II. The Qualifications Of A Deacon (8-13)
- III. The Goal Of A Deacon (14-16)



## VBS Workday May 6

Come join us Saturday, May 6 to help decorate our church for the upcoming VBS (Keepers of the Kingdom). We plan to start at 9 and work until it is completed. No special talents needed just helping hands!



## 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.



## Observance of the Lord's Supper Sunday, May 7



### Haiti Mission Fundraiser May 7

The Haiti Mission Fundraiser is Sunday, May 7th 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. Register online by [clicking here](#).

## Couple's Breakfast, Saturday, May 13



The men's ministry invites all **married couples** to breakfast, Saturday, May 13 at 8:00 AM. Men, bring your wife and join us for a time of inspiration, prayer and fellowship. **Reservations are required** by calling the church office 843.238.0206 by Wednesday, May 10.

Saturday, May 13



## Welcome New Members!

Please join us in welcoming Lisle and Cynthia Tyler to our First Baptist Church Family.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR STUDENTS AND CHILDREN

Vacation Bible School  
June 4-8  
[Register here](#)

Crossroads  
Youth Camp  
Anderson, SC: July 17-21  
[Register here by May 15](#)

Look Up Lodge  
Kid Camp  
July 23-26



## Save the Date

Sunday, May 21 at 5:30 PM  
Church-wide Spring Fling  
Food, inflatables, fun for all!

