



# First Baptist Surfside

## November 2, 2023 Newsletter

Church family,

We have just wrapped up the season of scary things! The month of October and Halloween—and scary movies, giant spiders, and skeletons—are officially behind us. Now we are putting away those dark and gloomy decorations and getting ready to pull out the bright and happy decorations for Christmas!

However, though we have put the scary things away, each of us still live with fear in our hearts throughout the year. Many of us live fearful. Many of us are anxious. Many of us seem to always have an accelerated heartbeat and shortness of breath, as if we are always running from something.

Maybe that describes you, maybe you think that's an exaggeration. Regardless, you have fears. Have you ever had a hard time sharing the gospel with someone because you were afraid? Have you ever avoided a hard conversation that you knew needed to happen? Have you ever struggled with peer pressure? Do you find it hard to say no to people? Do you always second guess yourself because of what others may think? Do you lie, even little white lies to make yourself look better? Do you avoid people? Do other people often make you angry or depressed? Do you compare yourself with others? Do you find yourself anxious over what may happen tomorrow, or next week, or next year? Do you find yourself worrying about what could be? Do you often have thoughts that spiral downward to the worst case scenario? Do you worry about being exposed as a failure? Do you isolate yourself from others and not allow them to help you? Do you only share superficial prayer requests rather than admitting your sin struggles? When you sin, do you find that you avoid God rather than run to Him?

If you have said yes to any of those questions—and I know you did!—then I want to personally invite you to join me this Sunday night, November 5 at 5:30 in the sanctuary. I will be sharing from God's Word about the fear of the Lord and how it is the only solution to our fears and anxiety. The person who fears God will fear nothing else. See you on Sunday night!

In Jesus Name,  
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: Surfside Kids
- 5:00 PM: Students
- 5:30 PM: Adults E2E

#### Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study at Bob Evans
- 11:00 AM: Grief Care
- 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 5

- Daylight Time Ends at 2:00 AM
- Observance of the Lord's Supper
- Coats for the City Due
- 11:45 AM: Mission Fundraiser Lunch

#### Saturday, November 11

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

#### Sunday, November 12

- Vote on 2024 Proposed Budget and Deacons
- Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due

#### Wednesday, November 15

- 3:00 PM: NHC Devotion

#### Sunday, November 19

- 11:45 AM: Discover Class
- For New and Prospective Members

#### Tuesday, November 21

- 3:00 PM: St. Gabriel Devotion

#### November 22-23

- Office Closed for Thanksgiving

### Sunday's Worship Guide

## Daniel – A Tale Of Two Kingdoms Daniel 9: While You Wait

- I. Wait In The Word (1-2)
- II. Wait On Your Knees (3-21)
- III. Wait For The Lord (22-27)



## New York Mission Trip Coats for the City

The Coats for the City New York Mission Trip, is Nov 30 to Dec 3. You can drop your coats, gloves, and scarves off in the basket in the lobby by Sunday, November 5.



**Sunday, November 5**  
**Observance of the**  
**Lord's Supper**

**Reminder!**

Set Your Clocks Back An Hour  
 Sunday, Nov 5 at 2:00 AM



**Sunday, November 5**  
**9:00 AM**

All children K through grade 5, join us in the Surfside Kids room for a special lesson, singing, games and prizes!



**Mission Fundraiser Lunch November 5**

The Mission Fundraiser is Sunday, November 5th 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.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due November 12**



It is simple, get a shoebox from the lobby, fill it and return it by Sunday, November 12. Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever!



**Sunday, November 12**  
**Vote on the 2024 Proposed Budget and Deacons**

**Angel Tree Ready November 19**



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 19. It's simple! Just pick your Angel(s), purchase the item(s) listed, and return the unwrapped gift to the office by Sunday, December 10. We appreciate your participation of spreading the love of Jesus and please remember to pray for your Angel.



**Discover Lunch**

**Sunday, November 19 at 11:45 AM**

For new and prospective members. Call the office to order lunch and reserve your spot!



Dear Church family, As your pastors we simply want to say thank you for your Pastor appreciation gift. Your love and generosity mean so much to us. We are honored that the Lord has allowed us to serve alongside of you and look forward to how God will continue to work in our church. As Paul says in Philippians 1:3-6, "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ". In Christ, Pastor Adam, Pastor Mike, and Pastor Nathan



**Save the Dates!**

Sunday, December 10, 4:00 PM: Churchwide Christmas Caroling  
 Sunday, December 17, 6:00 PM: Christmas Candlelight Service  
 Sunday, December 24, 10:00 AM: One Christmas Worship Service (No Small Groups)  
 December 25-28: Office Closed  
 Sunday, December 31, 10:00 AM: One Worship Service (No Small Groups)