

August 7, 2025 Newsletter

When were you baptized?

I remember when I was a child, I gave my life to Christ before bed one night while talking to my father. As a child, I had a much smaller understanding of my faith than I do now, but I did have simple child-like faith. Thankfully, that is exactly what God asks from us at any age. . . child-like faith. I remember soon after that day I was baptized in my church, and what a joyful day it was!

Biblically, baptism is something we are commanded to do (Mat 28:19). While it is not an act that saves us (Eph 2:8-9), it is an important act of obedience that symbolizes what Christ has done for us. It is the making public of what has already happened privately. That is why we practice "believer's baptism," that is, baptism after someone's salvation. Furthermore, it is a sign in the New Testament that a person is part of the church (1 Cor 12:13).

On August 17th, I am excited about our Beach Baptism Service at 6pm. We will have a special time of worship at the beach access on 16th Ave N here in Surfside that will include ocean baptism. If you are personally interested in being baptized, there is still plenty of time. Let us know and we will walk you through the process.

I hope each of you will join us for a special night!

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 Practice

Regular Sunday Nights Resume September 7

7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study at Family Barn Hwy 17

6:00 PM: Celebrate Recovery

Wednesdays

10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting

Small Groups Meet Throughout the Week at Various Locations

Upcoming Schedule

Friday, August 8

1:00 PM: Food Pantry

Saturday, August 9

8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast

10:30 AM: wMu Sunday, August 17

6:00 PM: Ocean Baptism

Wednesday, August 20

3:00 PM: NHC

Friday, August 22

1:00 PM: Food Pantry

Sunday, August 24

Deacon Nomination Forms Distributed 6:00 PM: Pastor Seth Ordination

Sunday, August 31

2026 Budget Request Due Deacon Nomination Forms Due



Statewide Disaster Relief Training October 10-11 **Concord Baptist Church** Anderson, SC

Questions contact Vic Larsen

Sunday's Worship Guide

Unashamed Of The Gospel True Love: Romans 13:8-14

- Love People (8-10)
- II. Love Jesus (11-14)

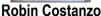
New Member Commissioning

We believe that the Bible emphasizes the importance of church membership. On Sunday September 7 we will present all of our new members to the church. If you have begun the membership process but have not been presented to the church, please contact the church office or Pastor Nathan.

Welcome New Members

Please join us in welcoming Robin Costanzo and Janet Lawson to our First Baptist Surfside family.







Please Return Baby Bottles

Terry Kirby has collected the bottles from our recent fundraiser for Coastline. We were originally given 200 bottles, but we are currently short about 30. If you still have an empty bottle, please return it to the church office as soon as possible so

we can return all bottles to Coastline. Thank you for your support and participation!

Ocean Baptism Sunday, August 17 at 6 PM

Beach Access at the end of 16th Ave N Contact Pastor Nathan or the church office if interested.

Committees, coordinators, ministry teams, etc. need to submit a written detail 2026 budget request to the Finance Committee by Sunday, August 31.

ORDINATIO **Pastor Seth Hartley** Sunday, August 24 6 PM Reception Afterwards



Celebrate Surfside **Beach Festival** September 13 10 AM -3 PM

First Baptist Surfside is having a booth at the Celebrate Surfside Beach Festival, September 13 from 10-3. Come by and visit us as we reach out to our community and invite them to visit our church.

Fall Evening Classes Begin Sunday, September 7 5-6:30 PM

SURFSIDE KIDS Birth—5th Grade

FOOD

SURFSIDE YOUTH 6th—12th Grade (Includes a light meal)

ADULTS

FBC Shirts for Sale



Want to show your FBC spirit? Navy blue FBC shirts are available for about

call the church office or see Wayne Daniel, Don't miss out!

Surfside Community Ministry Food Pantry 2nd and 4th Fridays at 1 PM

Pantry Needs (Non Perishable Items)

Please no outdated items!

Crackers Spaghetti sauce Canned veggies Boxed rice Canned meat (SPAM, chicken, etc.) Bottled juice Jelly Soup

Canned fruit **Noodles** Boxed or canned milk Instant mashed potatoes