

SATELLITE BEACH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

450 Lee Avenue
Satellite Beach, FL 32937



Upcoming Sermons & Scripture

August 4—Guest Preacher, Dr. Joe Jursa
August 11— Our Rule of Life: Do No Harm Romans 13:8-10
August 18— Our Rule of Life: Do Good Matthew 5:13-16, 38-48
August 25— Our Rule of Life: Stay In Love with God John 21:15-25

More Information about SBUMC

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9:00 am - Contemporary
11:00 am - Traditional

The VISION NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Attention: The newsletter deadline is the 20th of each month. Please send articles to Publications@sbumc.net

Thank you, JoAnn Armstrong

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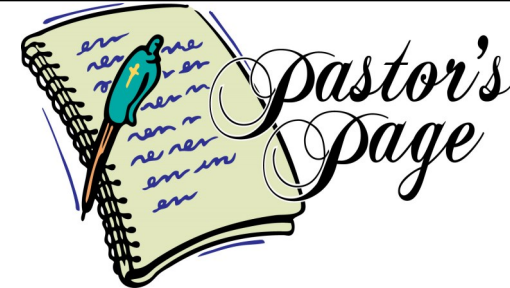
The Vision



Where there is no Vision, the people perish.
Proverbs 29:18

August 2024

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church



My earliest memory of God was at the communion kneeling rail at my father's first Florida church. It was a massive cathedral like building with beautiful large stain glass windows. The communion rail on either side of the middle aisle seemed to go on forever. As a child, I remember kneeling at that rail and waiting for the elements to be handed out. First, it was the bread and then the juice in little cups. Between each element, you had to wait for the words, "Take and eat...take and drink." After that, you still had to wait for the words, "Arise and go in peace." That meant you could go back to your seat.

During those long pauses, I remember looking around and seeing everyone so quiet and so focused. I felt a holy presence in those moments that to this day I still resonate with and consider it to be as John Wesley said, "The Love of God poured into our hearts." It was in those sacred moments kneeling at the communion rail that I first identified love with the actual real presence of a living God. I didn't understand it all, but I realized that God was real, and that God's love was for me because Jesus did something special for and in me.

I have realized since then that I felt God's love during communion not only because it's a sacrament and a special means of grace, but because of the community of faith around me that modeled that love. The congregation made God's love real because they knew me, cooked for potlucks, taught Sunday school, and sang in

the choir. And when we sat silent at the communion rail, I witnessed the authenticity of their faith.

Living in community, faithful to the call of Christ, and being united by the sacrament of the communion made a world of difference in my relationship with Jesus. One last thing that I gained from those experiences. I learned that prayer was real and that God was present with us in a special way when we prayed together. The prayers of those people formed me and I pray today as most of them did back then. I am not perfect, and I've made my share of mistakes. But thanks to that faithful community of saints, I know how to pray, be still and know God, and enjoy the unfathomable grace provided for us in worship and in the importance of a community of faith that models the Love of Jesus to the world.

What experiences have you had that formed your faith? When was the first time you acknowledged God and responded to his grace? How can we be a faith community that models for our young the importance of worship, service, prayer, and reading of scripture? I hope we can discover new ways together to reach the lost and to allow the Holy Spirit to make our light shine brighter for all to know Jesus as we move forward together.

1 Thessalonians 5:11- Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.

In Christ's Service,
Pastor Richard



Remember in Prayer Please remember to pray for the needs in our church body and community. In our weekly worship bulletin, you will find recently occurring prayer concerns.

The following prayer concerns are an ongoing basis:

Men and women of our armed forces: *Rob Bird, *Zach Heim, Bryan, nephew of Mike & Pat Hunter, Matthew Joubert, Tim Joubert, Sean Keane, *Craig Lambert, Ellen Lambert, *Vance Lambert, *Laura Lehnerz, Patrick Miller, Jason Snedeker, Mike Taylor

Missionaries: John & Lynn Lehn, Croatia, Jim, Kathy, Stephen & Hillary Mehl, Salvador; and Pastor Alexis, Mir Iglesia Metodista, Cuba. Larz & Karen Welo

Prayers of Concern: Sydney Arnold, *Jean Denney, *Ada Fields, Thomas Fuller, Carolyn Hibbs, Anne Joyce, *Jerryan McClure, *Ruth Miles, Sarah Miller, Marty Peischel, *Melissa Phillips, *Shirley Pollak, Joan Powell, Carl & Catherine "Bunny" Sanderson, *Linda & Ravi Shah, *Al & Patty Smith, *Barbara Stasko, Erin Sullivan, *Jim Tate, Linda Tippins, Frank Traino

Long Term Care: Victoria Landing - *Hilda Gray, *Doris Tantum; Zon Beachside - *June Brittingham, *Maddy Klasen, Donna White Chateau Madeleine - *Joe & Francene Intille; *Pete & Judy Wehner; Riverview Senior Resort, Palm Bay *Jean Webb

*denotes church family

Help Needed!

The praise band at the 9AM service is in need of musicians and singers! We are lost our main acoustic guitar player and God has brought us a new electric guitarist. We also have people away on vacations. If you are interested, please contact Willis McPhee at praiseteam@sbumc.net or speak to him after service on Sunday!

#1 Need—Female Singers

Thank you!
Willis McPhee



Children & Youth

VBS 2024

What a wonderful time we all had Celebrating the Savior! It was a huge success, but could have never been pulled off without our amazing volunteers! If you served or donated for this awesome outreach event, a massive THANKS from me to you! (Photos from VBS on page 4)

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH

Families, come out & join us on Saturday, August 17th, for a cookout at The Rock where we will have a large inflatable waterslide, too! The fun starts at 3PM for the Children & 5PM for the Youth. Afterwards, the youth group will be having a lock-in. Please RSVP no later than Friday, August 9th, so that I know how much food to purchase. If you are able to bring a food item to share, include that in your RSVP.

[The Back-to-School Bash will replace our monthly Family Game Night.]

Preschool News!

Summer Camp at SBUMP



JOIN US EACH MONTH ON THE SECOND SATURDAY FOR A...

MOVIE ON THE LAWN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH
ARRIVE AT 7:30 PM
MOVIE STARTS BY 8:00 PM
INDOOR VIEWING FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

- POPCORN
- BOTTLED WATER
- PLAYGROUND OPEN UNTIL DUSK
- BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET

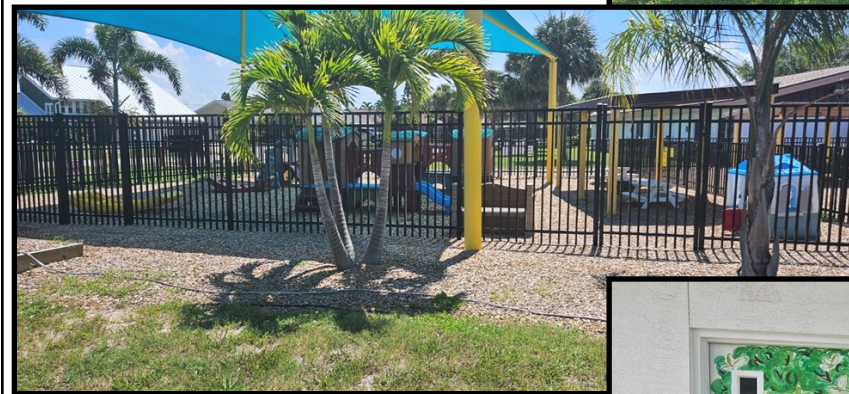
August's Movie:
PG - 2016 - 1h 26m - Animated, Comedy, Family

Description:
A life as a favorite pet is turned upside down when his owner brings home a sloppy mongrel canine. They must put their quarrels behind them when they discover an adorable white bunny, who is determined to take revenge on all happily owned pets and their owners, is building an army of abandoned pets.

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Preschool News!

Tour of a quiet SBUM Preschool



SENIOR NEWS

for the *Young at Heart*

Georgia Garrett

Beyond 50 Ministries - *ReFired Servants*

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13

AUGUST CELEBRATIONS

- 13 Ada Fields
- 15 Jean Tate, Kyle Henderson, Lana Johnson
- 24 Frank & Gwen Armitage (64 years)
- 25 Gwen Armitage
- 26 Pat Moyer
- 28 Olive Leonard
- Peter & Myrtle Russell (57 years)
- 31 Linda Shah

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth, sing the glory of his name." —Psalms 66:1

ORGANIZATIONS SENIOR MINISTRY SUPPORT

Humane Society
(Still collecting)



2 cans of cat food
1 bag of cat food

"August is the border between summer and autumn; it is the most beautiful month I know."

—Tove Jansson

Lunch and a Movie

Lunch and a Movie is held every other month. On July 16, twelve seniors went to the Upside Down Café for lunch and then to *The Rock* to watch "Mr. Holland's OPUS".



The next *Lunch and a Movie* will be on Tuesday, September 17.

Recent Events

On June 29th, SBUMC seniors went to the Space Coast Symphony's Patriotic Concert.



Upcoming Events

We will take a break during August. If you are interested in a performance or concert in the fall, please sign up in the book in the office.

"The first week of August hangs at the very top of summer . . . like the highest seat of a Ferris Wheel when it pauses in its turning."

—Natalie Babbitt

With love and prayers,

Georgia Garrett,
Director,
Senior Ministry



Vacation Bible School



CELEBRATE
the Savior
Jesus Gives Us Joy



VBS!



Prayer Ministry

God speaks promises of restoration. I am your witness of the Glory of God. Do not get angry at God when you are not well. Whosoever calls "Help God!" gets help, and how do you call for help? Prayer! Please know that the people who know their God shall be strong and do exploits. Joel 2 and Daniel 11:25.

I encourage you to pray and know God. Deliverance is a promise from God. So, when you are fighting an attack on your health, go to God in prayer, sing to and unto the Lord and in your song will be joy...going out with joy! The Lord is near in the valley of decision. He shall show the greatest ways for His people. Identify with Him! One of the greatest ways of identifying with God is through prayer and song. God is the hope of His people! I encourage you to pray to God and be confident that He will do and give all that He has promised to you.

Prayer Ministry. Come and pray with us. The Prayer Group's prayer and intercession are effective and promising. Leave a prayer request in the offertory plate on Sunday or simply call the church, then the Prayer Ministry will pray for you and that is called intercession.

Visit the prayer room, volunteer to be a monthly prayer minister in 2025. Join with us at 8:30am every first and third Monday in the sanctuary. This kind of prayer is a ministry.

PRAYER MINISTRY
Kathrine Reid

Choir News

Hello SBUMC Family!

As July comes to a close, I find myself reflecting on a wonderful Summer surrounded by family, friends, food, and flexibility. Did our school year routine get completely messed up? Absolutely. Did I make lasting memories for myself and my kids? You bet. Routines can be reestablished but enjoying a late-night movie, having a campfire snack, or spending all day swimming with my kids won't always be an option. I pray that you take time this month to cherish the little things that God has done to bless you. Sometimes it may not be as obvious, but He truly does give each of us a multitude of blessings to be thankful for.

I look forward to a return to school (and work for me) and the return of our choir in August. Unfortunately, we have lost two members over the last year and we could really use a few more voices joining us. If you love to sing, even if you have no experience with reading music, please come out and join us. We have a great time on Wednesday nights and I know you'll love the friendly atmosphere and the satisfying feeling when an anthem really comes together on Sunday morning. Our rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, July 31st, so if you've ever thought about joining, this is a perfect time, as we'll all be learning new music together. Hope to see you then!

Thank you for reading and for supporting the music ministry at this church.

Sincerely,
Michel Avey

