

**SATELLITE BEACH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

450 Lee Avenue  
Satellite Beach, FL 32937



**Upcoming Sundays**

Feb. 2 - Prioritizing What Endures, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
Feb. 9 - Passing On What's Important, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Feb. 16 - Preaching the Resurrection, 1 Corinthians 15:12-26  
Feb. 23 - Planted In Brokenness, Raised in Glory, 1 Cor. 15:35-44, 50

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**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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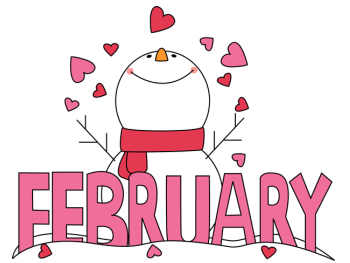
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*The Vision*

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



February 2025

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church



The new year rolled in fast and in a flurry of cold weather. We have enjoyed an extended winter, but I believe everyone is ready for February to bring us some warmer weather. Asking for warmer weather in Florida isn't usually the case. But if you're feeling like me right now, our northern friends can keep it and take it back with them as they go north! The chill in the air kept us huddling in our houses and I believe many of us stayed home and out of the cold. The year 2025 is in full swing and I wonder if any of our new year's resolutions are still intact?

The NOMADS just wrapped up their first three-week stint with us. They are such a blessing. It was great to see them in action, serving the community by sharing God's love in service. They fixed many things in our pre-school, church office, playground, and sanctuary to name just a few things. They also went to the Episcopal church near by and fixed one of their fences. This group of Nomads are leaving but in three more weeks, we will have another group come. So, if you have anything that needs fixing or help with something at your home. Or if you know someone who does, please contact the church office and let us know. The Nomads are a skilled group of dedicated Christians who love to serve communities like ours with their gifts and talents. We always want to keep them busy!

This last month we had a great celebration of life luncheon for Don Moore. Many people came out and shared memories and prayers for the family. Don was truly a wonderful example of God's love to all who knew him. I wanted to thank everyone who helped putting that luncheon together and making it a special occasion for Lilly, the family, and our church.

I want to take this opportunity to share with everyone some of our present needs at Satellite Beach UMC. First, the Leadership Team is working hard to set the

church's budget for 2025. We project that we will need increased giving to meet our ministry obligations. We specifically need increased giving to our general fund to have a healthy financial year. I urge everyone to pray for this since this is your church and as members we have vowed to support the mission of our church. Second, we do need more volunteers to help in the areas of hospitality, office help, and light facility work. Third, we want to start up a discipleship process, that includes spiritual formation/small groups in addition to Sunday school classes and bible studies. We need volunteers willing to lead some classes and participants for the groups. More information regarding our discipleship process will come soon. Please email me at [pastor@sbumc.net](mailto:pastor@sbumc.net) if you are willing to volunteer in any of the ways mentioned above.

February will mark the beginning of the eighth month of my tenure at Satellite Beach UMC as pastor. I and my family are greatly blessed to be a part of this church. My family has been embraced by the congregation, and we feel really at home here. I know I'm still learning many things and getting to know all of you, so my ongoing appreciation of everyone's help and patience. I pray that we will continue serving our Lord and Savior, King Jesus, with all our heart, mind and soul. With the Holy Spirit guiding us and our surrendering to serve our community with the power of Jesus' love, anything is possible. Let us hold fast to the promises God has given us knowing that his steadfast love and faithfulness will strengthen us and empower us according to his will.

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil. It will be health to your flesh, And strength to your bones. Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the first fruits of all your increase; So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine." (Proverbs 3:5-10, NKJV)*

In Christ's Service,  
*Richard A. Jones*



**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, \*Zak 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.

**Prayers of Concern:** Sydney Arnold, \*Charlotte Butts, \*Jean Denney, \*Georgia Foster, Thomas Fuller, \*Grace Green, Anne Joyce, Mark Maslin, \*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 Wehner; Riverview Senior Resort, Palm Bay \*Jean Webb

\*denotes church family

**Focus on Cuba**

I wish there was some happy news about Cuba, but it continues in power outages, food and commodity shortages, and lots of desperation. Still our brothers and sisters at Mir continue praising the lord and gathering to lift one another up on the name of Jesus. I'd like to take a group down in either November 2025 or January 2026. Anyone who is interested please let me know at 304-615-1798 or [wvgirlinfl@gmail.com](mailto:wvgirlinfl@gmail.com). Bendiciones!!!

Stacy Jones

**Blanket Sunday**

There is always a need for blankets at this time of year, but this year it seems particularly important to do so. The weather in the north has been harsh and this has extended deep into the southern states. For those that were affected by the fall hurricane, there is a particular urgency. And all the families who are out of their homes because of the fires in California could certainly use blankets for both comfort. On February 16 we will be collecting money for Church World Service blankets. Please consider contributing.

Ann Montgomery

Dear Church family,

2025 has been a challenging year for me so far. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of your prayers and support. I am improving each day but it will take several more weeks to reach recovery. As a result, the Treasurer's office will only be open a few hours a week. Most of my work is being done from home. If you need something, please email me, leave a voice mail, a note in my mailbox, or let Pat know and she will pass the information along. Again, without your prayers and God's guiding hand, I would not be writing this today.

Thank you,  
Shirley Huffman



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

# MOVIE ON THE LAWN

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH • POPCORN  
ARRIVE AT 5:30 PM • BOTTLED WATER  
MOVIE STARTS BY SUNSET • PLAYGROUND OPEN UNTIL DUSK  
INDOOR VIEWING FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER • BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET

**Frozen**  
PG - 2013 - 1h 46m - Animation, Family, Musical, Fantasy

**Description:** A fearless, optimistic princess teams up with a rugged mountain man and his loyal reindeer in an epic journey to find the queen, whose icy powers have trapped their kingdom in eternal winter. Encountering Everest-like conditions, mystical trolls and a hilarious snowman, will the trio find the queen in time to save the kingdom?

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**Preschool News!**

**Science Day in VPK!**



Preschool's Christmas Program of the Threes and Fours.  
Pastor Richard leading the students in a closing prayer at the end of the Christmas Program.



Musical instruments that were purchased with the proceeds from the last two Cookie Walks.



### Prayer Ministry

*"I love you Lord and I lift my voice to worship you. Oh my soul rejoice! Take joy my King in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear!"* (Adams-Klein)

I encourage prayer and I encourage worship to the Lord Jesus in your prayers. The Lord loves to hear "I love you Lord!" from your mouth. I encourage you to speak His love in your prayers to Him. Pray knowing that the all sufficient one is listening and is there with you and for you. As you pray and as you wait on Him rest assured that our Lord Jesus Christ has His best intension towards you and gives unto you. As in Luke 6:38 He gives a return for you and for your investments in Him! God always offers a return on your love and on your prayers towards and about Him. Give and it will be given back to you—good measure pressed down, shaken together, and running over... It is February! May we share God's love with others just as God always shows us His love.

Katherine Reid

### Help Wanted

Satellite Beach United Methodist Preschool is looking to hire a new preschool director for the 2025-2026 school year. Interested candidates are asked to apply through our [indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com) job application link. The link can be accessed via the Satellite Beach United Methodist Church Facebook page.

Facebook.com/satellitebeachumc

Paula Bewerse  
Chair, Preschool Advisory Team (PAT)



Several of the youth group students enjoying s'mores around the fire pit.

### Children & Youth

Join **Children's Ministry** for a Valentine's themed Family Game Night on Friday, Feb. 7th, from 6:00-8:00PM. Pizza, games & fun! This is a free event, but please **RSVP** by texting/calling/emailing, no later than Sunday, Feb. 2nd.

**Chili Cookoff & BUNCO** for **\*\*ALL\*\*** who would like to participate on Sunday, February 16th, at Noon in our COC. There is no cost to eat or play, but \*please\* **RSVP** by calling the office, signing up in the back of the sanctuary, or texting me so that Susan & I know how many tables to set up. If you plan on entering the contest, please include that in your RSVP. Winner will win gift card! **This event is for the entire church**, so we hope to see many of you there. The Nomads will most likely be joining us, too!

**Family Outing** on Saturday, February 22nd, at 10:00AM to the **Ice Plex**. Ice skating is fun in the winter months for us Floridians. We can at least pretend, right? Contact me if you're interesting in meeting up.

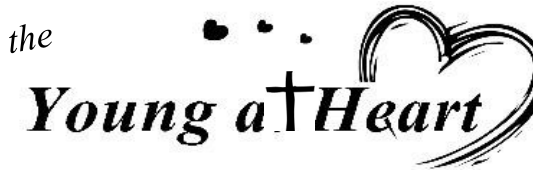
**VBS 2025** will be July 14th - July 18th. Please **save the dates** & prayerfully consider volunteering for this awesome outreach event.

**Youth Group Valentine's themed Escape Room** & party at The Rock on Sunday, February 9th, from 5:00-7:00PM. Please **RSVP** no later than the 7th.

**Youth Group** will be having a picnic lunch & playing volleyball on **Sunday, February 23rd**, at Pelican Beach. Please text me if your student plans to attend to ensure there's enough food.

## SENIOR NEWS

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**Georgia Garrett**

Beyond 50 Ministries - *ReFired Servants*

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

### FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

- 3 Jennifer Borondy
- 4 Dr. Joe Jursa
- 9 Jean Denney
- 15 Gina Zimmerman
- 17 Ron Countryman, Keila Perez
- 18 Barbara Heim
- 24 Ron & Patsy Countryman Anniversary

*"Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him."*  
-Psalms 37:7

### ORGANIZATIONS SENIOR MINISTRY SUPPORT

#### Humane Society



(Still collecting)

- 1 cat scratching post
- 3 cat toys
- 4 cans of cat food
- 1 dog toy
- 2 cans of dog food

*"In February, there is everything to hope for and nothing to regret."*  
— Patience Strong

### Lunch and a Movie

*Lunch and a Movie* will not be held this month. It will be held on Wednesday, March 19 at 1:30 PM. Please sign up in the book on the front desk so that I can make reservations to a local restaurant.

### Upcoming Events

I do not know what the concerts are, but if you are interested in attending, please sign up in the book on the front desk, and I will find out what concerts are scheduled. When dates become available, I will call you and make reservations. There are usually ten tickets available.

If you are interested in seeing plays this year at Henegar Center or Cocoa Village Playhouse, please sign up in the book on the front desk and I will find out what the plays are, what the dates are, and the cost.

### Georgia's Valentine Message

Please remember that February is the month of love. We should think about those who are with us—our families, friends, neighbors and pets. We should also take time to think about those who are no longer with us.

*With love and prayers,*  
**Georgia Garrett, Director**  
*Senior Ministry*



## Motel Minute

**Community Fellowship Ministry** God is changing lives in Satellite Beach

Hello! I'm Kyle Henderson. This is my initial article to tell you about a NEW ministry, **Community Fellowship Ministry**, that Stacy Jones and I have been involved in the last year or so. It's a ministry of several beachside (community) churches that have come together to fellowship with our friends at *America's Best Value Inn*. That's the hotel on A1A just south of Pineda Causeway. I think most of you are aware of the reputation this hotel has in the community...lots of drugs, crime, and everything that goes with that. Sheriff Ivey set up a command center next to the hotel a few years ago because of all the crime happening in our community streets and beaches.

Living in the community where it's located, I had been praying for years for the residents there...asking God HOW do we go about helping these people? How do we bring the light of Jesus into such a dark place? I had no idea how to begin. So, I kept praying.

In late 2023, I was talking with Freddie Woodford from Love INC (In the Name of Christ). She called representatives from several area churches to a meeting at our church in December 2023 to begin the discussion. With about 20 in attendance, we gathered, talked, and prayed ....and prayed ...and prayed. In March 2024 was our first visit with them.

Our member, Stacy Jones established relationships with some residents there by taking the leftovers from the Spaghetti football meals, as well as bakery items from area stores each week. Some of our Satellite High school football players live there as well. There are several families with children in elementary, middle, and high school who have called the hotel home for years. There are older single females living alone or taking care of a family member. Some are there for a short time, while others call it home for an extended time. Some of them work there as maintenance or housekeeping to pay for their room. On the last Sunday of the month, we arrive at 4pm with prepared food or grill hamburgers or hot dogs, providing the sides – potato chips, cookies, fruit and bottled water. We always take fruit – they don't get many fresh fruits, and they love it.

June was our church's annual Cuban Dinner fundraiser. Our Cuban friends were gracious to make extra for the hotel residents and came with us to serve and clean up! That was a real treat for them.

Our July month end visit was centered on back to school for the children. One of our friends brought out a flat top grill and provided delicious cheese burgers. Two hairstylists came and gave haircuts to nine kids. There were 19 children going back to school. Through the funds in the Women of Worth account we were able to provide a new outfit to every child for the first day of school. After getting their age and sizes, we purchased new tops, pants, underwear, socks and shoes for the younger kids and arranged for the older teenagers to shop for themselves. Stacy and I took Mom and 4 teenagers to Ross to choose their own new outfits for school.

During the spring, a small group from Trinity Wellsprings Church went at a different time of the month with a meal of sandwiches or treats of Root Beer Floats, watermelon or frozen pops. The young teenage girls asked for books which they provided, as well as dog food for their pets.

The fall months we had grilled chicken sandwiches, breakfast for dinner, pizza, Thanksgiving feast with ham, potato & vegetable casseroles, bread, pies and all that goes with the meal. In December our visit was a few days before New Years Eve – so we had New Years Eve party, sandwiches, sides, desserts – and noise makers for the kids!

We have shown them that we do care about them – “Why do you do this?” they ask. Because we want to be a better neighbor. We're building relationships with them now so that we can lead them to a church and to Love INC. This is a *transformational ministry*. The definition of Transformation is: *a complete change in the appearance or character of something or someone so that that thing or person is improved* - transformation does not come over night. It takes a while. It's not easy and one needs mentoring, education and support along the way – that's what Love INC does. It's so important to get them anchored in God and a church as they go through the life transformation process with Love INC

It is important to be consistent. We are there the last Sunday of the month at 4pm with food and fellowship. We chose Sunday because the owner/manager is always off, as he would not look kindly on us and would most likely ask us to leave. That is not a surprise because darkness is invaded by light and the enemy is never happy when we lift Jesus up and shed light on darkness. We take tables and chairs so we can sit, have a meal and get to know them. We're beginning to ask more questions about them and their situation. They are eager to tell their story. There is a 27 year old young man at the hotel, paralyzed from the waist down, in a wheelchair. His doctor is not sure if this is permanent. Through this ministry he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior, has been attending a beachside church and has contacted Love INC. **PRAISE!**

## MOTEL MINUTE Cont'd.

Our planning meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10am in Room S-11 at our church. Right now there are about seven folks from three beachside churches active in this ministry – Trinity Wellspring, Church 4 the Beach (they meet at Gleason Park), and SBUMC. A small amount of funding comes from these church ministries. It is mostly individuals from these churches that contribute home baked or purchased food when we visit.

How can you help? First, I ask for your daily prayers for this ministry and the residents at the hotel. If you like to cook or bake, contact me. They love home baked food! Look in future newsletters with updates on what we're doing and how.

**God is changing lives in Satellite Beach!**

Kyle Henderson Phone: 321-446-4674 Email: kjs Henderson109@gmail.com

## Choir News

Hello SBUMC Family!

Not too much on the news front as we go into February. Choir will be practicing on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM, and we have been blessed to have a few new faces joining us over the last couple months. Please make sure you stop by the choir room after a service and make everyone feel welcome and loved.

I'll leave you with a couple musical verses to inspire you:

Colossians 3:16

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*

Psalms 33:1-3

*Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.*

Have a fantastic February and I look forward to seeing you all in service.

Sincerely,  
Michel Avey

## The NOMADS

The NOMADS are coming! The NOMADS will be here. The NOMADS are retired RVers who go around the country helping others. If you have handyman work needed inside or yardwork outside they will provide labor at no cost. You can pay for materials and make a donation if you wish to. The NOMADS goal is to help the church and people in the community. If you know of anyone who is in need of such service then please have them email or call us. There are work request forms available in the office that you may fill out and leave in the office or in the offering basket. You can also contact Frank Conover (321) 210-9119 conoverfd@gmail.com

*Thank you* from the Staff

*We are most grateful for the generous Christmas Love Offering. As in previous years, everyone has been more than generous to us. During this past year, we asked a lot of you - and you never let us down and always came through most generously. It is truly a blessing to be in ministry with you. We are honored to serve with you. Thank you.*

*Blessings for a peaceful and prosperous New Year!*