

SATELLITE BEACH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

450 Lee Avenue
Satellite Beach, FL 32937



Upcoming Sundays



- ◆ 3-2 - Luke 4:1-13 Jesus and Temptation
- ◆ 3-9 - Luke 13:31-35 Jesus and Jerusalem
- ◆ 3-16 - Luke 13:1-9 Jesus and Grace
- ◆ 3-23 - Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 Jesus and the Prodigal
- ◆ 3-30 - John 12:1-8 Jesus and Mary's Gift

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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



March 2025

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church



MAKING A DIFFERENCE THIS LENT

March is here and we can't say "Happy New Year" anymore! This month we enter the season of Lent, a time of reflection, of rededication, and of giving. We will have an Ash Wednesday service on March 5th, at 6pm. I hope you can all make it.

Lent is a perfect time for us to consider how we can increase our impact in our community and in the world through our lives. Usually fasting and prayer are most associated with Lent, even though these practices are just a part of a greater rule of life that points us to Jesus. Lent is also about giving more of ourselves to serving the poor, the lost, and the broken. We are called to do this by increasing our commitment to easing the suffering in the world through our sacrifices. These sacrifices call us to "give up" things in order give more to those in need. In other words, Lent is about seeking ways we can make a difference for the Kingdom of God by asking the Lord to involve us more in ministry, in relieving suffering, and in coming together as a faith community that lives for spreading the Good News to all people. This is a part of our vision, Changing Lives by the Power of Jesus' Love!

This year we have a focus for our church as we follow Jesus in Lent that involves supporting and empowering our own ministries to do God's will. We all have promised to come together as Satellite UMC to make a greater difference together than apart. This is why this Lent season, we will be sacrificing, fasting and praying, and increasing our giving to our local church. Jesus said that we are to be the light of the world by letting our "light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

I want to invite everyone to reflect on how you'd like

to be a Difference Maker for Jesus this year! Our goal is to grow as difference makers for Jesus together as the church and bring the hope of glory to others through our ministries that share the good news in words and deeds (Col. 1:27). Here is a small message from our finance chair, Mark Binkley, informing us about our Difference Makers' Campaign.

Difference Makers Campaign

Informational meetings regarding our stewardship campaign were held on the 16th with over 70 people attending! We will be using matching gifts throughout the campaign. If you would like to make a matching gift, please contact Pastor Richard or myself. You can make a matching gift in memory of someone, in honor of someone, in your or your family's name, or it can be completely confidential. As another option, for those still working, you can check with your employer to see if they would like to provide a matching gift. These matching gifts are just that ... they are pledges and the dollar amount will be given to the church when the congregation matches the amount. The official launch will be on Sunday, 9 March. Between now and then, be praying for how we can be Difference Makers in our community. Mark Binkley (m_binkley@yahoo.com), Finance Chair.

The Lord bless you and keep you and make his face to shine upon you and give you peace.

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, *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

2025 Ash Wednesday Service
 Everyone is invited to the
 Ash Wednesday Service
 on March 5th at 6:00 pm

Dear Church Family,
 My sincere thank you for your cards, prayers, and concern during my recent surgery. I am improving each day and with my faith in the Lord he will continue to lay his healing hands upon me.
 Blessings To All,
 Kevin Slosser

Thank you

UMCOR Sunday

We will be celebrating UMCOR Sunday on March 23. This is the one time of the year that congregations are asked to fund the overhead that allows the United Methodist Committee on Relief to operate around the world. After that, every penny you send to support a project such as hurricane relief, flood damage, fire damage or refugee resettlement and aid goes directly to that project. UMCOR is proud that they are frequently the first in and the last out when there is a disaster. But they also support a host of ongoing projects like providing clean water, training nurse/ mid-wives and providing malaria nets to our brothers and sisters in need. There is a huge need so prayerfully consider giving generously.

Ann Montgomery

New Sunday School Class

Throughout the Lenten season, Terri Jones will be conducting an interactive LENT Sunday School class. It starts March 2, between services in classroom S-11.

Lent
A Time to Renew

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

MOVIE ON THE LAWN

SATURDAY, MARCH 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

Honey, I Shrunk The Kids
 PG - 1989 - 1h 33m - Live Action, Family, Adventure, Comedy

Description: A preoccupied inventor can't seem to get his electromagnetic shrinking machine to work. But when he accidentally shrinks his kids down to 1/4-inch tall and tosses them out in the trash, the real adventure begins. The kids face incredible dangers as they try to make their way home through the jungle of their own backyard. Hurricane sprinklers! Dive-bombing bees! A runaway lawn mower...and much, much more!

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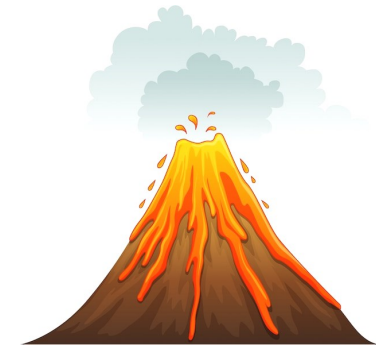
Preschool News!



The Tooth Fairy and her helper came to teach the students how to take care of their teeth.



The VPK students built volcanos and erupted them during the letter "V" week.



Pastor Richard and Penelope Peacock teach a Bible story.

This year we have 93 students and look forward to even more students next year. I have enjoyed watching the children grow and graduate from SBUMP for the past 22 years. I have seen the preschool grow from 3 classrooms to 9 classrooms and one Before Care Lunch Bunch room. We have two playgrounds, one for the threes and fours and one for the twos. Preschool is now fenced in and using a Phone app for electronic attendance tracking and communication. It has been an honor and a privilege to be a part of a very happy place. I will be retiring at the end of this year, but, I will never be far away.

Susan Siemer

Children & Youth

VBS 2023 will be 7/21 - 7/25. Please save the dates and prayerfully consider volunteering for this awesome yearly outreach program.

Easter Egg Hunt will be on Palm Sunday, April 13th, between services at 10:15 on the playground. The church is already accepting candy or chocolate donations. Must be individually wrapped.

Family Game Night - Friday, 3/28/25 from 6:00-8:00PM. If interested, please RSVP with Shawna no later than 3/23/25.

Children's Ministry Family Outing - Saturday, 3/15/25 at Andretti in Melbourne to kick off Spring Break! Please contact Shawna if you would like to go.

Youth Group at Grant Beach on Sunday, 3/9/25 for a volleyball match.

Youth Group work day around the church - Saturday, 3/8/25.



Several of the youth group students before playing Hungry Hungry Hippos, Human Edition.



A NEW DAY IS COMING – DAY OF HOPE!

Day of Hope, formerly known as Day on Campus, is coming to our Enterprise campus on Saturday, March 8th. We invite all Methodist friends to learn about and engage with Residing Hope on a deeper level. The name isn't the only thing that has changed to make this event more interaccional for you.

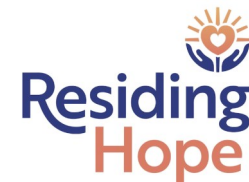
We are offering five separate breakout sessions in two separate time periods, including: Trauma Informed Therapy; Foster Care; Planned Giving; How to Get More Deeply Engaged, and a Foster Care Panel Discussion.

We still have our famous box lunch, and campus tours throughout the day. There will be two brief worship programs led by our youth (morning and afternoon), as well as family-oriented activities especially designed for our younger guests.

For more information and to register online, please visit our website: <https://residinghope.org/day-on-campus/>

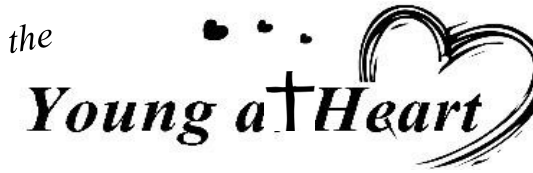
Come see where Hope lives! We look forward to seeing all of you on March 8th!

Please contact Bill Haase at Lkhbeachside@outlook.com, or 321 312-9064, to coordinate possible carpooling options.



SENIOR NEWS

for the



Georgia Garrett

Beyond 50 Ministries - *ReFired Servants*

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

MARCH CELEBRATIONS

- 2 Maddy Klasen—101 years
- 15 Peter Russel
- 16 Patsy Countryman
- 19 Laura Fowler
- 22 Ruth Aaron
- 26 Ruth Miles
- 29 Bill & Sue Crabtree Anniversary

“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)

- 4 cans of cat food
- 2 cans of dog food



“In March the soft rains continued, and each storm waited patiently until its predecessor sunk beneath the ground.” —John Steinbeck

Lunch and a Movie

Lunch and a Movie 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 the 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 Message

Here are ten ways to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with your family:

1. Fill a pot with soil and add Shamrock seeds
2. Watch Irish movies together
3. Live a greener life
4. Make Irish Soda bread
5. Have a Leprechaun make mischievous acts
6. Research your family tree
7. Make Rainbow cupcakes
8. Have a green vegetable as part of dinner
9. Share your blessings with someone else
10. Make green carnations by adding food coloring to the water



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

Community Fellowship Ministry

It's a year ago this month we began our once-a-month visits to the residents at America's Best Value Inn in Satellite Beach. We've found that the last Sunday of the month is the best time to go because usually funds are low at the end of the month, and the last Sunday is easy to remember.

In January and February, spaghetti and ziti was prepared from food leftover from the spaghetti dinners served to the SHS football team. We added garlic bread, salad with tomato, cupcakes provided by Publix and LOTS of fruit! We always take fruit – something they don't get much of. Whether we grill hamburgers, hot dogs or bring prepared food, we are there – consistently loving our neighbor with food and fellowship. There are usually about 30-40 adults and about a dozen kids. Some faces are the same and some are new.

Al Adams from Trinity Wellsprings Church brings his guitar and has been helping several kids learn to play the guitar. They are absolutely thrilled to have someone teach them. Al's pretty excited about it, too!

We are there to listen, pray with them and give them hope for a better tomorrow. Our ultimate goal is to get them to Love INC to provide them with guidance to improve their life situation. It is also necessary to get them assimilated in a nearby church for support as they go through the transformational process. God wants them to thrive, not just survive.

What can you do to help? First, please PRAY. Please put this ministry on your prayer list. The enemy is never happy when we lift Jesus up and shed light on darkness. Second, we may need a casserole, a homemade dish or fruit from time to time. Let me know if I can call on you some time in the future.

We begin serving at 4pm. Everyone is welcome to come by for a visit – we are in the back of the parking lot by the pool – you can't miss us! Just come by and say hello! Call me if you have any questions!

Kyle Henderson
321-446-4674

Take My Life and Let It Be

While visiting with some friends at the Areley House in England in 1874, Frances Ridley Havergal became burdened for the many lost souls who had gathered. She prayed "Lord, give me all in this house," and that is what He did. One by one she spoke words of encouragement to those who were lost until at last she had seen all trust in the Lord.

As she retired for the night she found herself too happy to sleep. Most of the night was spent in praise and self-consecration. She found herself forming little couplets in her heart, one after another, until she reached the thought, "Ever, only, all for Thee!" The Lord had bought her one step closer to understanding what must be sacrificed in order for her to yield her life wholly to Jesus.

Four years later, the Lord showed her what "Take my silver and my gold" now meant. She realized, as did the disciples, that in order to be fully consecrated to Christ meant forsaking her nets. Her net was her possessions, so she willingly gave her fine jewelry to the Christian mission, asking nothing in return.

What are you holding on to that keeps you from being consecrated to the Lord? Consecration starts with giving one's self to Him. II Corinthians 8:5 "but first gave ourselves to the Lord..." After that, it is a daily, and moment-by-moment yielding to the will of God.

For more stories behind your favorite hymns, go to this website. <https://grace4all.com/hymn-stories/>
Copied from <https://grace4all.com/take-my-life-and-let-it-be/>

Prayer Ministry

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church is also known as a House of Prayer. We have created a specified Prayer Room that dates back to the early 1990s. Some of you may remember an international movement in the Methodist church called "Celebrate Jesus". Each church was encouraged to set up a Prayer Room somewhere on their premises. Ada Fields took on that challenge and set up a place for prayer in the work room (sacristy). Many people supported her endeavor with time, talent and funds. The emphasis on prayer was so great that every Sunday morning before the first service (8:30AM) Ada would lift up prayers with the pastors and participants in the two services.

Now we have our own designated Prayer Room in the Community Outreach Center. The furnishings are from our original Prayer Room. The wall of crosses was a donation from Georgia Garrett. Twelve people have signed up for one month in 2025 (weekly attendance) to share their time in prayer for those who are in need.

Your Prayer Ministry Team has changed over the years. Pat Hunter and Lily Moore have been leading since the beginning. Our lives have changed. We are asking those with a heart for prayer to step forward and take a leadership role. We have Katerine Reid and Mardi Welo, who are willing to write articles in The Vision. We have Audrey Tomchik who serves, for two months a year. Margaret Anne Haskell regularly visits the Prayer Room to be in the tranquil setting. Two people are serving as at home- phone prayer partners. They are: Georgia Foster 202-230-7415 and Lily Moore 321-355- 8697. They will pray with you and make sure your prayer concerns are posted in the Prayer Room.

We thank Pastor Richard for his emphasis on prayer with the prayer cards in the pews and at the entrances and his call to prayer on the first and third Mondays at 8:30 am in the sanctuary.

LET US THEN APPROACH GOD'S THRONE OF GRACE WITH CONFIDENCE, SO THAT WE MAY RECEIVE MERCY AND FIND GRACE TO HELP US IN OUR TIME OF NEED.

~HEBREWS 4:16

Lily Moore

Prayer Room Ministry

As a child raised in a liturgical church, I thought prayers needed to be said with special language. I heard "Thee" and "Thou", big words like anointed, sanctified, salvation, Redeemer etc. things I did not understand. So, somehow, I felt prayer was beyond my small grasp. Prayer must be for adults and people who understood the Old British sounding English sentences.

Later, at a chapel retreat someone gave me this mind-picture. "Jesus is sitting in a cozy room, maybe with a fireplace, with Tea for two. He is waiting for ME. He is looking forward to visiting and chatting together."

So, now prayer is a chance to just plain talk to Him, regular talk, everyday words, being real. He wants to be with us. He already knows what we think and feel, but He wants the interaction. Being wanted, being invited, this is Someone I can share my heart and know I am loved.



Mardi Welo