

SATELLITE BEACH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

450 Lee Avenue
Satellite Beach, FL 32937



Upcoming Sundays

April 6—Preparing Jesus—John 12:1-8
April 14—Praising Jesus—Luke 19:28-40
April 17—Maundy Thursday Service
April 20—Pursuing Jesus—John 20:1-18
April 27—Proving Jesus—John 20:19-31

More Information about SBUMC

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:
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

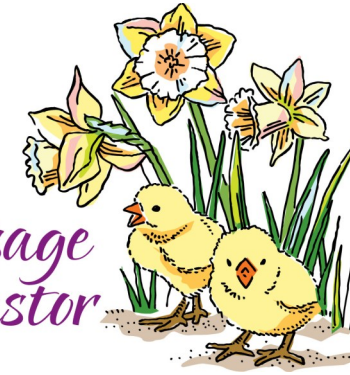
Where there is no Vision, the people perish.
Proverbs 29:18



April 2025

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church

Easter Message From the Pastor



“As they were walking along and talking, suddenly a chariot of fire appeared, drawn by horses of fire. It drove between the two men, separating them, and Elijah was carried by a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha saw it and cried out, ‘My father! My father! I see the chariots and charioteers of Israel!’” And as they disappeared from sight, Elisha tore his clothes in distress.” (2 Kings 2:11-12, NLT)

This event in the Old Testament is the inspiration for the title of the 1981 Oscar winning Best Picture, “Chariots of Fire.” A story based on two British athletes competing in the 1924 Paris Olympics. One was a devout Scottish Christian, Eric Lidell, and the other an English Jew named Harold Abrahams. Both struggle with balancing competition with identity; Lidell wants to honor God and Abrahams wants to fight against racism and antisemitism. Though they are from different worlds, their shared mission of winning at the Olympics unites them in another, greater task, making the world a better place in the face of evil and injustice.

Making a difference in our community and world is the goal of our mission as Christians. We are to be Difference Makers as we allow the Holy Spirit to increase our passion for following Jesus and involving ourselves in ministries that matter. Already in our Difference Makers Campaign we have made progress, and we are hopeful to make our goals each month in order to keep our vital ministries active and our church healthy and strong. But like Elisha, who received a double portion from Elijah after he was carried off in the Chariot of Fire, we need to continue

praying that God give us a double portion of the anointing we need to accomplish our goals and obey God in our giving. Elisha got this double portion because God granted him the privilege to inherit Elijah’s ministry and continue his mission into the future. We desire this here at Satellite Beach UMC as well. We want to see God’s glory bestowed on future generations so they grow in their calling to transform lives in the power of Jesus name.

Elijah and Elisha’s story reminds us of God’s faithfulness and reassurance of our calling and mission. We see the process of discipleship in their relationship of mentor and student. We see Elisha’s desire to be like his mentor and to carry forward the ministry for God’s glory. We also see how glorious God shows up and takes Elijah home in fire and whirlwind that allows him to enter paradise without dying. This last aspect of the story is a precursor to what Jesus will go through at Easter. Jesus does suffer and die, but on the third day he rises. Death is defeated and God’s new kingdom is established, making a difference in our eternal lives that begin when we place our faith in Christ’s saving grace. Elijah models the enduring faith every Christian needs and Elisha is our example of faithful discipleship and obedience to carry Christ’s mission forward on earth.

This Easter Season, may we allow God’s Resurrection power to open our eyes to his glorious plans for us. Will we walk with Jesus and each other to the Cross? Will we wait to experience the presence of our risen Lord and be filled with his pure love and courage? I pray that we experience Christ’s resurrection this Easter just like Elisha saw Elijah’s glorification. With Chariot’s of Fire and with the Whirlwind of God’s Fire in our midst, we will become the Difference Makers with the double portions of God’s grace, mercy, and generosity, to set ablaze the hearts of our community and our world.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Happy Easter,
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, *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, 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

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

MOVIE ON THE LAWN

SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH • POPCORN
ARRIVE AT 7:15 PM • BOTTLED WATER
MOVIE STARTS BY SUNSET • PLAYGROUND OPEN UNTIL DUSK
INDOOR VIEWING FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER • BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET

PG - 2012 - 1h 37m - Animation, Action, Family

Description: Generation after generation, immortal Guardians like Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, and the Tooth Fairy protect the world's children from darkness and despair. However, an evil boogeyman named Pitch Black schemes to overthrow the Guardians by obliterating children's belief in them. It falls to a winter sprite named Jack Frost to thwart Pitch's plans and save the Guardians from destruction.



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Retirement!

Retirement Party for Susan Siemer

May 4th 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Community Outreach Center

After 20 years serving as director of our preschool, Susan is retiring. To thank her for her service to our church and community we invite you to join us for lunch and memories. We would love to hear from current and former pre-school students and their families. For headcount purposes please let us know the number attending so that we can provide enough food.

RSVP with number attending before April 28th to Sbump@Sbumc.net or text your information to 321-698-7259

Sponsored by Preschool Advisory Team and preschool staff

Parsonage Tea

Join Terri at the parsonage for high tea and conversation at 1116 Cheyenne Drive, Indian Harbour Beach! Children welcome. Please RSVP to attend so we can reserve you a tea-cup!

We can only accommodate 14 at one time. Please sign up by year group. If your group is full, we will open additional days. Just sign on the bottom of the sheet with your year group.

Age 80+ May 6, 1pm
Age 65-80 May 8, 1pm
Age 64 and below May 10, 2pm



RSVP in back of sanctuary-14 seats per event available

HOLY WEEK Services

April 13 Palm Sunday

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

April 17 Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm

April 20 EASTER

- ◆ Sunrise Service at Pelican Park 6:30 am
- ◆ Contemporary Service 9:00 am
- ◆ Traditional Service 11:00 am

Preschool News!



VPK Lemonade Stand



Three Year Olds & Parents Planting Flowers



Difference Makers Campaign

The Difference Makers campaign kicked off on 9 March in glorious fashion! A tremendous “thank you” goes to Lily Moore. Lily not only started the campaign with a \$5,000 pledge in memory of Don Moore, but she also provided an incredibly moving and heartfelt video detailing her and Don’s life in our church. If you were not at the services on the 9th to watch the video, I encourage you to go to our church website, facebook or youtube and watch the service to see what Lily had to say. It will be a blessing to you.

As of the 22nd of March, two weeks since the campaign started, the congregation has contributed \$2,500 towards matching Lily’s \$5,000 pledge! Yes, we have matched half of the pledge in just two weeks! Thanks to everyone who has contributed.

As everyone knows, the Difference Makers campaign is about making a difference in our community and beyond. It takes both financial resources and time/energy to accomplish this goal. I encourage you not only to participate in the campaign with your monetary gifts, but also to become more involved with the church. If you listened to Lily’s video, you heard her describe all the ways she and Don were involved with the church over the years. There are numerous ways you can serve the church in our missions, our ministries, and/or donating your time to help in the church office.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the campaign.

Mark Binkley, Finance Chair

Children & Youth

Many thanks (in advance) to each of you who supplied treats, donated a love offering to purchase candy, and stuffed thousands of Easter eggs. Our Easter Egg Hunt will be a total success as always!

Family Game Night will be Friday, April 4th from 6:00-8:00PM. This is always free fun, but please RSVP by Sunday, March 30th.

I will be holding an Acolyting Training Class during the Sunday School hour (10:15-10:45AM) on Sunday, April 20th in room S3 located behind the Children’s Ministry room. This class will cover what acolyting is, why the UMC incorporates acolyting into our worship, and the proper way to acolyte. If interested, please contact me.

The youth group will meet at Pelican Beach on Sunday, April 13th from 5-7PM for sun, fun, food, and games. Parents will need to provide transportation to and from. All teens are welcome. Bring a friend!

VBS 2025 is July 21st-July 25th. Please contact me if you are able to help! We need ALL hands on deck to make it a success! There is also a volunteer sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary by the sound booth.



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*

APRIL CELEBRATIONS

- 4 Margaret Broussard
- 8 Amanda Avey
- 13 Joyce Slosser
- 21 Marcia Chamless
- Ryan Mitchell
- 24 Roseann Wiebe
- 25 Bobby Small, Jr.



*“We know that all things work together for good to those who love God.”
— Romans 8:28-30*

ORGANIZATIONS SENIOR MINISTRY SUPPORT

Humane Society

- (Still collecting)
- 9 cans of cat food
- 1 bag of cat litter
- 4 cans of dog food



*“Though April showers may come your way,
they bring the flowers that bloom in May.
So when it’s raining, have no regrets,
because it isn’t raining rain, you know,
it’s raining violets.”*

Lunch and a Movie

Lunch and a Movie will be held every other month. The next Lunch and a Movie will be held on May 21st.

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

The reason for Easter is not about candy, bunnies, or eggs, it is about celebrating Jesus Christ’s resurrection, since eggs symbolize new life and rebirth.

Palm Sunday is the day Jesus entered into Jerusalem and crowds waved palm branches to celebrate his entry.

Maundy Thursday is the day Jesus shared his last supper with the disciples and washed their feet as an act of service and humility.

Good Friday is the day commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at calvary.

Easter Sunday is the day that commemorates the resurrection of Jesus who rose from the dead and ascended into heaven.

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



Community Fellowship Ministry

On our February 23rd visit to the hotel, two pastors, their wives, seven children, and five other adults from three churches came out on a sunny Sunday afternoon to have food and fellowship!

Four LARGE pans of baked ziti was served with garlic bread, salad with tomatoes, and cupcakes – lots of cupcakes! A large box of food from the church pantry was available with all sorts of different food and snacks. We also had assorted bread from Publix for them.

Al Adams from Trinity Wellsprings Church brought extra musical instruments. The kids and many adults gathered 'round singing songs and tapping the tambourine as Al played the guitar. Such a great time for the kids. Music brings people together.

There is a gentleman who is basically blind from cataracts but is having difficulty getting the help he needs. He was given information to call Love, INC., who was able to help a client some time ago with the same problem. We will continue to follow up with him until he gets the help he needs.

It was a joyous day to see so many children laughing, running, playing and singing! Please keep us on your prayer list. It's working!!

Everyone is welcome to come by for a visit. We begin serving at 4pm the LAST Sunday of the month. Call me if you have any questions!

Kyle Henderson
321-446-4674

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

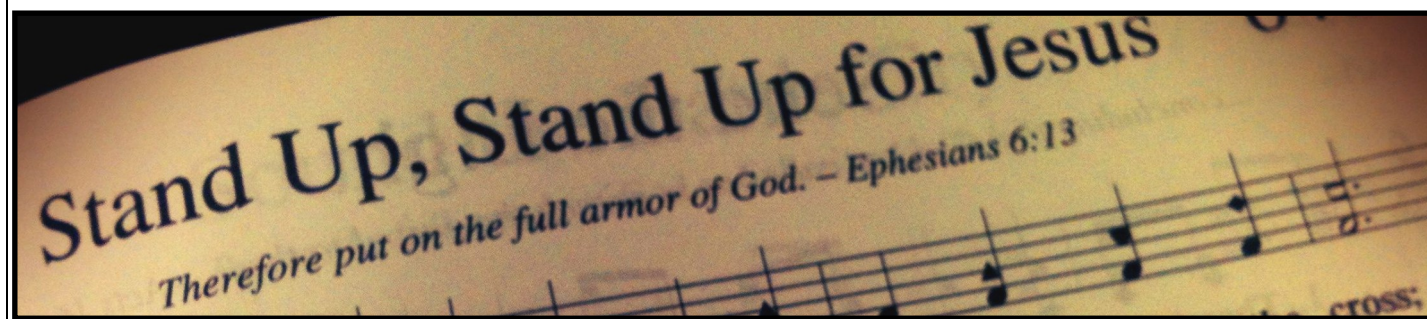
In Philadelphia, during the great revival of 1858, over 5000 gathered together to hear Rev. Dudley Tyng preach. As people gathered for this noonday prayer meeting, he used this opportunity to plead earnestly for each to "go now, ye that are men, and serve the Lord." It is said that over a thousand expressed a desire to become a Christian before the end of that meeting.

Just a few days later he left his study for a moment and went out to the barn to check on a mule he had harnessed to a machine that was shelling corn. When he patted the mule on his head, his sleeve caught in the cogs of the wheel, and his arm was frightfully torn. His injury lead to complications and a painful illness which resulted in his death. As he was dying, his father asked him if he had any message for his fellow ministers in the revival. He replied, "Let us all stand up for Jesus."

It was these words that inspired Dr. George Duffield, Jr. to preach a memorial service for his late friend. He chose as his text Ephesians 6:14 "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness." As a climax to the thought of the sermon, he shared a hymn that he had written based on Tyng's dying words.

The phrase "Ye that are men now serve Him," continues to live on today through the text of the popular hymn "Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus." Let these words echo as our battle cry against those that may oppose the cause of Christ.

Michel Avey, Choir Director



Prayer Ministry

Prayer

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The Difference

I got up early one morning
and rushed right into the day.
I had so much to accomplish
that I didn't have time to pray.

I tried to come into God's presence,
I used all my keys at the lock.
God gently and lovingly chided,
My child, you didn't knock."

Problems jut tumbled about me,
and heavier came each task.
"Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered.
He answered, " You didn't ask."

I woke up early this morning,
and paused before entering the day,
I had so much to accomplish
that I had to take time to pray.

I wanted to see joy and beauty,
but the day toiled on, gray and bleak.
I wondered why God didn't show me.
He said, "But you didn't seek."

