

# First United Methodist Church of Seffner

June 2021 Encourager Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- God's Great Adventure
   VBS—June 7 11—6:30 8:30 PM: Fellowship Hall.
- Father's Day—June 20
- Eastern Hillsborough Community Band Patriotic Concert—July 2—7:00 PM: Sanctuary

#### Birthdays:

June 1: Lynnsey McClamma June 1: Pat Turner June 4: Buster Mullins June 23: Bill Molson June 29: Paula Eaton July 2 Joyce Price July 6 Susan White July 8 Hannah Perez July 11 Jackie Sanelli July 18 Crystal Perez July 21 Russ Brink July 23 Judi Omer July 26 Joan Sampere July 30 Saskia Johnson July 31 Sid Fortner

#### Anniversaries:

June 16: Alan & Sue Bunch July 7 Jim & Sue Thompson

#### Sermon Series:

June 6: Nature Reveals God's Wisdom June 13: Nature Reveals God's Holiness June 20: Nature Reveals God's Faithfulness June 27: Nature Reveals God's Glory & Grace

#### Nature Reveals God

"Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created." Revelation 4:11

Who enjoys a beautiful day at the beach? Or a hike through the forest? Or maybe you enjoy camping?

Nature has a way of relaxing us and helping us reconnect. Have you ever just looked at the ocean and thought God is so awesome to create this beautiful view?

We have explored and seen some beautiful sights. The Appalachian Mountains are a place we like to explore. There is just something about hiking up to an overlook and looking out and seeing the world down below. We have also been to the Rocky Mountains and seen amazing views.

It's kind of funny that we live within 30 minutes of the beach, but don't go very often. Whenever we do make out way to the beach though, it is always amazing to see how the water knows just how far to go before it heads back into the sea. A beautiful sunset can take our breath away.

We experienced the joy of seeing spectacular waterfalls in Hawaii. There were several and they were each breathe taking and beautiful. One time we even got to experience Niagara Falls the amount of water and sound of millions of gallons of water gushing was fantastic. Which lead to a bit of disappointment when we saw Florida's waterfall, basically a trickle of water into a sinkhole.

Still with each of these adventures of the outdoors, we could experience God. It's amazing to think that God created this world and universe we live in. He made sure the water knew how to far go. He made sure the mountains were just the right heights. He created the sun, moon, and stars to shine in our sky. He planned for the animals to gather in a tortoise hole when danger lurks in a forest fire. God is truly amazing.

The next time you adventure out into the great outdoors, take a moment and look around. Take time to remember who created this wonderful world we live and thank Him for it.

Pastor Brian & Diana





Vacation Bible School June 7<sup>th</sup>- 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM Registration Forms Available on the website. We will see how nature reveals God's wisdor

We will see how nature reveals God's wisdom, holiness, faithfulness, glory, and grace. Come join us for a week of adventure, crafts, and seeing how we can help the great world we live in.

#### **God's Great Adventure Needs List**

Stuffed animal alligator Stuffed animal moose Stuffed animal bighorn sheep Stuffed animal eagle Stuffed animal bison Stones Paint Fleece fabric Large binder clips Bird seed Sunflower butter Life savers Starburst Payday Paper clips Mounds

Googly eyes Hershey Kisses **Black Marker** Gum Tootsie rolls Yarn Stickers **Peppermint patties** Sunflower seeds to plant Hole punch Cardboard Large Pinecones Flowers-dried or fake Bouncy balls Rubber bands Flashlights White paper plates Trail Mix Brown Paint Fruit Snacks Glue Snickers Shaving cream Paint brushes Plastic forks **Construction Paper** Brown, white, & yellow Construction paper

# Back to School Bash

Water Fun & School Supplies

July 31<sup>st</sup> 10 AM – 1 PM

Come join us for water fun, lunch, and backpacks with school supplies. We plan to order 17 inch backpacks with 18 school items in each one for \$6.60 each if you would like to donate.



Who is ready for a fun time singing, dancing, and learning about God and the Bible? Any child from the age of to can join us.

We will finish up the Fruits of the Spirit faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. We will start In the Beginning.

If you aren't able to join us for worship then check out the link on our First United Methodist of Seffner Facebook page. Mrs. Diana is sharing the message there.



# Praise & Worship 7 PM

Open to all ages, we worship with newer praise songs, hear a message, and break off into age groups. We then join back together for game time.

# Embark

July 11th – 18<sup>th</sup>

Youth and Young Adult Week

We will begin our week with Thrive service and

then we will go on different adventures throughout the week which may include: The Airosphere, Tampa Bay Gran Prix, Cosmic Bowling, Beach, Canoeing, Tree Hoppers Aerial Adventure Park, Adventures Archery, Bury the Hatchet Tampa,

or Legends Escape Room and we may do some community service.

We will finish the week with our Thrive service.

# Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 9 AM

Join Pastor Brian for our Men's Bible Study in the Good News Room. We are meeting June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

## Women's Bible Study

# Mondays at 7 PM

We will continue on the Bible Study "The Gospel of Mark" in the Old Nursery. All our Welcome to Join. We are meeting on June 14, 21, 28.

June 7-11: God's Great Adventure VBS: 6:30 PM—8:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

June 6: Pre-Annual Florida Conference: 3:00 PM—4:30 PM - Virtual

June 7-12: Florida Annual Conference: Virtual

June 6, 13, 20, 27: Thrive Praise & Worship: Sundays, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

June 14, 21, 28: TOPS Club Meeting: Mondays, 5:45 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

June 14, 21, 28: Aerobics: Mondays, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

June 14, 21, 28: Women's Bible Study: Mondays, 7:00 PM in the old Nursery.

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Men's Bible Study: Wednesdays, 9:00 AM in the Good News Room.

June 2, 16, 23, 30: Worship Singers Rehearsal: Wednesdays, 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

June 13: Trustees Meeting: Sunday, 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

June 20: Father's Day

June 25: Emmaus Reunion Group: Friday, 6:30-8:30 PM in the Good News Room.



### **Alter Flower Calendar**

Please consider providing altar flowers in honor or memory of your friends and loved ones. These flowers not only grace our worship center with their beauty but honor loved ones as the church community gathers for worship each Sunday. The cost is only \$25.00. Please note your payment is for altar flowers. Sign up on the flower calendar on the door outside the sanctuary.



# **Stewardship Minute**

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7

Our Giving for May: \$20,824.68

#### **Giving Options**

Your donations to the church may be brought to Sunday Worship Services, mailed or made by PayPal online. Thank you so much for your support!

<u>Mail:</u>

P.O. Box 607

Seffner, FL 33583

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Monday:	Monday: Meals on Wheels	Morning (FH)
	Venture Crew	6:30 p.m.
	Boy Scouts	7:30 p.m.

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