



“Oh wait . . . there are two spots you didn’t even know you had. I’ll take care of these along with the others!” These were the words of my dermatologist when I went in to have some skin cancer removed. I went in for two spots, but because of his very trained eye, he was able to spot two more that I didn’t even see or recognize. It was his trained eye that made a world of difference. I wasn’t trained to see them, but he was.

The same can be said for our spiritual training. As we mature in Christ, we are bound to see things or get to know things about God that others without a trained spiritual eye are not able to see. People often wonder where God is. Those with trained spiritual eyes are able to see God’s good works all around them. Like my dermatologist, they have a skill that some others do not.

As we enter into the month of August, let’s ask ourselves the question: Are we developing our spiritual sight? We need to be “in tune” with what God is doing. Let’s “tune” into Him this month and develop our spiritual sight!

- Pastor Steve

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CONNECTED IN *Community* WORSHIP



Transformation Sermon Series

The metamorphosis of the caterpillar to the butterfly is one of the greatest examples of transformation in nature. In relation to our spiritual lives, the caterpillar is seen as what we were prior to becoming a child of God. The chrysalis is a picture of our baptism into Christ whereby we die to our old self and through that process are brought into new life with God. The butterfly represents the new creature we are in Christ. "Soar we now where Christ has led"—into the sky above the clouds. The rainbow colors convey God's promise of faithfulness to see us through this dynamic process of life-giving change!

—Pastor Scooter

In August, we continue our sermon series on John's first letter, which extends throughout the summer:

Sunday, August 3rd | 10a CDT

"Transformation: A Study of 1 John"
1 John 4:7-16

Sunday, August 10th | 10a CDT

"Transformation: A Study of 1 John"
1 John 5:1-5

Sunday, August 17th | 10a CDT

"Transformation: A Study of 1 John"
1 John 5:6-12

Sunday, August 24th | 10a CDT

"Transformation: A Study of 1 John"
1 John 5:13-21

Sunday, August 31st | 10a CDT

"Conformed"
Romans 8:28-30

Invite someone to church and let's all grow together in the Lord. Let's keep our spiritual momentum up as we go into the summer months!

GIVING AS WORSHIP

See *Financial Focus*
article on page 9.



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CONNECT

Points of Contact in Our Faith Family

At Community Church, we are all about connecting. There are several opportunities for you to connect with your church family, here's a few to consider:

- Our **Prayer Time** is held each Sunday at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall.
- Our **Refreshment Table** is loaded with goodies and coffee every Sunday, and folks gather at 9:35am.
- **The family that worships together stays together**, and each Sunday is another opportunity to worship as a family of faith, **starting at 10am**.
- Our **Membership Seminars** offered throughout the year give you an overview of our church.
- Our **Fellowship Meals** are a great time to meet and fellowship with others.
- Our **Community Church Women, Learning through Loss** grief support group, and the **Pathways Men's Ministry** are great options to connect as well.
- **Serving together** is a great way to connect, see **page 5** for opportunities to connect in serving.

Let's Celebrate Our Staff:

- **Steve Squires**, Pastor - Hired 8/1/20 (5+ Yrs)
- **Rob Dickson**, Facilities Manager – Hired 8/18/08 (18+Yrs)



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GROW

New Bible Study on Joshua

Israel, through its disobedience, was unable (40 years earlier) to enter the Promised Land. They refused to trust the power of God and His promise to give them a place to rest. Under the direction of Moses, they spent those 40 years in the wilderness.

Enter Joshua. Joshua is the new ordained leader to take over the leadership of the Israelites after Moses passing. God promises Joshua that as long as he is trusting God and faithful to follow Him, the Israelites will enter the promised land. Joshua is told to be "strong and courageous" in his taking of the Promised Land. Joshua is the leader of the new generation of Israelites.

The book of Joshua is a pivotal one in the story of Israel. Its importance is not just merely the telling of the story of the entrance into the land that God had promised them. The story is a story about God, His faithfulness, and how we understand Him. The taking of the Promised Land is as much about God as it is about the Israelites.

I would invite you to join us for Wednesday lunch Bible study at 11:45am as we examine the book of Joshua. Our Wednesday Bible study is a great opportunity to learn, as well as, spend some time in fellowship with others. Please see Pastor Steve if you would like to attend.



Join Us for this Special Message

CONFORMED

Sunday, August 31st | 10am



CONNECTED IN
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SERVE

We wanted to take this time to thank those who serve our community as part of our usher and hospitality team. These faithful servants welcome members and visitors faithfully every Sunday. They are the first impression many guests receive when they come to visit our church. I want to say a very special thanks to Mr. Jim Lockwood for his leadership of this ministry.

The team is down a few people, so we would appreciate some more folks being willing to step up and serve 1 or 2 times a month. It is a great way to meet people and make them feel welcome. See Jim Lockwood for details.

SPECIAL THANKS TO FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVE US:

- Church Board
- Church Finance Team
- Worship & Media Ministry Team
- Ushers & Hospitality Team
- The Local (Community Church Youth Ministry)
- Community Light Family Ministry Team
- Preschool Prayer Pals Ministry
- Special Events (Fall Festival, VBS, etc.)
- Ukulele Ministry
- Prayer Team
- Congregational Care Ministry
- VANgels Ministry
- Community Church Women's Ministry (CCW)
- Pathways Men's Ministry
- Small Group Leaders (Bible Studies, Discipleship)
- Learning through Loss Grief Support Ministry
- Fellowship Lunches Team Members

Please prayerfully consider areas above where you might be willing to serve at Community Church.



CONNECTED IN *Community* REACH

LOCALLY

- Preschool & Family Ministry (pp.7-8)
- Ukulele Ministries (p.10)
- Caring & Sharing of South Walton
- Point Washington Medical Clinic
- El Shaddai Hispanic Ministry
- Be Generous Ministry
- 331 Food Bank (Annual PBJ Drive)



GLOBALLY

- Wycliffe Bible Translators
- Samaritan's Purse / OCC
- Mission Aviation Fellowship
- Toys for Tots
- Porch de Salomon (Guatemala)

Please pray for all teachers and students for this school year.

Learning Through Loss Grief Support Group

Sometimes our road is rough and lonely but we have confidence in God's holy power on us!
We are not quitters who lose out... we will survive, trusting Him all the way. Heb 10:39

If you are hurting and struggling with your loss, please join us for Learning Through Loss at 1pm on Tuesdays in the Chapel of Santa Rosa Beach Community Church

Meetings on August 5th, 19th & 26th (Chapel)
Contact Gerry at 678-925-2017



August 2025

Community CALENDAR

MONTHLY REMINDERS:

- August 12th First day of School/Preschool
- August 17th Move Up weekend ((KC)
- LTL moves to Wednesdays in September!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Office Closed	2
3 Communion 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 4:30p El Shaddai 6p Paul Seminar (FH) 6p The Local (Ups)	4 10a Staff Mtg	5 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	6 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct)	7 7p El Shaddai	8 Office Closed	9
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17 KC Move up 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	18 10a Staff Mtg 3:30p Ukesters (ups)	19 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	20 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs)	21 3:30p Ukes (ups) 7p El Shaddai	22 Office Closed	23
24 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 11:15a CCW (FH) 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	25 10a Staff Mtg 1:15p Finance mtg (FH) 2p Board mtg (FH) 3:30p Ukesters (ups)	26 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	27 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct.)	28 3:30p Ukes (ups)	29 Office Closed	30
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Community Connection

August 2025 Edition

Jesus Said "Let the little children come to me..." - Matthew 19:14

Upcoming Events

July 24- Last day of Summer Camp
 Aug 4-8 Teacher Planning
 Aug 11- Parent Orientation
 Aug 12- First day of 25-26 school year
 Aug 12- BooHoo Breakfast
 Aug 19- Chapel Begins
 Aug 21- Spanish Class Begins
 Aug 26- Parent Buzz Activity in lobby
 Aug 29- Preschool closes at 12PM

Letter From the Director

Welcome back to the 2025-2026 school year!! We are beyond excited to see all the smiling faces each day! We had a very successful and fun Summer Camp Program.

Parent orientation will be on August 11th 2025.

Please make sure you bring in a school health form (physical) and an updated shot record on the FL form.

August 12th will be the first day of preschool- come early to get your first day pics and be sure to join us for the boo hoo breakfast (special for the parents)!

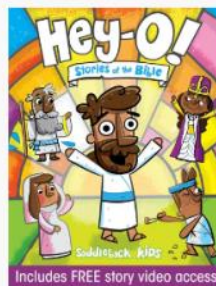
We look forward to kicking off a great year with everyone!

Welcome
 ★ TO NEW ★
SCHOOL
 • YEAR •

What's new at the school?

This month we have been preparing things to welcome the students back in just a few weeks. We bought new emergency backpacks and all the supplies to go inside of them, including a life-saving choking device. We also implemented walkie-talkies so that teachers have a better way to communicate, especially during an emergency.

We also ordered new nap mats and some additional educational materials to each classroom. We have also revamped our Chapel program, incorporating new books and materials.



FAMILY MINISTRIES

KIDS' CONNECTION

For our preschoolers we look at how God created all the amazing things around us!

In Elementary we look at how our FAITH begins when we remember how God has been at work from the start.

THE LOCAL

This year, we are looking at the "Tread" a study that helps us look at how the whole of Scripture points to Jesus. We hope teens come and hang out with us to learn all about Jesus in a fun environment with food, games, & great discussion.

We enjoyed our first group outing at Rainforest Mini Golf!

EVENTS

Move up weekend

August 17th

August brings back school and as kids join their new grades, We are moving up too!





Financial FOCUS

June Contributions @ 6/30/25 **\$21,982**

June Expenses @ 6/30/25: **\$69,687**

We have a giving time on Sunday morning. There are 3 reasons on a Sunday morning why we carve out a few minutes to talk about finances, and why we create an opportunity to give back to God.

1. Throughout the Bible, people honored God with their possessions.

The first book of the Bible is Genesis. We see many instances where people gave offerings to God. They took something of value to them and gave it back to Him.

So that's the first reason we give—to credit God as the provider of all that we have. Our tendency is to believe that since we work hard to get paid, we've earned it. While we should certainly work hard and earn payment, everything still belongs to God. As it says in James, "Every good gift comes from above."

2. Giving changes our hearts.

The mission of our church is to create disciples that seek God and serve people. Nothing puts us in that position more than loosening our grip on the stuff that's valuable to us. When we let go of stuff, we make space for God. We trust Him more. And in the midst of that trust, we experience intimacy with Him.

3. Giving fuels the church.

Inside the first church in the book of Acts, we read about believers who brought what they had to the church. The church, in turn, used it to do ministry. These days, a lot of people hesitate to give because they've seen how some churches manage their money. If you're skeptical in that area, we want you to know that we totally get it. In fact, that's why we have a finance team and a board of directors, and an open book policy with our money. We have so many checks and balances to ensure that when you give here, we will handle it well. We want to build your trust as a giver.

Our vision is big, and we need resources to accomplish it. We believe the local church is the hope of the world. Because of that, we use giving time to help the church accomplish a lot for His kingdom!

— Pastor Steve

UKULELE MINISTRY

COMMUNITY
UKESTERS



The **Community Ukes** includes all ages, but is mostly made up of adults, from beginning to advanced players. Students are expected to practice weekly and perform monthly for both Watercrest and The Blake Memory Care Facilities. We are on a short break until September 8th, when our regular schedule of ukulele will begin again with accompanying outreaches. Check out our write-up and info at uke.srbcc.com.

The **Community Ukesters** are primarily made up of elementary-aged children. Students are taught how to play the ukulele and are expected to practice weekly and perform monthly at the Somerby Memory Care Facility. **Ukesters will have beginner classes in August** We have **24 enrolled in our group with 8 new students!**



Class sizes are limited and open on a first come, first served basis at the beginning of the school year and/or new calendar year.

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the group, contact Pastor Scooter at 850-267-2599 or email him at assocpastor@srbcc.com to check availability or get on the waiting list, as space is limited.





At Community Church, we desire to build a healthy community of maturing Jesus followers across every age and stage of life.



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