



We have been studying Joshua in our Wednesday lunch Bible study. Joshua tells the story of the Israelites capturing and entering into the land that God had promised Abraham years back. The story is interesting in that God didn't plan on the Israelites taking the land by military means and with their own power. His plan was for them to "attack" the city with unconventional means and not depending on their might. The point? God wanted the Israelites to be obedient and follow His plan, even if they didn't understand it.

What about our lives? We all have things that we are trying to do or problems that we are facing. That being said, the question is; "Do we lean on our own ability or perhaps do we need to listen God and solve our problems through prayer, Bible reading, and community?" The Israelites took the promised land not by their own power, but God's. And when that happens, God gets all the glory.

As we go through the month of October, let us all agree that when we encounter problems we will lean on God first and not our own understanding!

- Pastor Steve

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## CONNECTED IN

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#### **New Series begins This Month!**

"Faith & the Everyday" is a journey through 1 Peter, reminding us that following Jesus isn't reserved for Sundays. Like a push pin on a calendar, we're invited to place our faith into every moment—at work, at home, in trials, and in triumphs. God doesn't just know the number of our days—He wants to shape how we live each one. This series challenges us to let Him guide our plans and anchor our purpose in His greater story.

—Pastor Scooter

In October, we continue the sermon series on First Peter, which extends throughout the fall months:

#### Sunday, October 5th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life" 1 Peter 2:1-10

#### Sunday, October 12th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life" 1 Peter 2:21-25

#### Sunday, October 19th | 10a CDT Illuminated Messiah

Ephesians 2:10

#### Sunday, October 26th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life"
1 Peter 4:1-11

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 fall months!

#### **GIVING AS WORSHIP**

See *Financial Focus* article on page **9.** 





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#### 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.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

- Illuminated Messiah Exhibit October 18th at 6pm
- Fellowship Luncheon October 26th after service
- Fall Festival October 26th at 4:30pm



## Illuminated Messiah at Community Church

The Art, The Artist, and The Almighty Author

This October 18–19 at Community Church, we'd love for you to join us for a very special two-day event with "Illuminated Messiah" Exhibit by artist Tim Gagnon.

This breathtaking collection features 66 original panels—one for each book of the Bible—woven together to reveal the beautiful story of the Messiah throughout all of Scripture.

<u>Saturday, October 18 at 6p (Fellowship Hall):</u> Come enjoy hors d'oeuvres, see the artwork up close, and hear from the artist himself in a relaxed evening gathering.

<u>Sunday, October 19 at 10a (Sanctuary):</u> Experience the full 12-foot display as part of our Sunday worship celebration, with a special message and music to help us reflect on the hope we have in Christ.

This weekend is a wonderful chance to see powerful art, encounter God's story in a fresh way, and be reminded that we are all part of His masterpiece. Bring your family and friends—we don't want anyone to miss it!





Join Us for Prayer & New Bible Study

Sundays @ 8:30a in the Fellowship Hall

Starting September 28th!



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)



# Community Ukes Memory Care Outreaches

Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> – Watercrest at 10:45am Oct 30<sup>th</sup> – The Blake at 10:30am



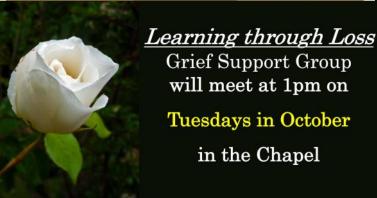
# Community Ukesters

Outreach Somerby Memory Care Sun. October 26th at 1:30p

#### **GLOBALLY**

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









## **OCTOBER 2025**



#### **MONTHLY REMINDERS:**

- Illuminated Messiah October 18-19
- Fellowship Luncheon Oct. 26th
- Fall Festival on October 26th at 4:30p

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# Community Connection October 2025 Edition

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





Chapel time in preschool helps children begin to build a foundation of faith in a way that is age-appropriate and engaging. It provides a consistent time each week for children to hear Bible stories, sing songs, and pray together, fostering a sense of community and belonging. Chapel also nurtures children's spiritual development while supporting values such as kindness, respect, and gratitude that carry over into their everyday lives.



Ms. Susan was born and raised in Florida. She lives in Panama City Beach. Susan has two children. Her daughter keeps her busy outside of work with cross-country. Susan loves animals and has four fur babies of her own. She loves Disney and college football. Susan is a fan of FSU- Go Noles!

Susan is starting her second year with us at Community Church Preschool but is no stranger to early education. She has spent thirteen years as a preschool teacher. Susan has extensive training and taken many college courses of the years. When she is not working, Susan enjoys spending time at the beach and with her kids.

#### **Preschool Chapel**

Chapel time is one of the most meaningful parts of our week at Community Church Preschool. Each week, our children gather together to sing, pray, and hear Bible stories that teach them about God's love in ways they can understand. These moments help build a strong foundation of faith, kindness, and joy that they carry with them into their daily lives.

At Community Church Preschool, chapel is more than a lesson—it's a time to nurture hearts, grow in faith, and celebrate the love of Jesus with our little ones.

We base our Chapel time off of God's Big 10 Rules. Each month children learn a new one. Below is the full list so that you can begin to work with your child at home.







# FAMILY MINISTRIES

# KIDS' CONNECTION



We are introducing a new curriculum this year! Lift is a kids curriculum that looks to teach "Jesus Every Week!"

We all have different abilities, talents, advantages, resources, and skills. And God cares about what we do with them.

### THE LOCAL

Join us as we seek to help teens live out their faith! We are currently reading through the Gospels, seeing Jesus' life and ministry play out, and how we should model our lives off of His perfect one.

### **EVENTS THIS MONTH**

#### Fall Festival October 26<sup>th</sup> 4:30-6:30

Join us for a fun night of Trunk-or-Treating, games, food, photos, and family fun!

Want to help? Volunteer by decorating your trunk, helping with food, or running a game station.

Bring your family, invite friends, and celebrate fall with us!

#### The Local: Beach Bible Study October 19th @ 6pm

Grab your friends and join us for a night of faith, fun, and ocean views.

We'll hang out, dive into God's Word, and enjoy the beach together. Don't miss it!

## CONTACT

Reach out to Alex with any questions, or if you are interested in being involved in any of our upcoming events.

Email: families@srbcc.com Text: 850-610-8012



August Contributions @ 8/31/25 **\$31,943**August Expenses @ 8/31/25: **\$62,143** 

As Christians, it is important to see thing through the eyes of God. When God sees us and our lives (including the life of the church at large). He sees not just our failures or challenges, but also our successes and faithfulness - it's always a mixed bag.

The numbers you see above present us with a challenging problem as a community. But as we see through the eyes of God we also seen an opportunity! This is an opportunity to give to the vision of the church and to the Kingdom of God. In our weakness God is strong. When we aren't enough - God is.

So, I am inviting you to do two things as we enter into October. First - pray. Pray that God will do a work with our finances and aid us in getting where we need to be. Second - please give. God will do something great if His people step up to the plate and are His hands and feet. You can write a check, give cash, give online (set up a recurring gift as long as you are giving online) or give through your investments. Give a weekly, monthly, or yearly gift. However you give - just give!

Thanks for supporting the ministry of SRBCC. We are a part of expanding the Kingdom of God . . . and that is a good place to be!

— Pastor Steve



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 our outreaches, Our outreach for Watercrest is scheduled on October 23rd and The Blake Memory Care Facility on October 30th. Check out our write-up and info at <a href="https://www.uke.srbcc.com">uke.srbcc.com</a>.

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. We have **26 enrolled in our group with 9 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 <a href="mailto:assocpastor@srbcc.com">assocpastor@srbcc.com</a> 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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