



Community CONNECTION

September 2025

I'm not sure about you, but I know that sometimes I go through life wondering if I am making a difference. I spend a lot of time interacting with people and sometimes I wonder, "Do I make a difference in their lives?" On good days, I think I am; on the bad ones, I feel like I'm not. I doubt, like everyone else does.

Let me encourage you today. As you go through this month, I want you to know that you matter. You not only matter to our church, but you matter to those you come in contact with. You might have heard this phrase: "You might be the only Bible that people ever read." I believe this is true. You may not feel like you are sharing Christ enough or sharing with others about the church enough. That may or may not be true (only you know that). What I know is true is that just by living out your faith and loving others, you share who Christ is. Put it another way: actions speak louder than words.

This month is the month that someone will look to you and ask: "Is this what Christ looks like?" You can happily know that the answer is "yes" and that you are making a difference!

- Pastor Steve

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CONNECTED IN *Community* WORSHIP

FAITH & EVERYDAY LIFE

A Series on 1st Peter



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 September, we begin a new sermon series on First Peter, which extends throughout the fall months:

Sunday, September 7th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life"

1 Peter 1:3-9

Sunday, September 14th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life"

1 Peter 1:10-12

Sunday, September 21st | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life"

1 Peter 1:13-21

Sunday, September 28th | 10a CDT

"Faith & Everyday Life"

1 Peter 1:22-25

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

- Our next fellowship potluck will be on Sunday, September 21st, immediately following the Worship Service.



CONNECTED IN
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GROW

PRAY FIRST: 30 DAYS OF PRAYER

This month, we are focusing our efforts on growing in personal prayer. We are asking everyone to commit to praying daily for our church, leadership, staff, and ministries. We have provided several resources to assist you in the process.

First, we have a **Prayer Calendar** that provides daily focus areas to concentrate on prayer more generally for our church. You can pick up a Prayer Calendar from the church office or visit PRAY.SRBCC.COM to access it electronically.

Second, we have a **Prayer Guidebook**, which serves as a devotional and offers guidance on prayer, using the pattern of the Lord's Prayer. It also provides more specific requests for our church for each DAY of the Week. You can also pick one of these up at church or online at PRAY.SRBCC.COM.

Third, our pastors will provide **Weekly Encouragement Videos** (via online/app) to motivate, encourage, and guide you as you pray. Pastor Steve will kick off the week with his videos every Monday of the month, while Pastor Scooter wrap up the week with his videos every Friday of the month. Visit PRAY.SRBCC.COM to access the videos.

Lastly, join us each **Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30am** for our prayer time.

We hope you will take this opportunity to grow in faith and practice daily prayer.

— Pastor Scooter

PRAY FIRST
30 DAYS OF PRAYER

SEPT 2025

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Pickup a prayer calendar & book today

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

Our studies on managing and growing through faith during grief can help as you or your friends face these circumstances. If you would like further information please contact the church office.

**Meetings in September 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
(Chapel)**

Contact Gerry at 678-925-2017



SEPTEMBER 2025

Community CALENDAR

MONTHLY REMINDERS:

- 30 Days of Prayer Emphasis
- Membership Seminar Sept. 7th
- Fellowship Luncheon on Sept. 21st

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Office Closed Labor Day Holiday	2	3 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct.)	4 10a Ukes Rehearsal (upstairs)	5 Office Closed	6 10:30a CCW Caring & Sharing
7 Communion 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 11:15a Membership Seminar 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	8 10a Staff Mtg 3:15p Ukesters (ups)	9 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	10 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct.) (Sanct)	11 7p El Shaddai	12 Office Closed	13
14 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 11:15a Membership Seminar (FH) 4:00p Aspire (Crosspoint) 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	15 10a Staff Mtg 3:15p Ukesters (ups)	16 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	17 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct.)	18 10:45a Ukes Outreach (Watercrest) 12p Men's Small Group (Maple St Biscuit)	19 Office Closed	20 8:00a Ukes Performance (Props @ Hammock Bay)
21 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 11:15a Fellowship Luncheon (FH) 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	22 10a Staff Mtg 1:15p Board & Finance Mtg (FH) 3:15p Ukesters (ups)	23 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)	24 10a Bible Study (Brookdale) 11:45a Bible Study (Upstairs) 3p WT Practice (Sanct.)	25 10:30a Ukes Outreach (The Blake memory care) 7p El Shaddai	26 Office Closed	27
28 8:30a Prayer (FH) 8:45a Bible Study 10a Worship & KC 1:30p Ukes (Somerby) 4:30p El Shaddai 6p The Local (ups.)	29 10a Staff Mtg 3:30p Ukesters (ups)	30 1p LTL (Chapel) 6p El Shaddai (FH)				



Community Connection

September 2025 Edition

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

Upcoming Events

Aug 29- Early Release Day @ 12pm
Sept 1- Labor Day Holiday (closed)
Sept 9- Grandparents Day- Bagels and Books event in lobby @ 9am
Sept 17- Picture Day
Sept 18- Parents Buzz Activity
Sept 23- Make-Up Picture Day
Sept 24 & 25- Parent Teacher Conferences- More info to come

Teacher Spotlight

Ms. Mary Barnes



Ms. Mary was born in Italy. Her parents came to this country when she was 11 months old. She is the oldest of 5. Mary lived my whole life in Chicago, IL until moving to FL 3 years ago. She is married to her best friend, Joe. They have been best friends since the 4th grade. Together, they are blessed with three grown children and five grandchildren. She graduated from Carthage College with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

Ms. Mary is our lead teacher in the two year old classroom and is on her second year with us. Mary also is our before and after school teacher Tuesday-Thursday. Make sure you stop by and say hello! We are blessed to have her on our team!

Letter From the Director

Dear Families,

What a joy it is to welcome you to a brand-new school year! The first days of school always bring such excitement- fresh faces, familiar smiles, and the anticipation of all that God has in store for our children this year. Our classrooms are ready, our teachers are prepared, and our hearts are filled with gratitude as we begin another year of learning, laughter and growth together.

At our school, we believe that every child is a unique gift from God, and it is our privilege to walk alongside you in nurturing their hearts, minds, and spirits. As a reminder, we do offer a new 4-day and 5-day preschool option for our families, creating the flexibility you need while providing your child with a consistent, loving, and enriching environment. No matter if your child attends 3 days, 4 days or 5 days, they will be immersed in engaging activities, faith-filled lessons, and joyful experiences that build a strong foundation for lifelong learning.

Our teachers have been prayerfully preparing for your little ones, and cannot wait to see how they grow in knowledge, confidence, and kindness throughout the year. Together, we will celebrate milestones big and small, encourage curiosity and creativity, and most importantly, remind our children daily of how deeply loved they are by God.

Thank you for entrusting us with your precious children. It is an honor to partner with you, and I look forward to a wonderful year filled with blessings, discoveries, and treasured memories.

**HAPPY
LABOR
DAY**



FAMILY MINISTRIES

KIDS' CONNECTION



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

This month we will learn all about Job and how he followed God even in times of sadness and trouble.

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.

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Prayer Pal Matching April 19 @ 10am

We are excited to welcome our preschool friends. We would love to invite you to join us in praying for them, their families, and teachers this school year. The names of the new students are in the Pascher Foyer

The Local Kick Off: Worlds Greatest Donut September 21st @ 6pm

Think you know the best donut of all time? At this fall kickoff, YOU get to decide! Students will vote their way through a donut bracket until we crown the World's Greatest Donut.

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



Financial FOCUS

July Contributions @ 7/31/25 **\$49,449**

July Expenses @ 7/31/25: **\$58,774**

Faithfulness - it matters. Sometimes we don't feel like we are making a difference or we can't see the fruits of our labor. Nevertheless, God calls us to be faithful in our efforts. Sure, sometimes it's hard to see if your effort makes a difference; but we certainly don't quit, so stay faithful because God is faithful to us.

We had an exceptional month of giving as you can see above. We also had an unusual amount of expenses. These expenses are due in large part to some building repairs we were faced with.

Because of your faithfulness, our giving was great. In addition, because of your faithfulness, we will meet our budget for this year, despite perhaps feeling like we won't. I am confident that we will!

Let's stay faithful in our giving. Why? Your faithfulness matters!

— Pastor Steve

UKULELE MINISTRY

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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 resume our rehearsals on Thursday, September 4th. Our outreaches are scheduled later in the month. 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 resume rehearsals on September 8th.** We have **23 enrolled in our group with 7 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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