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Pastor

## October 2018 Church Newsletter

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### A Message from the Pastor

I'm very excited about some of things going on in the church right now. As I write this article we are working with three other churches in Seabrook to collect Hurricane Relief supplies for North Carolina. It's exciting to see churches working together and exciting to see how God has provided not only the truck to get the supplies to North Carolina but also all the donations! This time next month I am sure I will be complimenting John Mayes for cooking the pig and ham-burgers for the Seabrook Community of Churches picnic on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September!

The Men's Ministry and the Women's Ministry are both off to a great start this season. The men kicked it off with a steak dinner (thanks John Mayes). They're studying the Old Testament book of 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel. The ladies are being knitted together with part two of their "hands on" Bible study. Last season they made six beautiful quilts that were given to people fighting cancer. This season, after a light Bible study, they are being taught to knit by Eileen Morse.

We are starting our first Financial Peace University on Oct 11<sup>th</sup>. This is being led by Scott and Melissa Apley. There are some spots still available for this highly recommended ministry!

Wednesday evening attendance has increased the last few weeks. I am praying that this is a sign that more of you are serious about continuing to grow in your faith. Discipleship is so vitally important to sustained Christian growth. Come join us at Wednesdays at 6:30 for prayer and praise and then the study in 1<sup>st</sup> Peter at 7pm.

However, as we approach the holiday season may I humbly remind us all of something I read somewhere? I don't remember where I read this, but it went something like this, "Busyness is not a spiritual gift." Church people...let...that...sink...in. As thrilled as I am with all that is going on in our church and all that will be going on in the next few months, please do not neglect your relationship with the Lord and with your family over church involvement. Sometimes we confuse being busy with being spiritual. When you find yourself planted in the too busy camp, remember this verse:

Psalm 46:10 Be still and know that I am God.

I am looking forward to the next few months in our church with you! God is so good!

God bless,  
Pastor Rob

### October Calendar

#### YOUTH-MONTH LONG FOCUS Socktober Butter Braid Fundraiser

#### Monday, October 1

- Hurricane Relief Truck leaves for Lumberton, NC.

#### Sunday, October 7

- Lord's Supper Services

#### Thursday, October 11

- Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University begins

#### Friday, October 12-20

- Humanitarian Work in Vietnam

#### Saturday, October 13

- Youth ~ Go Kart & Laser Tag

#### Sunday, October 14

- Baby Boy Shower for Rachel Kerry and Rebecca Miller

#### Wednesday, October 17

- Church Council Must Meeting

#### Thursday, October 18

- Ladies Lunch Bunch

#### Saturday, October 20

- November Newsletter Deadline

# Weekly Schedule

## Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 9:30 am .....	1st Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	1st Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	Children's Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Berean Adult Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Youth Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	1st Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am .....	2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
1:15 — 2:00 pm .....	Retirement Ministry Worship Service .....	(No service on 1st Sunday) Regal Estates, 500 Enterprise, League City
5:00 — 6:00 pm ..	Women's Ministry Bible Study "Knitted Together" .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Monday

6:30 pm...	Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship "Raising Samuel" .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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## Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades) .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Prayer, Praise and Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Thursday

6:30 pm.....	Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University .....	<b>*begins 10/11</b> 1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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## Regular Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

## October 2018 Tellers

<b>Oct 07</b> .....	John & Cheryl Harrison, Norma Keeler & Margie Minix
<b>Oct 14</b> .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt
<b>Oct 21</b> .....	Gene & Heather Engel
<b>Oct 28</b> .....	Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett & Linda Long

*Tithes & Offering*

***A look at the church finances...General Funds***

**August 2018.....\$31,734.24**





# Birthdays

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Arlen Addison  
Don Doyle  
Kathy Slater  
Mandy Stilwell  
Judith Butler  
Kurt King  
Philip Minix  
Billy Crawford  
Karen King  
Tracy Maggard  
James Moss  
Martha Frink  
Donald Botkin  
Chris VanDerbeck  
Starr Anderson  
Melissa Apley  
Cody Fields  
Jamie Woleben  
Kacey Webb  
Joshua Garza  
Bill Slater  
John O'Neal  
John Roubion



Sunday, October 7, 2018 ~ 9:30 & 11:00 am

*The Lord's  
Supper*



## Women's Ministry Bible Study "Knitting Together"

Continues Meeting Every Sunday at 5:00 pm  
Through October 28<sup>th</sup>

Ladies, we will enjoy light Bible Study and then learn to knit. Eileen Morse has graciously agreed to be our knitting coach.

## Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship

MEETS EVERY MONDAY NIGHT

RAISING  
UP SAMUEL

6:30 pm ~ Snacks  
7:00 pm ~ Bible Study

Dinner & Fellowship  
To follow Bible Study



Begins meeting every Thursday, October 11, 2018  
at 6:30 pm

Registration and Membership Fees are required ~ one per family. The First ten families who register will receive their membership for \$99. After ten registrations, the membership rises to \$109.

For more details sign up and we will contact you with registration info.

**Sin and Pride have one thing in common...**  
**The middle letter is "I"**



## R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Sunday School meets every Sunday, 9:30—10:30 am in the #1 portable building directly behind the main church building.

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Wednesday Discipleship and Activities start at 6:30 pm, ends at 7:30 pm.

## Month Long Service Project



Bring a pair of NEW socks to benefit the homeless

**Welcome to Socktober!!!** Our youth's mission focus for the month of October is the homeless. We will be collecting NEW socks to distribute to those who are homeless in our area. There will be a box in the foyer to collect the socks as they come in as well one in the youth room. As winter draws near, something so small can mean so much. "Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Romans 12:13

## October Fundraiser

The youth will host a **Butter Braid** Fundraiser. These make delicious additions to any meal and will arrive before Thanksgiving. Be on the lookout for some fresh baked samples! An order form will be posted in the hallway and the youth will have order forms as well. We appreciate your support!

### Saturday, October 13 ~ Go Kart & Laser Tag

The youth will meet at the church at 10:15 am and leave by 10:30 to go to Bay Area Raceway. Each youth will need \$26 to cover three Go-Kart rides (\$6/ride) and a round of Laser Tag (\$8/round). We will not be planning to eat out, so any food /drinks that youth want to get will be extra. If money is an issue please speak with Lori, we do not want any of our youth to miss out.

### Sunday, October 21 ~ Youth Teach CC—1st service

Youth, please be in the children's church room no later than 9:15 am. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve.



## Baby Boy Shower

**Sunday, October 14, 2018**

*Immediately following the 2nd worship service*



In honor of  
**Rachel Kerry & Rebecca Miller**  
soon expected baby boys



## 'MUST HAVE' CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

**at 6:00 PM**

The Church Council will be planning for the months of November, December and January. It is imperative that the servant leaders, administrative staff and all committee leads and directors be in attendance.

The purpose of the Church Council is to correlate and coordinate the activities of the church, in other words... plan and outline the church calendar.



## Ladies Lunch Bunch

**All ladies of the church are invited!**

**Thursday, October 18, 2018**

*We will leave the church parking lot at 11:30 am*

This month the ladies will be going to Luby's over by Mardels in Webster. Yep... we are going shopping after lunch. The church van will leave the parking lot at 11:30 am.

This is always a time of laughter and fellowship for the all ladies of the church, please join in the fun—the more the merrier!



## Prayer Request

### Vietnam Humanitarian trip October 12—20, 2018

Pastor Rob is traveling to Vietnam to help at an orphanage and school. Please pray for travel safety and God ordained encounters.

## NEWSLETTER

### November Newsletter Deadline Saturday, October 20, 2018



The 2018 general election will be held on **November 6, 2018**. All of Texas' executive officers will be up for election as well as a United States Senate seat, and all of Texas' thirty-six seats in the United States House of Representatives.

To see what is on the November 2018 ballot, see a sample ballot, and a list of candidates visit [VOTETEXAS.GOV](http://VOTETEXAS.GOV). This website includes candidate name and political affiliation information. Political stances with regard to issues are not reference on the website. Such information can be obtained through web searches or by visiting a particular candidates website.

**You must be registered to vote by October 9th to vote in the November election.**



### Saturday, November 3, 2018 Race starts at 7:15 am

Register at <http://tiny.cc/run4health2018> or go to the Anchor Point website at [anchorpoint.us](http://anchorpoint.us). **Registration closes at 10:00 pm on October 31, 2018.**

Race starts and ends at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Upper Bay Road in Nassau Bay.

## Coming In November

**Saturday, November 3 ~ R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry youth will participate the Anchor Point 5K** benefitting Anchor Point Pregnancy Center.

**Church Camp Out at Stephen F. Austin Campground** currently has plenty of camp sites available for the **November 2-4** weekend. There are shelters available as well if you don't have an RV. Come be a part of this weekend, we hope to make this an annual or semi-annual event. Contact John or Gloria for more details. *Reservations can be made at <http://texas.reserveworld.com/Home.aspx>.*



**Saturday, November 10 ~ Youth** will be volunteering at the Houston Food Bank. This always a lot of fun. Everyone is invited to join us. Everyone must be registered through the Houston Food Bank and for our shift. All of the information you need is on the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Sign up and Lori will take care of registering everyone. We hope you'll join us!



## ~ October 2018 Lamplight ~

I love FREE things. Don't you? Last week we signed up for a FREE month of Pure Flix. If you have never heard of Pure Flix, it is a Christian company that is known for distributing movies such as *God's Not Dead*, *Do You Believe*, *I Am Not Ashamed*, and *The Case for Christ*. Our free subscription gave us access to all of these and a multitude of other Christian and Family Friendly movies and television shows.

As we browsed the list of movies we found the end-time series that was filmed in the late seventies – *A Thief in the Night*, *A Distant Thunder*, and *Image of the Beast*. For us, these movies were a blast from the past because we had watched them in 1987 as part of the Bible study on Revelation that contributed to our salvation experience.

It was fun to watch the movies again. As you can image, we laughed at the seventy's hairstyles and clothing. In many ways, all of the movies were dated, but the end-time message was the same. I was especially touched at the end of the third movie (The Image of the Beast) when a young woman led a small child to the Lord with the Wordless Book. This is a timeless way to share the Gospel with anyone. It is a colorful book without words – Gold tells us of God's Love; Dark means we have sinned against God; Red reminds us that Jesus bled and died on the cross for our sins; White means that our heart is made pure if we confess Jesus as our Savior and Lord; and Green means we are growing as Christians.

Many of you remember the wordless book from Good News Club, and most of our children know the Wordless Book by heart... just ask them!

After we watched these three movies, we decided to watch a few more "End-Time" movies such as the Left Behind Series, Jerusalem Countdown, and Apocalypse, etc...

It was interesting to see the different interpretations of the "Rapture" and the "Mark of the Beast". All the movies staged the disappearance of Christians. Some vanished in a bright light with clothing that floated down to the ground. Others left behind a neatly folded stack of clothing. The mark of the beast ranged anywhere from a tribal tattoo to a UPC barcode. We also noticed that the Anti-christ in each film had a foreign accent. One of the films made a common mistake at the very beginning – They based the movie on the book of Revelations. Oops. Sorry guys... there is only one Revelation.

There is something about "End-Time" movies that stir the heart. No matter how dated the movie, each one reminds us of the urgency to share the Gospel today. Two of the films used the 1969 song by Larry Norman - *I Wish We'd All Been Ready*.

Life was filled with guns and war, and everyone got trampled on the floor. I wish we'd all been ready  
Children died, the days grew cold; a piece of bread could buy a bag of gold. I wish we'd all been ready  
There's no time to change your mind the Son has come, and you've been left behind.

A man and wife asleep in bed; she hears a noise and turns her head, he's gone. I wish we'd all be ready  
Two men walking up a hill; One disappears and one's left standing still. I wish we'd all been ready  
There's no time to change your mind, the Son has come, and you've been left behind.

These are just two of the verses. The song is quite the warning, but the line that is most poignant to me is the last line - *There's no time to change your mind, the Son has come, and you've been left behind.*

**Matthew 24:35-36** -- Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

Nobody knows the day or hour that Jesus will return. Maybe it's time that we all dust off our Wordless Books.

Remember this, you are loved, and you are always in my prayers.

In Christ,  
Cheryl

# October 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30 PM  Men's Ministry Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	2	3 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study 7:45pm-Choir Practice	4	5	6
7  9:30 & 11:00 Services 5:00 pm ~ Women's Ministry Bible Study	8 6:30 PM  Men's Ministry Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	9	10 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study 7:45pm-Choir Practice	11 6:30 PM Financial Peace University begins	12  Oct. 12 - 20 Pastor Rob to Vietnam	13  10:15 am Youth meet at the church to go play laser tag & ride go-karts
14  Baby Boy Baby Shower in honor of Rachel Kerry and Rebecca Miller 5:00 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study	15 6:30 PM  Men's Ministry Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	16	17 6:00 PM Church Council Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study 7:45pm-Choir Practice	18  11:30 Ladies Lunch Bunch 6:30 PM Financial Peace University	19	20  Deadline for November Newsletter
21 YOUTH teach CC 1st service  5:00 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study	22 6:30 PM  Men's Ministry Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	23	24 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study 7:45pm-Choir Practice	25 6:30 PM Financial Peace University	26 	27
28  5:00 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study	29 6:30 PM  Men's Ministry Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	30	31 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study 7:45pm-Choir Practice	<b>Regular Sunday Services</b> 8:15-9:15 AM ..... Adult Bible Study 9:15-9:30 AM ..... 1st Adult Coffee Fellowship 9:15-10:30 AM ..... 1st Nursery / Children's Church 9:30-10:30 AM ..... Berean Adult Fellowship & Youth Bible Study 9:30-10:30 AM ..... 1st Worship Service 10:45-11:00 AM ..... 2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship 10:45-Noon ..... 2nd Nursery / Children's Church / Pre-K Church 11:00-Noon ..... 2nd Worship Service 5:00 PM ..... Women's Ministry Bible Study		

