



October 2019

Rev. Rob Purdy  
Pastor

## Church Newsletter

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### A Message from the Pastor

That's right! It's October! It's bound to cool off sooner or later!!!

In the past, churches tended to see an increase in attendance in the Fall. Family summer vacations are over, school is back in session and our schedules become more predictable and manageable. That traditional trend, however, seems to be on the decline. The worldly competition with church attendance often increases in the Fall, particularly for families.

The modern educational system no longer respects nor encourages any kind of church of attendance. Instead, schools continuously schedule functions and events that conflict with church related activities. Sports participation is the same way. Parent's wanting to encourage their children to participate in sports, ...or band, or drama, or the chess club,... are frequently faced with a church attendance conflict.

I am glad that I did not face this issue when our son was young. Parents, please know that I am praying for you as you make decisions about your family's time. I am praying that you find a way to teach your children the priority of worship and the church.

Two verses have come to me during my private Bible study time this week. The first is this:

New King James Version, Luke 14:23...

*Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.'*

Last night at Men's Monday Night we discussed this very thing. We have committed, and I want to encourage you to commit as well, to being far more intentional about inviting folks! This verse reminds us that we are compelled to "go". With that in mind, you will be seeing some changes in the Men's Monday Night gatherings.

The other verse that the Spirit has brought to my attention is this:

New King James Version, Acts 1:8...

*But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

Years ago, we committed to being an Acts 1:8 church. That means we embrace four mission fields; Our community (Jerusalem), our State (Judea), our Country (Samaria) and the world (ends of the earth). I believe that there is a season for everything, and we are in the season of a more intense focus on our Jerusalem and Samaria. Please join me in praying as we move forward in those directions.

I am pretty excited about a change in seasons!!!!

God bless,  
Pastor Rob

### October Calendar

#### Saturday, October 05

- Church Workday
- Youth Fishing Day

#### Sunday, October 06

- Lord's Supper Services
- Butter Braid Youth Fundraiser begins

#### Wednesday, October 09

- Soup and Sandwich Fellowship

#### Wednesday, October 16

- Church Council Planning Meeting

#### Sunday, October 20

- November Newsletter Deadline

#### Friday, October 25

- Youth Fundraiser—A Night of Magic with Rick Hebert

#### Sunday, October 27

- Youth to teach Children's Church—1st service

# 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 (Jr. & Sr. High Classes) .....	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 .....	Regal Estates, 500 Enterprise, League City

## Monday

10:00 am.....	Women's Ministry Bible Study "Mom Set Free" .....	**ends 10/21 ... 1506 Bayport Blvd. (Hwy 146)
6:30 pm.....	Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Wednesday

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



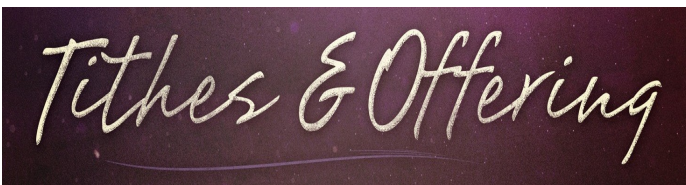
## Regular Office Hours

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 2019 Tellers

Oct. 06 .....	John & Cheryl Harrison, Mike & Cindy Treece
Oct. 13 .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt
Oct. 20 .....	Gene & Heather Engel
Oct. 27 .....	Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett & Linda Long



## A look at the church finances...

### General Funds

August 2019 Contributions .....\$24,945.91

### Building Fund

August 2019 Contributions .....\$16,399.95

### Missions Fund

August 2019 Contributions .....\$255.00



# Birthdays

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Jennie Kivch  
Don Doyle  
Kathy Slater  
Mandy Stilwell  
Judith Butler  
Kurt King  
Phillip Mlnix  
Billy Crawford  
Karen King  
Tracy Maggard  
James Moss  
Martha Frink  
Donald Bolton  
Chris VanDerbeck



Starr Anderson  
Melissa Apley  
Cody Carpenter  
Jamie Woleben  
Kacey Webb  
Joshua Garza  
Bill Slater  
John O'Neal  
John Roubion

**Sunday, October 6, 2019**



**OBSERVANCE OF  
THE LORD'S  
SUPPER**

**9:30 & 11:00 AM Service**

**MEN'S  
MINISTRY**

**Men's Monday Night Ministry  
Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship**

**Meets every Monday**  
**Snacks at 6:30 pm ~ Bible Study at 7:00 pm**  
*Dinner and fellowship to follow the bible study*

## Church

**Saturday, October 5  
9:00 AM**



The church needs your help on Saturday, October 5th. There is much to be accomplished around the church and there is a job to fit your ability. Some of things we will be working on include painting the porch of the annex, window cleaning, landscaping and cleaning the vans inside and out. For more details please see John Henry.

## Soup and Sandwich Supper

**Wednesday, October 9, 2019**

**6:30 PM**

**MEMBERS PLEASE BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE**



## 'MUST HAVE' CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday, October 16, 2019**

**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.

**Deadline  
for NOVEMBER 2019**

**Newsletter  
Submissions**

**Sunday, October 20, 2019**

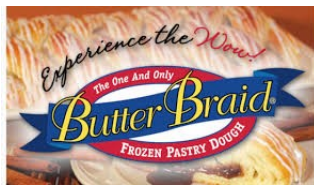




## R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Jr. High and Sr. High Sunday School** classes meet every Sunday, 9:30—10:30 am. The Sr. High class meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> portable building and the Jr. High class meets in the 2<sup>nd</sup> portable building directly behind the main church building.

**R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Wednesday Discipleship** meets from 6:30—7:30 pm in the first portable building directly behind the main church building.



## OCTOBER FUNDRAISER

Butter Braids make delicious additions to any meal and will arrive before Thanksgiving! Our youth will have order forms and one will be posted in the hallway as well. Also, be on the lookout for some fresh baked samples on Sunday mornings. All money raised will go toward our international youth mission trip next summer.

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

### Saturday, October 05 ~ Youth Fishing Day

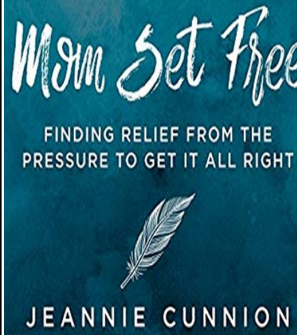
The youth will meet at the church at 7:30 am and leave by 7:45 am to go to a local private lake to enjoy some fishing. Fishing poles will be needed, but can also be shared. The best bait for this particular location is hotdogs and bread. There will a sign-up sheet in the youth room and each student must have a signed permission slip in order to go. Please see Lori Forrest for any questions.

### Friday, October 25 ~ A Night of Magic with Rick Hebert

The youth are please to announce the rescheduling of **A Night of Magic with Rick Hebert**. Doors will open at 6:30 pm and the show will start at 7:00 pm. Rick has performed for many big corporations and has even been invited to perform at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. You will not want to miss this! Tickets are on sale online through Eventbrite, however, you can purchase tickets half-price through Lori Forrest.

### Sunday, October 27 ~ Youth to Teach CC

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



**Women's Ministry**  
Every Monday Morning  
through October 21<sup>st</sup>  
Time: 10:00 am

Nursery Provided

Student Workbook Cost: \$13.00  
Led by: Cheryl Harrison

## November 5, 2019 Election Understanding Proposition #4

There are 10 proposed Texas Constitutional Amendments on the Texas ballot this year. One in particular is worded in a confusing way.

### Proposition 4: Prohibit State Income Tax on Individual Amendment

Description: Prohibits the state from levying an income tax on individuals.

A **"yes"** vote supports this amendment to prohibit the state from levying an income tax on individuals.

A **"No"** vote opposes this amendment, thus continuing to allow the state to enact a tax on individuals in the future through a statewide referendum.

**PLEASE NOTE: The proposition is only to help ensure that we don't ever have a state income tax. A YES vote supports adding verbiage to the Texas constitution that will make it harder for future legislatures to give us a State tax.**

Sen. Pat Fallon explains: "We are banning the possibility of a state income tax. If this measure fails we will NOT have an income tax in Texas. Right now all it takes to have an income tax imposed on folks is to get a simple majority of both the House and the Senate and then a simple majority of the voters and we'd have an income tax in Texas. By passing this measure and amending the constitution we would change this to a 2/3 majority vote in both the House and the Senate and then voter approval. We are essentially raising the bar considerable."

# October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry October Fundraiser</b>	1	<b>2</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <b>Evening Prayer &amp; Bible Study</b> <b>6:30-7:30 PM</b> Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	3	4	<b>5</b> <b>8:30 am</b> Youth Fishing Day <b>9:00 am</b> Church Workday
<b>R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry October MISSION FOCUS is the Homeless...we will be collecting NEW socks and hygiene items</b>						
<b>6</b>  <b>9:30 &amp; 11:00 AM</b> Lord's Supper Services	<b>7</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Ministry Bible Study <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	8	<b>9</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Time of Prayer followed by a Soup & Sandwich Supper 	10	11	12
13	<b>14</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Ministry Bible Study <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	15	<b>16</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Church Council Meeting <b>6:30-7:30 PM</b> Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	17	18	19
<b>20</b> 	<b>21</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Ministry Bible Study <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	22	<b>23</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <b>Evening Prayer &amp; Bible Study</b> <b>6:30-7:30 PM</b> Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>A Night of Magic With Rick Hebert</b>	26
27	<b>28</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	29	<b>30</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <b>Evening Prayer &amp; Bible Study</b> <b>6:30-7:30 PM</b> Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	<b>31</b>	<b>Regular Sunday Services</b> 8:15—9:15 AM ..... Adult Bible Study 9:15—9:30 AM ..... 1 <sup>st</sup> Adult Coffee Fellowship 9:15—10:30 AM ..... 1 <sup>st</sup> Nursery / Children's Church 9:30—10:30 AM ..... Berean Adult Fellowship & Youth Bible Study 9:30—10:30 AM ..... 1 <sup>st</sup> Worship Service 10:45—11:00 AM ..... 2 <sup>nd</sup> Adult Coffee Fellowship 10:45—Noon ..... 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nursery / Children's Church / Pre-K Church 11:00—Noon ..... 2 <sup>nd</sup> Worship Service	