

FEBRUARY 2025

*THE PURPOSE OF DESERT SHORES
COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO
SHARE THE LOVE AND SAVING GRACE OF JESUS
CHRIST WITH EVERYONE, THROUGH GOD'S
POWER, MAKE DISCIPLES WHO LOVE GOD.*



“Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations” Matthew 28:19

The Beacon





Exciting UPCOMING EVENTS

February Events:

February Birthdays

2/3
David Dunn
2/6
Petra Boop
2/8
Beth Mason
Bill Kriech
Jenny Elias
2/9
Doreen Hammer
Walter Ray
2/12
Linda Loucks
2/13
Myrna Allen
2/14
Pat Anderson
2/16
Glenda Earnest
2/17
Brittany Pisano
2/18
Betty Ray
2/19
Susan Forde
2/22
Hannah Watts
2/25
Tracy Weisz
2/28
Chloe Spawn

February 1st
Men's Breakfast
8am

February 7th
The Deacon Meeting

February 8th
Women's Fellowship
11:30am

February 14th
Valentines Dinner



Weekly Events:

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School
9:00am Faith Builders Class
9:00am Titus Women
10:30am Worship Service
2:30pm SunRidge Village

Monday 5:00pm Choir Practice
5:00pm Creation Series
6:00pm Praise Team practice

Tuesday 9:00am Prayer Team
10:30am Davis Place
1:00pm Silver Creek
2:30 Joshua Springs Memory Care
3:00pm Joshua Springs
6:30pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday **8:00am Men's Bible Study**
9:30am Women's Bible Study
6:30pm Bible Study - Galatians

Thursday 6:30pm Family Game Night
Last Thursday of the Month
1:30pm Legacy
8:00pm Young Adult Bible Study

Friday 8:00am Men's Bible Study
7:00pm Narcotics Anonymous
6:30pm Movie Night
Last Friday of the Month

Saturday 8:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
First Saturday of the Month
6:00pm Contemporary Worship Serv.

February Anniversaries

14th
Linda & Bill Kriech
16th
Ron & Jackie DeVall
17th
Karen & Martin Pezely
22nd
Gary & Linda Lutz

CHURCH BULLETIN BOARD

And now these three
remain: faith, hope
and love. But the
greatest of these is

love.

1 Corinthians 13:13



SENIOR MINISTRY

This is the schedule. Please look it over and see what time slot would work for you.

Sunday at 2:30 at Sunridge Village
Tuesday at 10:30 at Davis Place
Tuesday at 1:00 at Silver Creek
Tuesday at 2:30 at Joshua Springs -Memory care
Tuesday at 3:00 at Joshua Springs
Thursday at 1:30 at Legacy

Interested? You may want to join us at a service and make a new friend (or friends), sharing Jesus and filling a void in their day.

Please contact **Rick Bickman** at 928.444.4504 or **Karen** at 928.201.7879 for more information.

COME PRAY WITH US!

Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything, by **prayer** and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

“I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had absolutely no other place to go.”
Abraham Lincoln

Our Prayer Meeting is at 9:00 on Tuesday Mornings! Please join us!

If you have any requests or praises you can email them to Ljineitz57@gmail.com
Or text them to 928.201.8924

SIMPLE WAYS TO BE A BLESSING!

Items needed for the BLESSING BAGS:

Water
Toothpaste
Vienna Sausage
Tuna Kits
Soap
Pack of napkins and utensils
(Can pick up at Smart & Final in individual packs)
Combs
Assorted Toiletries
Fruit Cups

From a Seed's Perspective

I was planted about three days ago, placed deep in soil and watered. Today, I escaped and was set free from my shell. But, oh! What a dirty mess I am in! I may be free now, but there is darkness all around me in this moist, dirty grave. I know that the Creator, who spring me free from my capsule, is using these dark circumstances as the perfect medium for my growth. Though I do not yet see light, I sense the direction to go and will seek the light as God always guides me. I hear Him calling to me "Arise, Arise! My beauty, draw close to Me. Cast your cares on me and I will sustain you." Though I bear no fruit yet, God sees my potential. He knows who I am and I know who my Creator has made me to be. He calls me His beauty! I am a Sunflower.

John 16:33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

A Short Time Later

Hi! Sunflower here again. It seems like only yesterday I was a little seedling, but with this fertile soil and the gift of water, I filled out pretty well, and just the other day, I grew twice as big, it seemed, overnight. Sure, there are growing pains, but I know the Lord has plans for my future, plans to make me bloom and bear fruit (or seeds, more exactly). I am so ready that my bud could just burst! And God pours out so much abundance on me that I so desire to share the abundance by feeding the birds and the bees, but it is difficult to wait. I guess I just have to keep looking up and trusting God for his timing. I can't wait to open up to all he has for me.

Some Time Later Yet

Hi! It's me again, Sunflower! I looked up to the Lord, and I've trusted Him to make me grow and sustain me. I know my seeds are coming and here I am looking as though I am dying. And I am! It is necessary for me to die that others might benefit and enjoy the abundant life God has planned for them. So, I freely and through God's grace die to myself more and more every day. I'm grateful to do this. I consider it a reasonable act of worship for all God has done for me. I am grateful to God for the abundance. He has given me, so I now offer myself as a living sacrifice.



SANDWICH MINISTRY

A huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who will be making sandwiches for the folks experiencing homelessness. Not only are our volunteers continuing, but there were more new volunteers this time!

The new schedules are ready for pick up! If you have not received yours, please check with Kaye in the office, or look on the bulletin board just outside her office. Please make a reminder for yourself so you don't forget your sandwich dates.

Anyone who is not making sandwiches is encouraged to consider bringing water or snack type food items whenever you can. Anything you bring in will be greatly appreciated. God bless!!!

More Help!

Make A Long-term Choice!

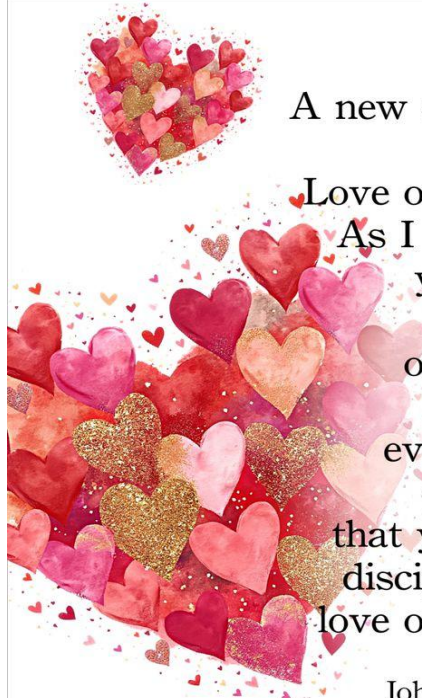


Worship/Online Director Brandon and volunteer Brittney are part of the team that makes sure our newest "congregation" gets live broadcasts of the Saturday and Sunday worship services on YouTube.

Those watching the online worship services are increasing to where we are averaging over 100 viewers a week and Brandon needs some more helpers.

We have also added the Wednesday night Bible Study every week.

If you are willing to volunteer, please contact the office and let Brandon know. You must be willing to commit long-term because of the training



A new command I
give you:
Love one another.
As I have loved
you, so you
must love
one another.
By this
everyone will
know
that you are my
disciples, if you
love one another.

John 13:34-35 NIV

MondayMotif.com

YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE"

During this morning's walk, the words "You'll never walk alone" rose up within my heart. At first, it made me think about a song I heard many years ago in a musical. The words "You'll Never Walk Alone" were the only words I remembered from the song. I did some research and discovered that the song was sung in a movie called "Carousel." But as I thought more about that phrase, "You'll never walk alone" a much deeper meaning came to me as I considered the words of Psalm 23:4 ... "Yea, though I WALK through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me." Even in our darkest hours on Earth, the believer NEVER WALKS ALONE ... for the Lord is with us.

Now, as I meditated on that verse in Psalm 23:4, I realized how important the word "WALK" is as it pertains to that verse. You see, the believer has been called to "WALK by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). That word WALK suggests movement, advancing in a forward direction. Believers are WALKERS. They are not SITTERS. They're always moving ... always progressing forward. God is seeking such people to commune and fellowship with Him ... because HE IS A WALKER TOO!



Think back to the Garden of Eden. God was WALKING in the cool of the evening, calling out to the man He created. He desired to WALK with Adam. Think about Enoch, a man so close to God that he went from this Earth to Heaven without experiencing death ... all because he had this testimony: "Enoch WALKED WITH GOD" (Genesis 5:22). And, in Genesis 17:1, God told Abraham: "I am Almighty God; WALK BEFORE ME and be thou perfect."

Child of God, you've been called to a WALK ... not to a religion ... not to an ideology ... not to a doctrine or system of laws and commandments. You've been called to a relationship in which you are walking in the same direction as the Master of the Universe. A pathway is before you and if you commune closely with the Lord, the pathway is straight. But, even when mishap and tragedy strikes, even when obstacles block the pathway and you walk through valleys of uncertainty, the Lord walks with you ... He is right beside you ... "YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE."

2 Corinthians 6:16

For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them, and will WALK AMONG THEM; and I will be their God, and they will be My people."

1 John 2:6

Whoever claims to abide in Him must WALK AS JESUS WALKED.

Ephesians 5:8

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. WALK AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT.

1 John 1:7

But if we WALK IN THE LIGHT AS HE IS IN THE LIGHT, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.