# <u>.EADERSHIP/STAFF</u>

**Ministers** 

Ray Reynolds

• Eric Whittle

Billy Lambert

Steve Yager

Sandy Daugherty

<u>Secretaries</u>

Christy Gill

**PULPIT MINISTER** 

**YOUTH & FAMILY** 

**GTKYB MINISTRY** 

**OUTREACH MINISTRY** 

#### **Elders**

- James Anderson
- Ben Coxwell
- **Benn Keevan**
- **Billy Lambert**
- **Curte Stitt**
- Robert Tyree

## **Deacons**

- Micah Allen
- Tyler Gill
- Daniel Henry
- Terry Nicholson
- Ray Reynolds
- Dan Robinson
- Casey Tomecek Steve Yager

## TIMES OF SERVICE:

SUNDAYS **AM Bible Classes - 9AM** Worship - 10AM PM Bible Classes - 5PM

(Infant nursery & Sensory Room are ed near the front entrance. Ask a Gr at the Welcome Table to show you!

**WEDNESDAYS Adult Bible Class- 10AM Bible Classes - 6:30PM** 

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OFFICE HOURS: OFFICE IS CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING THIS WEEK. Mon-Thurs: 9AM-1PM **After 1PM: Appointment Only** 

**ONLINE GIVING:** You may also scan the QR code:



Cindy Hatcher is available for counseling appointments in person or via ZOOM. Call 251-263-3100 for an appointment.



# **SCOC MEMBERS:**

- Bonnie Alvis
- Three Blake: Undergoing cancer treatment at MD Anderson.

**PRAYER LIST** 

- Lyndia Daugherty
- Joe Gill: Recovering from knee replacement on 11/20.
- Natalia & Christy Gill: Home sick.
- Christina Hensel: Recovering from wrist surgery 11/19.
- Family of Glynda Jennings: Loss of grandson, Will, 10/28.
- Becky Nicholson
- Misty Reynolds
- Patti Waters

#### SHUT-INS: PLEASE SEND CARDS, CALL, & VISIT WHEN POSSIBLE.

- Yvonne Collier
- Tim Howell
- Ella Mae Kellerman (The Seagrass Village in Daphne)
- Lamar & Mary Kelley: Mary is on hospice.
- Paul & Rosemary Kitchens
- Joyce Norris
- Linda Smith
- Tina Welch
- Myra Wright Haven Memory Care in Gulf Shores

#### **FAMILY/FRIENDS:**

- Timber Bowles: Yager's nephew: B-cell Acute Leukemia
- Evie & Junie Boulware: Daniel Henry's nieces born premature.
- Diane Chamblee: Geraldean Yager's daughter
- Mark Chaney: Lisa Rider's father: Stage 3 Small Cell Carcinoma Lung Cancer. Undergoing chemo.
- Matt Coxwell (Ben's brother) Kidney Cancer.
- Ryan Davis: Friend of Jerry/Sandy: 2nd stroke; in therapy.
- Lilly Gunn: 17 yr. old Granddaughter of Connie: Surgery on heart, kidney & brain in Boston next month.
- Cindy Hatcher: Knee replacement 11/10.
- · Jennifer Houston: Louis Smith's daughter
- Cecil Ledbetter: Matilda's brother. Multiple health issues.

• Rene McDonald's mom: Rose David: Diagnosed w/Thyroid

- Fred Lincoln: Barbara Howell's nephew. Stage 4 colon cancer.
- cancer. Waiting for options.
- Amy Rickard: Stage 4 cancer. Undergoing treatment.
- Debbie Schwartz
- Matthew Shelton: Daniel Henry's cousin: Lymphoma.
- Marcline Underwood: Gary's mother: Eastern Shore Rehab.
- Mary Voirol: Christina Hensel's mom: Mass in lungs; testing.
- Saylor Wade: Lacy Blake's granddaughter: PURA syndrome.
- Tim Wright Candy Allen's Father: Cancer

### MILITARY:

- Tyler Allen: (Bonnie Coxwell's nephew) Guam
- Fischer Carr Hawaii
- Jared Phillips US Coast Guard
- Zane Rider
- Gisela Santos Stationed in Japan.
- Gabriel & Destiny Stephens Air Force, stationed in TX.

#### MISSIONARIES:

- Jeff Abrams (Ukraine)
- Andy Erwin (McGarvey College of the Bible)
- Wayne Pruette (Guyana)

If you need to add or take someone off the prayer list, please email Christy by 3PM Wednesday: summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com



# **ORDER OF WORSHIP: 11/23**

**Welcome: Curte Stitt Lead Singing: Eric Whittle Opening Prayer: Steve Yager** Communion/Off. Lead: Kile Votaw

- Chase Joiner
- Hayden Joiner
- Mike Joiner
- Mike McLean David Stidham
- Marcos Toledo, Jr.

Scripture Reading: Hayden Joiner Titus 3:3-7

**Sermon: Ray Reynolds Closing Remarks Closing Prayer: Daniel Henry** 

**Sunday PM Devo: James Anderson** 

Nov. Security: Mike Stephens & Robert Tyree | N = (Contact Robert Tyree if unable to work security.)

\*\*\*If you are not able to serve at the time you've been scheduled, please contact Tyler Gill ASAP so someone else can be assigned.



# Welcome Visitors!

Please fill out one of our Connection Cards, located on the Welcome Table, (also in your Visitor Bag) or you may scan the QR code with your smartphone to fill it out online. We'd love the opportunity to get to know YOU!

# REVIVE OUR THANKFULNESS **TITUS 3:3-7**

• TITUS 3:5-6. PSALM 108:4. JOHN 8:32

• TITUS 3:5-7, PSALM 121:2, HEBREWS 4:16

• TITUS 3:6. PSALM 65:11. JOHN 10:10

TITUS 3:6. PSALM 9:2. JOHN 14:13

• TITUS 3:3-4, PSALM 106:1, EPHESIANS 2:7

• TITUS 3:5, PSALM 118:14, EPHESIANS 2:8

# **NEWS & UPDATES**

# =Welcome=

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today! Visitors: You are our honored guests! Please fill out the card in your welcome bag & drop it in the collection plate as it passes. You may also scan the QR code on the front of this bulletin.







#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Tuesdays: 10AM: Ladies Teddy Bear Class in the fellowship hall. See Rebecca Wittmann for info.
- 11/25: 6PM: Thanksgiving Mid Week Service
- 12/4: 6PM: Ladies Night Out/Ornament Swap: Home of Terri Cason. Bring a wrapped ornament and finger food!
- 12/5: 5PM: Young & Middle Adult Christmas Party: Home of Ray & Misty. Bring a \$25 gift for dirty Santa and finger
- 12/9: 1PM: Ladies Luncheon @ the home of Diane
- 12/12: Whales West trip for 6<sup>th</sup> grade & under.
- 12/13: 5PM: Supper w/ Santa & Mrs. Claus
- 12/17: 10AM-2PM: Red Cross Blood Drive
- 12/17: Teen & Youth Christmas Parties: See Eric/Andrea
- 12/21: 2PM: Devo w/ residents @ Country Place in Foley. See Steve Yager if you'd like to join!



Alan Jopson's "Addressing An Audience Class' will restart on 2/8/26, & will be accepting 8 participants. The deadline to sign up is 1/23/26. Please contact Alan to reserve your spot. His contact info will be in the printed bulletin, or contact the office. 

# SYG

Growing in Faith, Hope and Love

# THANKFUL FOR OUR CHURCH FAMIL

With Thanksgiving just a few days away, many of us are thinking about the people who bless our lives—family, friends, mentors, and those who've walked with Youth Group greatest blessings we sometimes overlook is our church family.

In Philippians 1:3-5, Paul writes, "I thank my God in all my remembrance of

you... because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." Paul loved the church in Philippi, not just because they supported him, but because they were united with him in purpose, in faith, and in love. That's what makes the church family so special: we're more than people who sit in the same building; we're people walking the same path.

I'm thankful for our church family here at Summerdale. For the way you show up, serve faithfully, love deeply, and pour into our kids and teens. For the way you pray for each other, check in on each other, and bear one another's burdens. And for the way you chase after God together.

Our children need to see this kind of family in action. They need to know that church isn't just a place we go, it's a people we belong to. It's a spiritual home filled with grace, truth, encouragement, and accountability. And when we make that visible to them, we help root their faith in something lasting.

So as you count your blessings this week, I want to encourage you to take time to thank God for your church family. And maybe even go one step further, reach out to someone and let them know how much they mean to you.

Because when God gave us the church, He gave us each other. And that's something to be thankful for.

Always remember—you are loved.

Eric



# Sonshine Corner

**PULPIT MINISTER - RAY REYNOLDS** churchofchristsummerdale@gmail.com

# THE INVISIBLE WOUND: **OVERCOMING PREJUDICE & DISCRIMINATION**

God hates prejudice and discrimination. It is a corrosive acid on the very foundation of society, transforming a potentially vibrant, unified whole into a fractured landscape defined by injustice and mistrust. It is an awful practice that systematically denies individuals their inherent dignity, stifling human potential by valuing characteristics like skin color or origin over talent and character. This leads to profound societal damage: economic progress stalls as innovation is excluded, institutions lose legitimacy in the eyes of the oppressed, and the collective psychological burden of chronic stress and inequity poisons public health.

A prejudiced society isn't just unfair; it is inherently self-destructive, choosing to operate at a fraction of its capacity by building walls where bridges are needed. While we often focus on the moral imperative of equality, it is crucial to understand the very real, measurable, and destructive consequences that result from prejudice and bias in action. It is dreadful because it is the antithesis of New Testament Christianity.

The Great Commission is the final, essential command given by the resurrected Jesus Christ to His disciples (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16). The command is a universal and perpetual mandate for His followers to actively "go and make disciples of all nations." This command transforms the Christian faith from a localized belief into a global, missional movement focused on education, spiritual formation, and the expansion of Christ's teaching to every corner of the world. In order to accomplish this task we cannot embrace any form of prejudice or discrimination. God does not prefer one group of people over another due to their wealth, social standing, or background (Acts 10:34).

At its core, discrimination is the unjust treatment of different categories of people or things, especially Summerdale us through highs and lows. But one of the on the grounds of race, age, sex, religion, disability, or nationality. It manifests in countless ways, from overt hate crimes to subtle, systemic biases embedded in our institutions. Prejudice is an unjustified or incorrect attitude toward an individual based solely on that individual's membership in a social group. It is essentially a pre-judgment—an opinion, feeling, or assumption about a person or group that is formed without sufficient knowledge, thought, or reason. While prejudice exists on an internal, cognitive level, often taking the form of negative stereotypes or preconceived notions, it serves as the underlying emotional foundation for discrimination (the unjust action) and stereotyping (the overly generalized belief).

> To allow prejudice to stand is to declare that the revolutionary power of Christ's love is insufficient to transform our hearts. This is a lie. The mission of the Church is not complete until every single person is You Are Loved, treated with the dignity and respect gifted to them by their Creator. Be like Jesus!

## **NOVEMBER - ELDER OF THE MONTH: CURTE STITT**

If you have a concern that needs to be brought to the attention of the elders, please contact the Elder Of The Month, who will be listed in the newsletter each week.







