Bayshore CONNECTION



A Word from the Pastor Nominating Committee

Dear Bayshore Family,

On behalf of the Senior Pastor Search Committee we want to thank you for the love and support you have shown us in these last 13 months. What would we do without each other?!

And here we are, embracing Scott and Cecelia Stearman into our church home. God is so very good. I will never be able to say enough about this committee. You chose wisely when you recommended each member to represent our loving and diverse congregation. Bayshore meets at the cross and invites everyone to join us. Let's embrace and support Scott as he loves and embraces us. The corner of Morrison and McDill is just what Tampa needs!

Gratefully,
Janet Salyers, Chair
Jerry Ford Vice-Chair, Sharon
Hickinbotham, Carmen Hufstetler,
Jason Lee, Julie Webb,
Carissa Daise-Wilson

Feb/Mar Connections

February

3--Parents Night Out
Fundraiser 5-9pm
5--LOFT 1st Sunday
Worship 6-8pm
11--Immokolee Mission
Immersion Trip
19--Bayshore BINGO!
21--Fat Tuesday
Pancake Night at Village
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22--Ash Wednesday/ Lent Begins

March

--Six week Lenten Series begins

5--Spaghetti Lunch & The Great Bayshore Bake-Off

Coming soon!

- -Holy Week Apr 3-9
- -Easter Apr 9
- -Family Fun Night Apr 26
- -VBS June 5-9
- -Pursuit Camp Jun 19-22
- -Passport Camp Jul 8-14

Dawnings Update by Dina Marshall

The Dawnings process has given us the opportunity to reflect on our strengths, to discern where God is leading, and to plan for our stronger future. Our teams have been led to develop new programs, processes, and initiatives including:

- Supper Clubs
- Remote/online members additional Bayshore contact
- Streaming service enhancements
- Relational ministry kickoff
- Event and Communication Teams
- Ministry Teams led by Diaconate

Still to come in 2023: further online enhancements, name tag Sunday evolved, more special events, "Fact Friday" posts and other initiatives to communicate our history and identity, Ministry Fair, Visitor and Member Assimilation, Sunday School reconnection, and relational ministry initiative through Sunday School classes.

In this new year how will you feel led to engage in the life of Bayshore?



Deacon Devotion by Judy Richman

Recently, I was admitted to Tampa General.

I thought "I'm so alone," but I found out that I was not. The hospital staff was in and out of my room. We were a family.

I began thinking about "families." My "blood" family is small: just my sister and her family in Colorado and a few cousins in England.

Eventually, I realized that I was part of a giant Venn diagram. Consider the "families" discussed above: the "blood" family and the "hospital" family. Where the two circles intersect is the common area, i.e., me.

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" —Psalm 133:1

My Bayshore family is the umbrella for other families: Sunday school, choir, book club, missions. They enter the Venn diagram, overlapping, but this time with two commonalities: GOD and me. I see that God is the similarity between/among all the circles. Families. God. Love.

Mission





Road Trip ... Join Us! Cuitivate Abundance Immakolee, FL Mission Immersion Day

Learn about and engage with Cultivate Abundance as you experience planting container gardens, visit with local families, tour Mision Peniel and catch the Burnette's passion to eliminate food insecurity in this special farmworker community.

- *Saturday, February 11, 2023
- * Cost Is lunch 8 dinner
- * Car pooling available
- * YES! Youth are invited

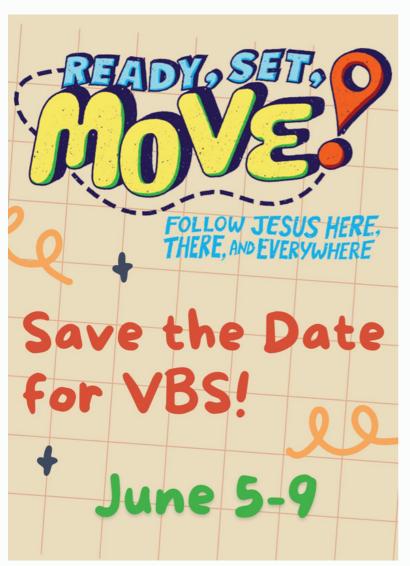
"We approach our work among migrants, refugees and farmworkers as respectful advocates."

Rick & Ellen Burnette











Thank you Shore Kids!

YOUR HARD WORK EACH
WEDNESDAY NIGHT IN
CREATING BEAUTIFUL
NATIVITIES AND DELICIOUS
CHRISTMAS COOKIES FOR
OUR SENIOR ADULTS
HELPED BRIGHTEN THE DAY
OF SO MANY!



1ST SUNDAY
WORSHIP

BEGIN THE
MONTH WITH
WHAT'S
IMPORTANT

1ST SUNDAY
OF THE MONTH
6-8PM



Bayshore LOFT will be hosting a Parents' Night Out Fundraiser on Friday, February 3rd from 5:00PM-9:00PM. Funds raised will go towards youth group ministry, including PASSPORT Camp this summer!

LOFT Youth are encouraged to attend, facilitate games and help watch the kids as we raise money for the youth group!







Have you ever wondered why we do the things we do here at church? This semester we will take a closer look at things like Baptism, worship, communion and more.

Come explore these practices as we continue to seek to grow closer to God and one another.

2022 Finance Update

 2022 Budget
 \$836,936.00

 Regular Giving
 \$807,699.00

 Matching Gift
 \$100,000.00

 Amount Above Budget
 \$70,763.00

LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 22

As a community, Bayshore will be using the reflections of Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie to guide us through Lent.

Devotionals can be found at:

www.katebowler.com/blessthislent

Printed versions available upon
request. Contact Susie in the

church office.

Bless the Lent we Actually Have

40 DAYS TO REFLECT, PRAY, AND BLESS OUR IMPERFECT LIVES

Adult Connections

Wellspring Women's Group Wed 6:30pm

Rev. Bill Scarle Bible Study Wed 6:30pm

Coffee with the Pastor Wed 6:30pm

Choir Rehearsal Wed 7:30pm

Women's Morning Bible Study Wed 10:30am

Wednesday Prayer Service 12:15pm

> Tai Chi Mon & Thurs 10:30am

Book Club
1st Thursday of the month

Connecting with Julie Webb by Jane Lang

Julie was born in Tampa and grew up in Bayshore Baptist Church. It has always been "home" to her. In fact, she attended the Bayshore Baptist Preschool, and her teacher was Sharon Hickinbotham!

July attended Bayshore Christian School and Plant High School. She went to Hillsborough High Community College before moving to Ft. Lauderdale to attend Palm Beach Atlantic



University. She majored in General Music and earned a minor degree in Sociology. The Choral Director there was very helpful to Julie. Julie worked as his assistant, which taught her so much and prepared her for the classroom. She landed her first teaching job in 1998 teaching 1st and 2nd graders. THAT was a challenge! Julie moved on to the Coral Springs Charter School, where she taught Chorus for 20 years to kids in grades 6-12.

Many of you probably don't know that Julie is a third-generation member of our Church. Her grandparents are Tom and Kathryn Morris, who were members of Bayshore. Julie's parents are Tom and Vicki Morris, who have always been active members of Bayshore. Her Dad worked for an insurance company and had the opportunity to live and work in Germany! Julie and Vicki joined him, and they lived there for four years.

When asked what she does for fun, Julie said, "watching movies and sunsets." She highly values her relaxing times. At the present she is teaching music at two schools, which keeps her very busy.

Julie is very active in Bayshore's Music Program. Sometimes she substitutes for Choir Director Rachel Mann when Rachel can't be present. They work together very well.

Julie has a beautiful voice. In fact she's been asked to sing with a large chorus when Andrea Bocelli has his concert in Tampa in February.

What a huge honor! She's very excited—and we are too!

If you haven't met Julie, you ae missing something good! She's a lovely lady, and she works very hard for the Lord at Bayshore. Be sure to introduce yourself.

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