

SEFFNER HEART BEAT

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From Pastor Loli ...

We continue to get closer to “Kingdom business as usual”!

Our **Contemporary Service** is about to reconvene at 9:30 on **AUGUST 8TH**!

Rally Day will kick Off our Sunday School Year, **on August 22nd**, and we invite you to participate in the many ministry opportunities offered by our committees.

And we'll wrap up the month with a **Luncheon, on August 29th**, hosted by the Mission and Fellowship Committees that will feed you and then send you out to do good works in the community. Please continue to read for more details!

“Life is like riding a bicycle, keep your balance, you must keep moving!”
Albert Einstein

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.”
Ecclesiastes 3:1

God Bless,
Pastor Loli



[Our Mission Statement](#)

To provide opportunities for people to discover God's love, seek God's purpose, and do God's will.

[Our Vision Statement](#)

Glorifying God with mind, body, and soul.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SEFFNER

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Monday - Thursday
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Carina Brushwood
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Jay Heidt

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Patty MacEwen

Administration

Isabel Reiter

Youth

Carol Shick

Worship

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Melissa Triebwasser

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Cammie Williams,
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Newsletter items for
September 2021
due by August 15th.
Please submit items to
kara@seffnerpres.org

Worshiping Together
live stream and in-person

R.S.V.P. for Worship
by Thursdays
kara@seffnerpres.org

9:30 & 11 AM Services
Begin August 8th

Communion
August 15th

Rally Day & Sunday School
Kick-Off
August 22nd

Blood Drive & Luncheon
August 29th

Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm

www.seffnerpres.org
Click on Worship or go to
www.facebook.com/seffnerpres

Thank you for your
FAITHFUL Support
of our MINISTRY!

You can put your tithe/offering
in the mail and send it to:

Presbyterian Church of
Seffner
P.O. Box 545
Seffner, FL 33583

A Convenient Option...

You can also set it up with your bank as “Bill Pay”, you are also able to give your tithe/offering or donate by making a secure gift through our website.



PHOTO CONTEST!

The Administration and Personnel Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in our Little Church with a Big Heart

Photo Contest. We had some creative entries and all were winners, but only one photo submission could win a prize. The winning submission was by John and Carol Dolphin. They promptly sent in a photo with their granddaughter and a cute heart. Thanks again for helping us to show who we are!



MISSIONS THANKS YOU!

We shipped 141 bras to Free the Girls!!!

Thank you all for your generous donations. Our donations will enable the organization to provide more survivors of sex trafficking with the opportunity to earn a living selling second-hand clothing while going to school, getting healthy and caring for their families.



PHOTO CONTEST PRIZE
Congratulations Johan and Carol Dolphin!

COVID -19 update...

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and patience as we seek to be a church that is welcoming to all and cares for the safety of all. We look forward to starting Sunday School back at the end of the month with our children going directly to Sunday school at 9:30, following CDC guidelines. The Task Force and the Session will continue to discuss our guidelines this month, and we will inform you of any changes in our safety practices. We continue to pray for families and people affected with COVID, for health care workers that continue to serve tirelessly, and for our children who are still waiting for a vaccine and are going back to school.

LEMONADE TIME



When we gather again, if you would like to host lemonade time, but don't know what's involved? Call the church office (689-4412) to sign-up or get instructions.

This is a great opportunity to show your hospitality.

Thanks again for all that you do. We are Blessed and continue to be a blessing to others. Thanks be to God!



Resource Pet Center

We continue to collect old towels, and blankets and newspapers for the Pet Resource Center on Falkenburg.



Blessing Bags are still being created and will now be placed in the fellowship hall for pick up. Please pick up a few and hand them out. We are in need of gently used or new ball caps and t-shirts.

**SAVE THE DATE !
SUNDAY, AUGUST 28
5th Sunday Serve**

After church and a wonderful hot meal we will head out into our community to serve.

Options for service will be:

- * Homeless meals - making bag lunches and Blessing bags and taking them out to the homeless with a hot meal.
- * Providing house and or yard cleaning to a few of our MOW clients. Doing large jobs they are unable to handle themselves.
- * Adopting Wheeler Ave to pick up trash and planting native plants in the Seffner Cemetery entrance.
- * Also we're building picnic tables at Cedarkirk!

PLEASE, PLAN ON SERVING

Our Yard sale was a great success!

Thank you to all who helped with providing items to sell, setting up and cleaning up. We were able to make \$4,457.00 We will be sending a check for \$5,000 to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance hopefully before the next disaster hits.

At the time of this writing we have collected a little over 400 pairs of socks for "Sock it to Beth-El" Hopefully we will make our 750 pairs of socks goal. We will continue to collect socks through out the year , so if you see a good deal buy it now and bring them to church. We will save them for next year.

Again, thank you for sharing God's gifts to you with others. It's a blessing to be able to share our gifts and talents.



Looking for those **BIG HEARTS** to help with our **LITTLE Hearts** in the **NURSERY** during both worship services. You will be helping Ms Laura, our Nursery

Attendant plant seeds of the gospel in the hearts and minds of children with every song you sing, game you play, and snack you give. Parents appreciate your service more than you can even imagine. The ability to attend worship service without distraction and with peace of mind that their child is well taken care of is a gift, and they are very thankful. If **YOU** are one of those **BIG HEARTS** wanting to minister to **LITTLES** or wanting more information, please call the office or contact Patty MacEwen.



Rally Day in our church is a day we focus on our hard-working committees. Each committee will have a table set-up to provide answers to questions you may have. There will be information on how you may get involved in the activities of our "church with the big heart".

Lunch of pulled pork with extra sides will be prepared & served by the Fellowship and Missions Committees. Tables will be set up in the fellowship hall and also outside for those who feel more comfortable eating outdoors. Mark your calendar for **Sunday, August 22**, as we continue to safely welcome back our members.

**No Food or Drink
Allowed in Sanctuary**



We remind everyone to be mindful to please keep food and beverages in the courtyard. Trash receptacles are available to dispose of cups and napkins prior to entering the Sanctuary.

CAN YOU ASSIST?

NEED ASSISTANCE?



Please contact Carina Brushwood if you would like to volunteer to help in this ministry.

If you need an occasional ride to a doctor's appointment or to provide a meal following surgery or a special need let us know. Be sure to give us a 24 hour notice.

Carina Brushwood at fivebuzyb@verizon.net or (813) 643-8864.



SAVE THE DATE for our Church Family One Day Retreat at Cedarkirk on **Saturday, September 18!** The plan is to spend a wonderful day, enjoying God’s beautiful creation and our (also beautiful) brothers and sisters in Christ. More details will be coming as we get closer to the event, but it will include a “lunch only” option or a “lunch and dinner” option. The pool will be open, and rumor has it - s’mores and worship will close out the evening! Please make plans to attend! **Sign-up form enclosed.**

Make plans to join us for our annual
2021 Cedarkirk - ONE DAY
Church Family Retreat
September 18

Come for a day of faith, food, fellowship and fun!

We’re keeping it super simple this year with our Church Family Retreat – one day at Cedarkirk full of FAITH, FUN and FELLOWSHIP! Join us Saturday, September 18 from 10am to 8pm for activities (crafts, swimming, zip line, puzzle building, etc.) along with a delicious lunch and dinner fresh from the Cedarkirk kitchen. **Please register by Sunday, Aug. 22 to reserve your spot by turning in a deposit & registration form** to the church office. Any questions, please call or email church office.

A \$25/person, non-refundable deposit is due with registration form.

ONE DAY CHURCH FAMILY RETREAT:

Saturday, September 18 from 10 am to 8pm

Includes 2 meals (lunch and dinner) swimming, disc golf, games, hiking, crafts, puzzles, campfire & s’mores

Cost:

\$40 (Adult, age 13 and up)

\$30 (Youth, age 5 – 12)

Free for children 4 and under

Cedarkirk 2021 Registration Form

Name(s) _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

_____ # of Adults (13+) _____ #of Youth (5-12) _____ # of Children (under 5) _____

Deposit \$ _____ check/cash (circle one) Balance due \$ _____

Special requests (dietary, mobility, other?): _____

 Make checks payable to Presbyterian Church of Seffner. Please indicate “retreat” in memo.

**CHECK OUT THE NEW SIGNS
 AROUND THE CHURCH!**

We thank Kevin and Sheryl Taylor for making and installing the new signs, making easier for everyone to navigate around our campus.



AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

August 1

Head Usher: Jay Heidt
 Usher: Dewey Walklin
 Acolyte: Finley Heidt
 Attendance Greeter: Anne Heidt
 Entrance Greeter: Carina Brushwood
 Office: Sara High (8/5)

August 8

Head Usher: Jim High
 Usher: Sara High
 Acolyte: Caroline Boyd
 Attendance Greeter: Deb Thatcher
 Entrance Greeter: Cammie Williams
 Office: Jim High (8/12)

August 15

Head Usher: Jeff Mason
 Usher: Bobby Braxton
 Acolyte: Lotte Triebwasser
 Attendance Greeter: Nancy Mason
 Entrance Greeter: Chris Spangler
 Office: TBD (8/19)

August 22

Head Usher: James Boyd
 Usher: Janet Holzman
 Acolyte: Noah Boyd
 Attendance Greeter: Carol Shick
 Entrance Greeter: Chris Spangler
 Office: Cammie Williams (8/26)

August 29

Head Usher: Jeff Mason
 Usher: Dewey Walklin
 Acolyte: Penny Childs
 Attendance Greeter: Janet Holzman
 Entrance Greeter: Nancy Mason
 Office: Sara High (9/2)

If you are unable to serve on your assigned Sunday, please contact a substitute. Thank you for sharing your talents and time.

TEMPLE KEEPERS

Jay Heidt
 on or before 8/7

Ed Holzman
 on or before 8/14

Mark Williams
 on or before 8/21

Jim High
 on or before 8/28

Ed Kelsey
 on or before 9/4



**CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY!
 GIVE A FINANCIAL GIFT
 TO THE CHURCH**

Birthdays

Ed Holzman	8/2
Aubree Lapham	8/2
Bonnie Taylor	8/2
Charles Brandt	8/8
Kathy Kelsey	8/14
Charlotte Triebwasser	8/18
Danh Cooney	8/20
Margaret Hodson	8/21
Aaron Sampson	8/21
Jennifer Todd	8/21
Donna Bargo	8/24
Matthew King	8/25
Paul Crawford	8/26
Christian Jaimungal	8/26

Anniversaries

Johanna and Raymond McCoy	8/2
Deborah and Don Thatcher	8/11
Anne and Troy Abe	8/12
Laura and Ed Moseley	8/15
Sue and Mo Calvert	8/24
Carina and Todd Brushwood	8/25
Anne and Jay Heidt	8/31

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Jean Barfield went Home to her Heavenly Father Sunday, June 19th. We give thanks to God for the gift of her life and the way she brought joy to so many. Our thoughts and prayers are with Jim, Joy, Jay, Jeff and the whole family.

THANK YOU...

For all the love and support many have shown in honoring Jean's wishes of memorials being directed to Meals on Wheels program.

Jean was a devoted volunteer and with the help of other dedicated volunteers, she planned, grocery shopped, and prepared delicious and healthy meals for the Meals on Wheels clients.

Memorials may be sent to:
 Presbyterian Church of Seffner, PO Box 545, Seffner, FL 33583
 Memo: Meals on Wheels

Generosity
 changes everything

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP

YTD June 2021	Actual	Budget
Income	\$120,706	\$127,974
Expense	\$114,384	\$127,974
Net (+/-)	\$ 6,322	

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>11 am Worship</i>	2	3 <i>7pm Session Meets</i>	4 <i>8:30 am Meals on Wheels</i> <i>6pm Youth Ice Cream Nigh</i>	5 <i>3pm Task force meeting</i>	6	7
8 <i>9:30 am Worship</i> <i>11 am Worship</i> <i>12:30 pm Staff Retreat</i>	9	10 <i>1pm Women's Bible Study</i>	11 <i>8:30 am Meals on Wheels</i> <i>7:30 pm Choir Resumes</i>	12	13	14
15 <i>Communion</i> <i>9:30 am Worship</i> <i>11 am Worship</i> <i>Newsletter Items Due For September Issue</i>	16	17	18 <i>8:30 am Meals on Wheels</i> <i>7:30 pm Choir</i>	19	20	21
22 <i>Rally Day</i> <i>Sunday School</i> <i>Welcome Back</i> <i>9:30 am Worship</i> <i>11 am Worship</i>	23	24 <i>1pm Women's Bible Study</i>	25 <i>8:30 am Meals on Wheels</i> <i>6 pm Youth Meeting</i> <i>7:30 pm Choir</i>	26	27	28
29 <i>8:30am-1:00pm Blood Drive</i> <i>9:30am Worship</i> <i>11am Worship</i> <i>12 pm Luncheon</i>	30	31				