



Glorifying God by making obedient followers of Christ through the Word.

March 2024 *Pursuing Christ*

March Memory Verse

Seek ye the Lord while He
may be found, call ye upon
Him while he is near:
~ Isaiah 55:6

March Birthdays

3/3—Rose Bollom
3/4—Brad Scott
3/8—Lydia Nicholson
3/9—Kathy Munne
3/13—Darlene Fields
3/15—Gris Rowley
3/16—Sinclair Cason
3/16—Aubree Zern
3/16—Bob Mathis
3/19—Jake Hauser
3/21—Elyse Cherry
3/22—Virginia Stinton
3/28—Michelle Moore



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7pm Softball Game (BP) Culver's afterwards	2
3 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	4 8:30am-2:30pm CCS Open House 7pm Softball Game (GT)	5	6 6:30pm Bible Study & Prayer Youth Group Awana—March Madness 7:40 Business Meeting	7 CCS SSACS Fine Arts Competition	8 8pm Softball Game (BP)	9
10 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9:15&10:15am Donuts & Milk Fundraiser 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 12:00pm Yard Sale Prep	11 8pm Softball Game (GT)	12	13 6:30pm Bible Study & Prayer Youth Group Awana Clubs	14	15 7pm Softball Game (GT)	16 8am-1pm Youth Yard Sale Fundraiser
17 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	18 9pm Softball Game (GT)	19	20 6:30pm Bible Study & Prayer Youth Group Awana Clubs 7:15 Deacons' Meeting	21 CCS Jr/Sr Banquet	22 1:45pm Lipizzan Senior Adult Activity 8pm Softball Game (GT)	23
24 Palm Sunday 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service Noon - Church Picnic Whitfield Park	25	26	27 6:30pm Remembrance (Lord's Supper) Service	28	29	30
31 Easter Sunday 7:15am Sunrise Service 8:30am Easter Service	April 1 CCS No School 7pm Softball Game (GT)	2	3 6:30pm Bible Study & Prayer Youth Group Awana Clubs	4 CCS Athletic Awards Banquet	5 8pm Softball Game (BP)	6 8:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast TBA Ladies' Craft Day

March Community News

Awana Clubs: **Wednesday, March 6** is *March Madness* night in Awana! Clubbers can earn double Awana bucks that night by attending, wearing their favorite team jersey or dressing like a cheerleader, saying verses, bringing a Bible, etc.

Time Change Donuts & Milk Sale: Since we lose an hour of sleep on **Sunday, March 10** for the time change, the Community Kids have you covered! They will be selling donuts and milk in the church lobby around 9:15am and 10:15am that morning as they try to raise money to send a deaf child to camp at the Bill Rice Ranch.

Youth Yard Sale: The youth group's annual yard sale fundraiser to raise money for the Wilds summer camp is **Saturday, March 16** from 8am-1pm. There is no car wash this year, but there will be funnel cakes for sale (along with other food items)!

- If you have items to donate to the sale, please bring them in to the youth room by Wednesday, March 13. See Nick Repholz or a teen for help unloading items.
- Parents and teens, we need your help Sunday, March 10 after the morning service to move items from the youth room to the lobby.

Senior Adult Activity: On **Friday, March 22**, our senior adults are invited to see the Herrmann's Royal Lipizzan horses practice. Please sign-up in the lobby if you'd like to attend. Meet at the church at 1:45pm to ride the bus to the 3:00 show in Myakka City. The cost is \$10 per person. You can bring your own lawn chair or bleacher seats are available.

Church Picnic: We hope you'll make plans to join us for our annual church picnic after the morning service on **Sunday, March 24**, at **Whitfield Park** (7301 Connecticut Ave) as we enjoy food, games and fellowship together.

- All the food and drinks will be provided, but we are asking those who plan to attend to *make a donation of any size to help cover the meal costs*. You can mark your donation on an offering envelope or leave it in the basket that will be out on that Sunday.
- There is limited parking at the park, so we encourage you to carpool if possible.
- Feel free to wear your church t-shirt to church that day! (New shirts are being ordered but may not be ready in time.)
- There is a pavilion with picnic tables, but feel free to bring your own chair or blanket to sit on if you would like.

Remembrance Service: On **March 27**, the Wednesday before Easter during Spring Break, we will have a Remembrance Service in the auditorium with Scripture readings and hymns about the cross (no youth group or Kids' Club). We will also partake of the Lord's Supper during this more solemn service as we consider Christ's suffering leading up to the resurrection.

Easter Sunday: We have two special early services for Easter on **March 31**—a Sunrise Service at **7:15am** outside by the bus barn (with light refreshments in the lobby to follow), and an **8:30am** Easter Service with special music and a message. Children will enjoy a "Missing Piece" Easter lesson in children's church followed by an egg hunt on the back field after the service. There are invite cards available, please take some to hand out!

Men's Breakfast/Ladies' Craft: On **Saturday, April 6**, our men are invited to the fellowship hall for a hearty breakfast and time of discussion and prayer together. Our ladies also have a craft day that morning with more details to be announced!

Upcoming Opportunities

April 14.....Missionary Aaron Houtz, 9:30 & 10:30am
 April 24.....Awana Store Night
 May 1.....Awana Final Night and Awards Ceremony
 May 19.....Teen Service and Fundraiser Meal
 May 24.....CCS Senior Graduation
 June 9-15.....Wilds Camp Week (teens and juniors)



Looking Back...

< *Widowed Friends Breakfast on 2/13*

> *Senior Adult Outing to the Manatee Viewing Center on 2/27*

< *Lunch and Community Groups on 2/18*

> *Culver's after the softball game on 3/2*



CCS News:

- **Open House:** CCS will welcome prospective families to campus from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on **Monday, March 4**. This is a great opportunity to tour campus and meet our teachers. *If you know of someone looking for good, quality Christian education, please invite them to the school's open house!*
- **SSACS Competition:** The CCS senior high band, choir, along with other groups and individuals are involved in the Sunshine State Association of Christian Schools state fine arts competition **March 7-8** in Tampa.
- **Spring Break:** There is no school **March 25-29** for Spring Break.

Community Connections:

Email: See Pastor or Kasey to be added to the church email list.

Church Text: 941-347-0322

Facebook: CommunityBaptist

YouTube Livestream: CommunityBaptistFL



February Attendance

<i>Sundays</i>	<i>Wednesdays</i>
2/04—130 (SS 74)	2/07—97
2/11—144 (SS 100)	2/14—91
2/18—122 (SS 82)	2/21—107
2/25—128 (SS 84)	2/28—101

February Giving

2/04—\$5,363.00 (\$685 FP)
 2/11—\$3,113.00 (\$365 FP)
 2/18—\$9,187.25 (\$670 FP)
 2/25—\$3,856.00 (\$1,296 FP)
Other: Children's Ministry-\$60;
 CCS Ministry-\$40

