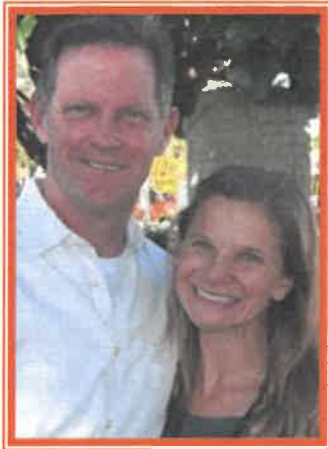




The Church By The Sea

SEATALK



Message from Pastor Chris

Dear Friends,

Each day I have the pleasure of witnessing how God is growing us closer to Him and to each other. A loving church and a grace-filled congregation that seeks to serve is a church that God honors and blesses.

I am excited as I look forward to the Fall and the new school year. I am excited because the kids are back in school. Amen? Our halls during the week here are full again with the sound of joyful kids and loving teachers! I am grateful for our incredible preschool family! I am also excited because of all the Fall activities and ministries. We had an amazing Anchor's Aweigh where many of you signed up to help serve or to get more involved. We have many areas to serve and grow as well as areas where help is needed.

This year we are working to open new opportunities for everyone to get connected, dig in deeper in their faith, and faithfully serve in our community:

We are working on launching a young adults ministry and hope that you will reach out if you are interested in helping with this.

We are also working to communicate what our various bible study groups are focusing on so that you can join us when there is a topic that interests you. Each week, our bible study topics will be displayed in the bulletin.

Our mission leaders will be having a planning session in mid-October to organize how we as a church can have the biggest impact on our community. Keep an eye out later in the month to look for opportunities on how you can serve the community through these planned mission projects.

God is moving and blessing us in so many ways. We must remember to stop and say thank you, Lord, for we are so grateful for the opportunity to serve Him and serve our neighbor.

One of my favorite verses in the Bible is John 13:34-35. It says, "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." What does God want from us? God wants our heart and for us to love. *Everyone will know...if you love one another.* Let's keep the great tradition of this church by loving those around us with a love from above that way everyone will know. God bless.

In His Grip,
Chris



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What's Happening This Season



The Fall Season is always a busy time at The Church By The Sea. The school is back to class and many church activities are scheduled. We also always look forward to seeing so many of our friends who live up north during the summer return to worship and fellowship with their Florida church family.

Before we look ahead to all that will be going on this fall let's look back at a few things we just did. In August we had two amazing fun-filled events. We held our first ever Sock Hop on August 17th presented by our Youth Ministry. This was truly a spectacular event as Eden Hall was transformed into a fifties diner. There was dancing to fifties music and all ages had a "super cool" time. If you did not get a chance to attend this year we highly recommend you save the date on your calendar once it is announced for next year as you definitely do not want to miss out. We also held our annual Anchors Aweigh Pig Roast on August 26th. This is our official kick off to the new church year. We had our ministry tables set up in Eden Hall so our congregation can see those areas of the church they would be interested to become more involved with.

On Saturday, October 6th we held our first ever Oktoberfest. It was a wonderful evening in Eden Hall with great food and a festive atmosphere. A big thank you to Peter and Cheri Schmidt for leading the way as well as all the volunteers who helped make this such a spectacular event.

While the summer months are usually a more quiet time we did keep busy installing new flooring in our Sanctuary. The green carpet was removed and replaced with new flooring as well as having steps installed in the front of the chapel leading to the Altar. All of this will enhance the viewing and listening during our Worship Services.

As we are now in the Fall Season there are some big events to look forward to. Of course we have our annual **Trunk or Treat** which will be held on Sunday October 28th. Please see page 7 of this newsletter for more information.

The Men's Club will be once again parking cars for the Fort Lauderdale Boat Show. The dates we will be parking cars are Thursday, November 1st thru Sunday, November 4th. Please check the sign-up board on the patio to see if you are available to volunteer on any of those dates.

We will begin to celebrate Thanksgiving with our annual Thanksgiving potluck luncheon on November 11th in Eden Hall following worship. The church will be providing the main dishes but will have a sign up board on the patio for sides and desserts.

On November 17th and 18th we will be holding our third annual Holiday Boutique in Eden Hall. Please check out the back page of this newsletter for more information.

Please save the date December 9th on your calendar for our annual *Christmas Gala*. This year the gala will be in Eden Hall the evening of Sunday the 9th. More information and invitations are soon to follow. This is the main fundraiser for The Church By The Sea Corporation. The corporation is responsible for the building and grounds of our church. Thus they are responsible for all repairs and maintenance of the church property and the Pastor's home. The offerings collected on Sunday go to support the church ministry but the corporation is funded mainly by the gala. There will be delicious food, dancing, and wonderful gifts to be raffled. This is a great event to get into the Christmas spirit and we hope to see you on Sunday December 9th.

Finally we will really celebrate the greatest gift to us all in the birth of Jesus Christ. On Sunday, December 23rd will be our annual **Cookies, Caroling, and Cocktails**. We will travel through the neighborhood singing those favorite carols we all have then return to the Pastor's home for fellowship, fun, and refreshments for all ages. On Christmas Eve we will have our two services. At 5pm will be our Family Service with our children and youth leading the service and celebrating Christ's birth with presenting the Nativity Scene. Please plan on arriving early for this service as the Sanctuary is filled to capacity. At 10pm is our candlelight service with traditional Christmas hymns and beautiful music from our Chancel Choir. Our Christmas Eve services truly capture the spirit of Christmas.

As you can see there is a lot to be involved with this season to fellowship with your church family.

MISSIONS REPORT

Mexico Mission

The loyal support of Church by the Sea has had a cumulative impact as we integrate our hard-learned lessons into building and growing Natic, an organization that supports education and economic empowerment in Chiapas, México and the Lake Atitlán region of Guatemala.

The most cost-effective means for communities to confront poverty and marginalization are to keep children in school for as long as possible, and to empower people to create their own micro-economic opportunities at the local level. In the areas where Natic works, education beyond sixth grade, and economic opportunities beyond subsistence manual labor are considered unattainable luxuries.

Church by the Sea supports Natic's partner organization Yo'onik Community Center in Zinacantán, Chiapas, México. With a budget based on CBTS quarterly mission support, Yo'onik provides study stipends for high school students, who in turn mentor younger students in the Yo'onik Community Learning Center in Zinacantán, Chiapas, México.

Natic's board members live all over the United States, and our next meeting will be in Fort Lauderdale, on the weekend of January 19-20, 2019!

We hope to arrange for a lunch or dinner during that weekend for congregation members who are interested in learning more about Natic's work in Mexico and Guatemala. If you are interested in offering a spare bedroom to a board member for that weekend, please contact Marcia Lee (CBTS Mission Council Natic Representative) or Bill Harvey (Member of the CBTS congregation and Natic Board Member).

Thank you
Anita Smart

Our Mission Committee led by Nancy Mauro, Marcia Short and Deborah Von Behren have been hard at work planning our mission projects for the upcoming season. They just completed a very successful planning meeting at Sheridan house on Saturday, October 15th. We support eight different missions financially with 11% of all pledges and offerings from our congregation. The first half of 2018 your pledges and offerings allowed The Church By The Sea to give \$28,955 or \$3,619 to each of the following eight missions:

Cooperative Feeding (LifeNet4Families)
Covenant House
Gideons International
Miami Rescue Mission (Broward Outreach)
Mexico Mission (Natic)
Seafarers of Fort Lauderdale
Sheridan House
St. Laurence Chapel

We will be having our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive (Feeding 5000) beginning in early November for distribution to St. Laurence Chapel and Cooperative feeding the week of Thanksgiving.

Our mission committee is busy reaching out to those in need in our community. If you would like more information on how you can get involved give us a call.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Mariella Gomez & Dainiz Alvarez and
Daniella-August



Andrew Costa
August

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION *Something for Everyone*

The Church by The Sea provides several opportunities to grow your relationship with God. We currently offer three different Bible Studies. They are Sisters In Scripture, Fellowship of Women, and an Adult Bible Study which meets every Wednesday night in the Green Room. The following is a brief description of each of these programs. We hope you can come join one and learn in fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ.



SISTERS IN SCRIPTURE
EVERY TUESDAY at 9:15am

A women's Bible study for both beginners or experienced readers. They meet in the Youth Room every Tuesday at 9:15am

FELLOWSHIP OF WOMEN
EVERY TUESDAY at 11AM



A wonderful bible study for women led by Carol Cleary. They meet in the Green Room every Tuesday at 11am

BIBLE STUDY
Come Join Us
ALL ARE WELCOME

Every Wednesday at 6:30pm

Do you desire to know God better?

Would you like to put God's word in focus and go deeper into God's will and purpose for us?

If so, The Bible Study at The Church By The Sea will help you with your walk with God and allow you to approach, engage and apply God's word. The Bible Study is an informal way to fellowship and find out who God really is. The Church By The Sea Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Green Room.



The Youth Group has been going strong for well over a year now, and we could not be more happy with the direction it is going. The graduation of last years 5th graders into this years 6th graders has boosted our numbers to the point that when everyone comes out we have quite a large group. This makes the fun times we share with each other even better, as the more kids we can get to come together from different neighborhoods and different schools the more we can learn and grow from each other. We have been having a lot of fun ever since

the summer ended. First we had the wonderful end of summer Sock Hop event in August which was so much fun and was regarded as a resounding success from everyone who attended. Since then we've been rotating the fun between Friday night game nights, and Sunday night Youth Group meetings. We had an ice cream social in Eden Hall following church a couple weeks back, and this too was a really fun event in which our group got to interact in a positive way with the rest of the congregation. One Sunday night a few weeks back we painted all of the curbs and backstops in the parking lot, and what a sense of pride and accomplishment this created among the group who helped make it happen. We truly believe these young adults loves their church just as much as the grown adults do, and watching them give back to it really was an awesome thing to see. Upcoming in the near future we are planning a bowling outing for a Saturday afternoon, and the week after that is going to be our 2nd Annual Halloween Lock In. Beyond that we will simply continue to try and do our best to bring the youth of this church together to learn, laugh, grow, and have fun together as a group united in Christ's love.



Our students have been very busy this first quarter. The children have had a wonderful time performing inquiry- based science experiments. Preston James experiments with dispersing colors in milk with soap detergent. At the beginning of this school year our Parent's Club very generously donated a state-of-the-art building water table.

Many of the teachers base their Friday lessons around this wonderful teaching tool. The children enjoy engineering different structures and exploring with sand, rocks, water, and ramps. Everett Peters is pictured experimenting how water will flow over the structure he



Blake Fanchamps

has created. We have also been using different sources of light to learn and play in the classrooms. Blake Fanchamps explores with different shapes and colors using an overhead projector. Chloe Clancy thinks carefully about the picture she is creating at the light table in her classroom. Currently, we are exploring the possibility of offering a full day program next year so we can accommodate working families. We are really excited about this new program and are enjoying planning for the future.



Chloe Clancy



Preston James



Everett Peters

CHILDREN'S

Hello Church Family,

What a fun and fabulous start to the faith-filled year ahead! Our growing youth group provided two exciting new events for our children and families to gather. Both the sock hop and the ice cream social were jammed pack with fun and fellowship as our families celebrated being together! During our Anchors Aweigh church-wide kick off event, Salty Sue entertained all the kids with a treasure hunt, magic show, and an entertaining skit for kids of all ages. Thank you to all the parent volunteers that came together to make that possible.

Introducing The Vine Family Ministry

We are so excited to have launched a new way to connect our young church families called The Vine Family Ministry.

Why The Vine?

John 15:5 says "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

What's The Vine?

Vine Leaders

The following is a list of all our Children Committee leaders so that you may recognize their name when they reach out to you:

Dan Ayers
Lauren Carroll
Sabrina Edler
Sarah Heller
Celeste Koster
Nancy Thomas
Jennifer White



"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."
- John 15:5

STAY CONNECTED TO THE VINE

The Vine Family Ministry seeks to keep all of our families growing in Christ and to each other by staying connected to our church family.

Our Vine Leaders will stay in touch with you over the course of the year to keep you up to date on any upcoming functions, to hear about any big changes in your families that you would like to share and to just be there to help connect you to the church in any way you may need.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to your vine leader, myself or Chris at any time if there is any way we can help you in your life, with the church or in your journey with God. We are here to walk with you in any way we can.

If you have not yet received any communication from a vine leader, please drop me an email and let me know. We are still working on getting all our records up to date and want to make sure we are not missing anyone.



1ST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH!

**Our fall theme is:
An Attitude of Gratitude!**

Between September and November the kids will be learning about how to recognize and express gratitude and thanksgiving in their lives. They will be working to develop a thankful tree that will be delivered to our friends at the Harbor Beach Nursing Home.

**Thankfulness in Action! Family Outting!
November 18, 2pm
Harbor Beach Nursing and Rehab Facility**

MINISTRY

Save the Dates!

October 28 (4:30-6:30) - Trunk or Treat

November 18 (2:00pm)- Minute For Mission Family Outing to Harbor Beach Rehab Facility

November 17 & 18 - Holiday Boutique - Please stop by for a kick-off to your holiday shopping season! Proceeds from the event support our exciting Children's ministry.

Thank you for all you do to support our ministry. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you are ever interested in helping out or if you have any questions!

With so much love,

Marie Reny

Director of Children's Ministries

The Church By The Sea's

TRUNK or TREAT

Sunday, Oct 28 | 4:30p-6:30p

Food, Games and Treats
Prizes for Trunks and Costumes
Music and More

Free Event  Everyone Welcome

CORPORATE BOARD REPORT

Since the release of the Summer Sea Talk, our big flooring project was completed and our choir has never sounded better. Since the flooring was put in, we had some issues with the sound system which necessitated new speakers. At this point, all sound issues have been rectified. The entire perimeter was treated for termites as were some spot treatments inside. During the Sock Hop, there were some issues with the cooling system of Eden Hall which has been repaired. As you all are aware, we are continuing to experiment with the parking lot. The curbs and curb stops for the circle have received a fresh coat of white paint thanks to our Youth Group. We have also painted lines in the grass to make parking a bit more efficient. We will be trying out angled parking later on this month. We are also looking into the feasibility of head-in parking on the swale. Our Inaugural Oktoberfest was a success netting the Corporate Board more than \$5k and next year's will be even better. Besides all of the other events going on this fall, don't forget to sharpen your dance skills so you are ready for this year's Christmas Gala. Please continue to share your suggestions on ways we can improve our facilities.

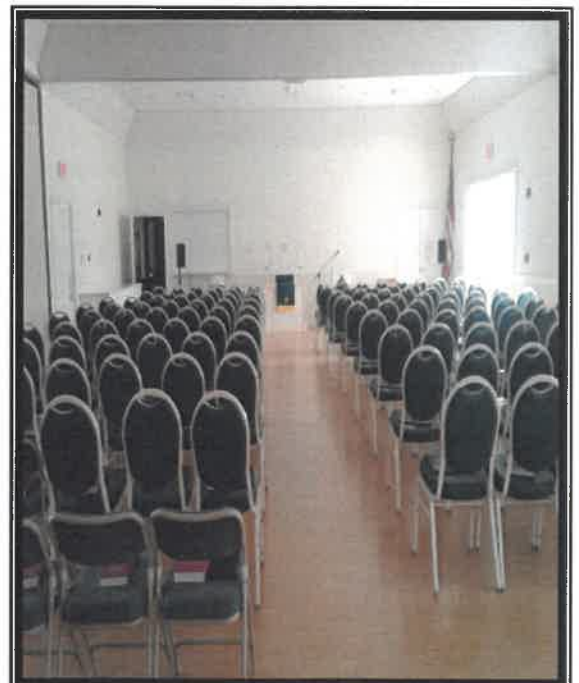
Dave Finneran
Corporate Board, President



FLOOR INSTALLATION



NEW FLOORING IN SANCTUARY



Eden Hall set up for Worship Service on July 8th & 15th while floor in Sanctuary was being installed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The below numbers reflect the report for the period of June thru September 2018 for Ecclesiastic. As the numbers reflect we ended the quarter with a negative cash flow of \$46,546.18. Please continue to support CBTS with your pledges, Loose Offering and Donations. As we approach our Stewardship drive please remember that we need your continued support, and please remember to include CBTS in your estate planning.

—David Leone

The Church by the Sea Profit and Loss Statement July - September 2018

Income		Expenses	
Tithes/Offerings	\$ 371,780.07	Committee Expenses	\$ 90,653.91
Committee Income	\$ 31,652.32	Music/Choir	\$ 26,370.91
Wedding Income	\$ 8,860.00	Worship Expense	\$ 5,471.11
Baptism/Funeral Income	\$ 4,625.00	Office Expenses	\$ 23,525.42
Investment Income	\$ 0.0	Payroll	\$ 245,839.09
Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 4,841.64	Pastor Benefits	\$ 37,488.53
		Utilities	\$ 13,741.51
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$ 421,729.03</u>	<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 467,274.21</u>

Net Income -46,546.18

UBS Investments	\$103,169.89
Bank of America Operating Account	\$ 81,148.80
Pastor Annuity	\$ 49,502.82

Restricted Funds Balances as of 6/30/2018

Men's Club	\$ 10,987.00
Choir Fund	\$ 130.00
Fow Fund	\$ 200.00
Judie Wright Fund	\$ 8,072.00
TLLP Seniors Program	\$ 439.00
Total Restricted Funds	\$ 19,848.00

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

Sophia Quesada	1	Justin Noel	12	John Delaney	22
Olga Van Dorn	1	John Prosje	12	Katy Fowler	22
Charles Smith	2	Jacqueline Bayer	13	Sandi Gardner	23
Colleen Stiebeling	2			Robert Whaley	23
Lee Banks	3	Celeste Koster	13	Gabriel Aulet	24
Jackson Clark	3	Barry Harbour	14	Preston Byk	24
Daniel Lovell	3	Witt Hudson	14	William Gerwig	24
Linda Judd	4	Robert Quesada	14	Raegan Zalman	24
Jacqueline Menapace	5	Trace Zalman	15	Dan Ayres	25
Alexa Barnett	8	Dainiz Alvarez	16	Lynne Jantz	25
Calypso Coulter	8	Kaylee Brown	17	Adan Aulet	26
Daniel Kincaid	8	Hayden Ferenc	17	Holly Schaefer	27
Riley Clark	9	David Thomas	17	Jimmy Conway	28
Sydney Clark	9	Lily Barnett	18	Jack Jones	28
Tamika Greenwood	9	John Meiners III	20	Lucien Bret	30
Coral Johansson	9	Calvin Simmons	20	Jennifer Rozman	31
Josh Edler	11	Bailey Braswell	21		
Lori Franke	11	Bonny Cole	21		
Marlin Johansson	12	Mike Heller	21		
Dylan Most	12				

NOVEMBER

Andrew Rozman	1	Janet Strom	9	James Haynes	23
Stefan Estevez	2	Richard Taylor	11	Lola Sorg	23
Andres Gunther	2	Christopher Kane	13	Xavier Bret	24
Juliet Johansson	2	Gionni Quesada	14	Laura Guimaraes	25
Georgia Ruf	2	Dr. Paul Bender	15	Gerald Omstead	25
Sabrina Edler	3	Jillian Gulbranson	15	James Thomas	25
Cynthia Herr	3	Yueting Wan	15	Savannah Fisher	27
Alistair Bass	4	Ray Anderson	16	Marilyn Omstead	27
Duane Fritz	6	Jane Wheatley	16	John Riser	27
Beth Houghton	6	Sylvia Stafford	17	Chad Zalman	27
Hope Simmons	6	Cora Lewis	19	Margo Klein	29
Mikola Rizzi	7	Rose Lovell	20	Lindsay White	29
Emerson Gerdes	8	Andrew Stowe	22		
Larry Judd	8	Anna Finneran	23		



BIRTHDAYS continued...

DECEMBER

Shirley McCollum	1	Tara Houghton	14	Kristine Wood	18
Lieschen O'Neill	1	Sloane Nickel	14	Susan Gundlach	19
Jennifer Vogler	2	Alexis Bret	15	Bill Harvey	25
William Peters	3	Mark Conroy	15	Catherine Perron	26
Samantha Van Nuys	3	Lindsay Harbour	16	Dan Shelton	26
Helen McKenzie	4	Arielle Peters	16	Patty Caliendo	27
Brian Kurz	5	Sissy Towsley	16	Trevor Luks	27
Zachary Most	7	Beth Welker	16	George Beyer	28
JoAnn Wood	7	Amelia Kincaid	17	Chloe Quail	28
Josh Gulbranson	8	Dale Lee	17	Andrew Malcolm	29
Jennifer Lovell	8	Michael Rollins	17	Karen Sambell	29
Jagger Nickel	9	June Whitney	17	Chase Sweers	29
Jeff Prosjie	9	Larry Yturalde	17	Isabella Rowland	30
Ashley Freedland	10	Nicole Audrey Banks	18		
Lauren Menapace	10	Ashley Banks	18		
Kevin White	10	Tracy Gulbranson	18		
Dan Hansen	11	William Gundlach	18		
Beverly Downey Johnson	12	Mackenzie Malcolm	18		
Michael Patestides	12	A J Nickel	18		
Bryan Navarro	13	Brennan Parsons	18		

ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

Ed & Debbie Janus	1
Garry & Karen Sambell	3
Calvin & Hope Simmons	4
Dale & Marcia Lee	7
Mark & Sherrie Kukulski	10
Josh & Sabrina Edler	15
Duane & Corinne Fritz	28
Rosanna Durruthy & Martita Mestey	30
William & Kay Spiker	30

NOVEMBER

Charles & Chrysti Cassel	3
Trevor & Ashton Luks	5
George & Elizabeth Gardner	7
Steve & Jeannie Hudson	8
Edd & Carol Helms	10
Robert & Amanda Baumann	15
Roger & Mary Ann Edwards	19
Sherwin & Gail Kiesshuer	19
William & Susan Gundlach	21
John & Joanne Jurgle	24
Julien & Lennie Elfenbein	27
John & Alice Meiners	28

DECEMBER

Andres & Cassie Carvajal	1
Robert & Nicholl Brabham	2
Mike & Debbie Stokes	2
Mark & Katy Eagen	4
Kevin & Jennifer White	10
Eric & Morgan Schmidt	13
William & Jane Wheatley	19
Jeff & Carla Palmer	30





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*"I am the Way
and the Truth
and the Life . . ."*

THE CHURCH BY THE SEA 3RD ANNUAL

Holiday Boutique

NOV. 17TH 10AM-2PM & NOV. 18TH 11AM-2PM

Come join us for a holiday shopping extravaganza!
Custom made jewelry, flip flops, beauty products,
mosaic lighthouses, bake sale and gift wrap too!
Burgers, hot dogs, soda and more available 11-1pm each day.

All money raised goes to the CBTS Children's Ministry

Join us!



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