

ON THE HORIZON



“Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty!”

Psalms 93:4

A Letter From The Pastor

BY JOHN STRADER

July is upon us and it is a month brimming with exciting opportunities for spiritual growth, service, and fellowship. I am thrilled to share what's ahead for our beloved church community.

Firstly, we are enthusiastically preparing for our annual Church Camp and Vacation Bible School (VBS), two of our most cherished events that offer enriching experiences for all ages. They provide a wonderful environment for learning, connection, and making lasting memories.

In line with our commitment to fulfilling the Great Commission, we are embarking on a mission trip to Alaska this month. As we reach out to our brothers and sisters far from home, let us remember to cover this endeavor in prayer and support.

Lastly, we will conclude our impactful sermon series, "Renewing the Mind: A Biblical Approach to Mental Health". The insights and conversations generated by this series have been truly inspiring. To celebrate our VBS week, we will have a special VBS Sunday dedicated to celebrating the joy and learnings from our children's journey.

I am eagerly looking forward to experiencing this vibrant month with you. May it be a time of spiritual nourishment, community growth, and joyful service in His name.

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Sunday Funday

THEME: READY, SET, MOVE!

This summer our Sunday School theme will be “Ready, Set, Move! Follow Jesus here, there, and everywhere” The kids will be learning that when you choose to follow Jesus, you never know where He might lead you. But you can take each step by faith—and trust in what you CAN’T see because of what you CAN see.



Their monthly memory verse is “God’s grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn’t come from anything you do. It is God’s gift.” Ephesians 2:8

Soul’d Out Youth

Soul’d Out Youth Wednesday nights are finished for the summer and will pick back up in the Fall! On Sunday mornings, the youth will be wrapping up a study on the book of Romans.

The youth leaders are planning to split the classes between middle school and high school on Sunday mornings for the new upcoming school year.

The youth will be having a beach retreat in Galveston on July 27th — 29th! They will be getting together for a few days of fun; playing games, swimming, and eating. They will also have bible lessons through the days to pour into them as the summer winds down.



Awana Club Wednesdays!

AWANA Club is finished for the school year and will start back in the Fall! Awana is a Wednesday night program from 6:30 to 8:00 PM where children learn about Jesus and dig deep into God’s word. We have classes ranging from preschool age to 5th grade! The goal of Awana club is to equip children with the knowledge of God's Word but also allow them to be able to apply His truth to their lives and face anything as disciples of Christ.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Joining a Sunday school class is a wonderful way to create deeper connections with our fellow church family but to also dive deeper into God's word. These smaller, intentional groups allow us to be vulnerable with one another and often turn into strong friendships who encourage us on our walks with Christ. We encourage you, if you are not already plugged into one, please feel free to visit any one of our classes until you find the right fit for you. These classes are huge blessings and allow us to lean on one another for wisdom, Godly fellowship, and friendship as we all strengthen our relationship with the Lord and gain more knowledge of His amazing word.

The Strong Family

The Strong Family class is led by Corey Waters and will focus on the challenges and concerns we face in Marriage & Parenting as Christians. Please join us as we grow in our relationship with the Lord and honor Him with our marriage and life!

Living Long & Loving It Spiritual Growth

This is a fun-loving Sunday School Class that believes in spiritual growth with a hint of laughter along the way. It is led by Mr. Jay Porter. They make sure that everyone that walks in the door the class is made to feel at home and feel like part of the family. They even throw in an occasional social along the way. Come early and you may even get a hug to start your morning!

Ladies Sunday School

This class is lead by Ms. Lela Burgess and she would like to share some insight into her class! "This class is for women, single, widowed, never married, married now divorced, young or not as young as you used to be. We currently meet in room 114 and we would love to have you join us. There is a lot that single women can and will do for the cause of Christ and a lot of it comes from being 'single' women. Our experiences are necessarily unique but we have a lot to offer to God and to others. Come try our class and see for yourselves."

All Sunday School classes are every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM

MEN & WOMEN MINISTRIES

Disciples of God Men's Ministry

Men's Ministry meets every other week at the Loftin house. Food, fellowship, and a study on how the Bible defines manhood. The next meeting is Wednesday, July 5th at 8:00 PM. Please ask Keith for more information.

We want to remind you of the invaluable role men play in our church community. Your unique gifts, perspectives, and leadership are essential to the growth and impact of Horizon Baptist Church. If you feel God tugging at your heart to step up and serve in a new capacity, don't hesitate to respond to His call.

Whether you're already engaged in a ministry or looking to get plugged in, reach out to Pastor John or Pastor Jodie to explore the opportunities available to make a real difference. Together, we can strengthen our bonds and become the men God has called us to be, serving Him and our community with passion and purpose.

Women of the Word (W.O.W.) Ministry

Our next W.O.W ministry meeting will be on July 9th at 1:00 PM. Keep an eye out for more exciting events to come!

The women of our congregation play a vital role in both the numerical and spiritual growth of Horizon Baptist Church. Your contributions, service, and love have an immeasurable impact on our community. Thank you for all that you do, and may God continue to bless and guide you.

HOME GROUPS

Pray & Go

Our Pray And Go ministry continues to touch lives and hearts in our community. As we aim to extend our reach, we're in need of a new neighborhood host who can provide a warm and welcoming staging point for our prayer walks. This is a wonderful way to serve your community and foster spiritual growth in our church family. If you feel led to open your home and be a part of this impactful ministry, please reach out to Pastor John. Together, let's continue to bless our neighborhoods through prayer, connection, and God's love.

Single Women

Our Single Women home group is finished meeting for the Summer and will pick back up in the Fall! This home group is for single woman including widows and divorcees for spiritual growth and to develop meaningful friendships. If you have any questions or if you are interested in joining, you can contact Rose Bess.

Young Adults

Our Young Adult Home Group is finished for the Summer and will start back up again in the Fall! Keep an eye out in the next couple of months for a Fall kick off date! We hope you consider joining us one day a month for some fun fellowship. This home group is for those married, single, with young kiddos, with old kiddos, with no kiddos, and everyone in between! This group is made to encourage one another on our individual walks with Christ and learn more about God's word together!

Volunteer Spotlight

GILDA VIDAL

Mrs. Gilda has been a member of our congregation for 43 years! She shares she is very grateful that our Lord Jesus Christ brought her and husband to worship Him at this church. She also shares that she's greatly grown spiritually by the unaltered teaching of God's Word by remarkable and faithful men who God has called to lead our congregation. Also, throughout this year she has had the opportunity to meet unforgettable believers that have blessed not only her life, but also her husbands! Mrs. Gilda has served the Lord in different positions such as Greeting Committee, Women Prayer Ministries, and as a Women Sunday School teacher. She shares that she has been tremendously blessed serving in these positions. She has also volunteered to help with child care during the Young Adults Home Group. She enjoys it very much! In her spare time, she is very entertained with watching TV, especially basketball and baseball! As we all know, Mrs. Gilda is a faithful, prayerful disciple for the Lord and is so intentional and encouraging to each one of us. What a blessing to have her as our sister in Christ! Thank you for your servanthip, Mrs. Gilda!



Horizon Family Photos



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Eve Hyndman Baby Dedication
Sunday, July 2
10:45 AM

4th of July Family Picnic
July 2
Following church

Men's Fellowship
Wednesday, July 5
8:00 PM

Women of the Word Meeting
Sunday, July 9
1:00 PM

Extreme VBS
July 17-21

Youth Beach Retreat
July 27-29

Senior Women Bible Study
Tuesdays
10:00 AM