

Beach Lake United Methodist Survey

In an effort to evaluate the direction and programs of our church, the Staff/Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) would appreciate your responses to the following survey questions. **Please place your finished survey in the box at the back of the sanctuary labeled "Surveys" or email to Beth Troop: bbtroop@gmail.com.**

1. How long have you attended this church? _____
2. Are you a member? Y N
 If yes, how long have you been a member?
 0-3 years 4-9 years 10 years or more
3. How often do you attend services?
 Weekly A couple times a month Every 2 or 3 months
 Occasionally

If you answered anything other than "Weekly," what might be preventing you from attending more regularly?

4. Which service do you normally attend?
 8:00 AM service 10:15 AM service
5. Are you Male Female
6. Please indicate age range:
 19 or under 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60 or over
7. What drew you to begin attending Beach Lake United Methodist?
 neighborhood location
 preaching
 music
 fellowship
 youth program
 education program
 building
 missional outreach
 It is my family's church
 I have a lot of friends who go here
 Handicap accessibility
 Other/Explain: _____

9. Please rate the following in *your* view as it relates to our church:

	Acceptable as is	Needs Improvement (please specify below)	Not vital to our growth
Sermons			
Biblical applications from sermon			
Involvement in local and global missions			
Connections with other United Methodist Churches			
Pastoral visitation: Hospital Home			
Lay Visitation: Hospital Home			
Community outreach			
Cleanliness			
Lay Leadership			

Comments: _____

10. What part of the music in worship is the most meaningful to you? (Please indicate your preferences in order: 1...2...3)

_____ Corporate Singing (gathering songs, hymns, choruses, etc.)

_____ Pieces by the choir

_____ Piano/organ prelude, offertory, postlude

_____ Other instrumental accompaniment

_____ Any familiar music that connects my heart to Jesus.

Comments: _____

11. In the chart below, we have included elements found in many Sunday morning services of worship. **Please mark the box that indicates your view** of each one as a regular part of our own worship service.

	Keep as is	I would like to see a change (Please specify in comments below)	Not Needed
Contemporary Music			
Gathering songs			
Projection of Songs/Scripture/ Announcements			
Choral or Spoken Call to Worship			
Welcome and Registration of Guests			
Lord's Prayer/ Apostle's Creed			
Anthem by Choir			
Pastoral Prayer			
Children's Sermon			
Offertory Prayer			
Scripture Reading			
Solo, Duet, or Other Vocal Music			
Use of band/orchestral instruments			
Invitation to Church Membership			
Opportunities for Service			
Communion			
Congregational singing—hymns, choruses			
Altar call/Invitation to discipleship			

Please use the space below to elaborate on any responses from the chart.

13. The mission of the Beach Lake United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world through Evangelism, Worship, Discipleship, Service, and Fellowship. Do you feel that this church is following this statement?

- Y N Unsure, since I am unfamiliar with the mission statement

Comments: _____

How can Beach Lake UMC be more effective in carrying out its mission? _____

What gifts/talents do you feel God has given *you* to help carry out the church's mission?

14. **For Youth:** What would/does keep you involved in the church?

- Assisting with worship Helping with younger children Sunday School
 UMYF
 Music Praise Team or Youth Choir
 I attend because my parents make me
 There is little right now that interests me about church

What types of things draw young people away from attending church? _____

What programs/activities would help you enjoy/attend church more?

15. **For All:** Just as we cannot grow physically on just one meal a week, we also cannot rely on just a one-hour worship service a week to help us grow spiritually. How do you “feed” yourself spiritually between services to help you grow in your faith? (What do you *do* to help you in your spiritual walk with Christ when you are not in church?)

16. Please indicate any suggestions for improvements/additions to programs or services you would like to see in our church (ie, specific topics for adult Sunday School, prayer service/group, more opportunities for involvement—for both youth and adults, etc.) that have not already been mentioned.

What additional questions would have been helpful to include in this survey? _____

If you would like someone to contact you for further discussion on any of your comments or concerns, please print and sign your name below. Names are optional, but direct contact is not possible without a signature.

Please place your finished survey in the box labeled “Surveys” at the back of the sanctuary at the end of this service or by next Sunday.

Thank you for your time and responses!

God Bless!

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee