



A fellowship ministry to meet new friends, re-connect with others, and build relationships at both campuses of St. Andrew By-The-Sea

What are the details?

Eight people form a group – some groups will be all couples and some a mix of singles and couples. Once you register, the Dinner for Eight Committee will assign you to a group. Groups are formed to begin in January 2017.

Group members take turns hosting a meal - Each couple (or combination of singles/couple) will take a turn being the host for your group. **Each group meets four times** during the year according to the availability of all group members.

What is expected of each host?

- The host(s) contact the other members of your group to set the date and time for your dinner.
- The hosts provide the meal in their home. Singles can team with another single or couple. Groups are encouraged to **keep the meals casual and focus on the fellowship**. Don't worry if you don't have a large dining area or are not a gourmet chef, it's the coming together that matters!
- Some groups may decide that the hosts provide the entire meal; other groups may decide that the hosts provide the main dish and beverages while other group members contribute sides and dessert. Some groups even meet in restaurants or at the beach; some like potluck – it's totally up to your group.

What if I'm only in the area part of the year?

Whether you are with us year-round or if you are one of our wonderful "snowbirds," this relationship-building, get-connected ministry is for you. Registration for both congregations takes place through December 18. Groups are formed in early January; dinners can begin as soon as they can be scheduled. Each group stays together through the end of the year.

How do I (or we) sign up?

To register to be part of a Dinner for Eight group, simply complete the registration form on the reverse side. Or, you can pick up a form at the church office or go to the church website, www.hhiumc.com, complete the form and send it to the church office. Registration deadline is January 15, 2017.

Then what happens?

Look for your Dinner for Eight letter by the end of January telling you who else is in your group along with their phone numbers and email addresses. The host at the top of the list is responsible for contacting others in the group to set up the first dinner. Remember, look for new names, the point is to meet and/or get to better know other folks in our church family!

Note: If you completed a registration form but have not received A Dinner for Eight letter by the January 31, please contact the church office.



2017 Registration Form

Name(s) _____

E-mail _____

Phone number _____

Address _____

Community, if applicable (i.e. Palmetto Hall, The Crescent, etc.) _____

I/We are in the Hilton Head/Bluffton area: _____ year round, or (check those that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> January | <input type="checkbox"/> April | <input type="checkbox"/> July | <input type="checkbox"/> October |
| <input type="checkbox"/> February | <input type="checkbox"/> May | <input type="checkbox"/> August | <input type="checkbox"/> November |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March | <input type="checkbox"/> June | <input type="checkbox"/> September | <input type="checkbox"/> December |

Please note: Groups will not be formed based on age, stage, neighborhood, or worship service usually attended. **The goal of this ministry is to meet and to get to know others in our congregations.** We will be intentional about mixing Bluffton and Hilton Head folks in the groups – remember we are one church with two locations!

Sign-up Deadline: January 15, 2017.
Groups will be notified by January 31, 2017.