

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Searching the Scriptures - Reading Oct 2 – Oct. 8

Exod. 20:1-4,7-9, 12-20, Ps 19, Phil 3:4b-14, Matt 21:33-46

**World Communion Sunday** is **Oct. 1**. This special Sunday emphasizes that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is an annual opportunity for United Methodists to call attention to the unity of all Christians at the table of the Lord, and to raise funds to support United Methodist students in the U.S. and worldwide.

**Blessing of the Animals** – SUMC invites you to bring your pets for the Blessing of the Animals next Sunday, **Oct. 8**, at 2 p.m. If you would like, you can bring pet food or a toy to donate to a local animal shelter.

**Pastor Meet and Greet** – Next Sunday, **Oct. 8**, If you want more information about our church or have questions about baptism or membership, please join the Pastors for coffee and conversation following each service in Bldg. 1, Rm. 27.

**Discover the Journey** – This 6-week study is an interactive series for anyone who would like to discover how SUMC worships, connects, serves, gives, and grows together. We'll explore our church's mission, vision, and core values. The journey begins **Oct. 11**, Bldg 2, Room 34, 7-8:30 pm. Please register on the SUMC website or with the link in the Scoop.

**The Sanctuary** is open to all people who desire rest and renewal. Come join us in worship **every Friday evening at 7 p.m.** in Bldg. 1 Fellowship Hall. Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matt. 11:28

**“Questions Jesus Asked” Book Study** group meets on **Tuesdays** through Oct 17, 6:30-7:45 pm in Bldg. 2, Rm 31. This group is digging deeper into our current six-week Sermon Series Join us as we explore the questions Jesus wants to know about us. Why are you terrified? What do you live for? Who do you say that I am?

**This week's food pantry needs:** Boxed cereal, canned fruit, canned or powdered milk.

**“Loving Your Teenager Well”** – *The 5 Love Languages of Teenagers* by Gary Chapman helps parents learn how to become equipped to help teens socially, mentally, and spiritually. There is still time to jump into this 8-week small group book study. Meets: **Tuesdays at 7 pm**, at Nat & Megan Fahy's home, 236 Bluff Rd, Cedar Point). For more info, call Megan at (703) 593-9149

**Choral Evensong Worship** - an ancient Anglican tradition. It is a brief service of about 45 min., predominantly sung by a choir. The service includes sung prayer, scripture reading, sung canticles, & anthems. Please join us next Sun, **Oct. 1**, at 5 p.m. as we welcome Schola Cantorum of the Diocese of East Carolina. You won't want to miss this beautiful service.

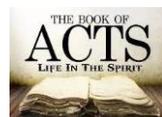
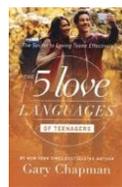
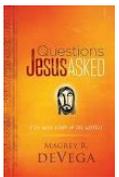
**The Flourishing & Fruitful Life Group** begins a conversational study of Acts, Wed, **Oct. 4**, at 9 a.m.. in Bldg. 3 youth rooms. Register on the website or contact Bren Feutz.

**Church-wide Sub & Ice Cream Social!** Wed., **Oct. 4**, at 6:00 pm. SUMC will provide subs and ice cream. Bring any side you'd like. This will be a time of fellowship & information. Come, eat, and celebrate the opportunities ahead for our church!

**“Destinations” Book Study** facilitated by Jim Brewster  
**Current Book:** Elie Wiesel, “Gates of the Forest”  
**When:** Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 pm. Bldg 2, rm 31. Starts **Oct. 19**  
**Where:** SUMC Bldg. 2, room 31; in-person and via Zoom.  
**For info or to register:** email: [Jamesbrew1976@gmail.com](mailto:Jamesbrew1976@gmail.com)

**Volunteers needed** to assist with meals for our youth – UM Kids, Confirmants, and MYF meet on Sun. at 4:30 p.m. for class. Then, we share a meal together from 6:00-6:30 p.m. We need volunteers to help cook & serve simple fellowship meals to the kids. Email Pastor Regina to sign up for this vital ministry. [PastorReina@swansboroumc.org](mailto:PastorReina@swansboroumc.org)

**SUMC Youth and Yellow Tang Adult Sunday School**  
Class are partnering with Onslow Community Outreach, (OCO), providing hope to families & individuals through packing food for those in need. Sun., **Oct. 15**, 3 pm-6 pm. Car Caravan will depart SUMC at 2:30 pm



## WEEKLY EVENTS

### (Recurring Events)

#### SUNDAY

Daymark Worship, 8:25 am

Sunday School, 9:40 am

Beacon Worship, 10:30 am

#### MONDAY

Rise & Shine Group, 8:30 am

Scouts, 6:30 pm

#### WEDNESDAY

Girl Scouts, 5:30 pm

#### THURSDAY

Sea Scouts, 6:00 pm

## Regular Monthly Events

### United Women in Faith

For info: Melissa Bolling (910) 382-4546

#### Morning circle

- Dixie Moore/Mary Smith  
10:30 am 2nd Wed

#### Afternoon circle

- Creekside (Weeks/Hurst)  
5:30 pm 2nd Sunday
- Hazel Midgett/Mattie Tolson  
4:00 pm 2nd Wed

#### Evening Circles

- Charlotte Fields/Minnie Jones  
7:00 pm 2nd Wed
- Lula Hatsell/Mary Underseth  
7:00 pm 2nd Wed

If your group is missing from the list of events, please contact Kathy at [adminassistant@swansboroumc.org](mailto:adminassistant@swansboroumc.org)

9/24/23 In-Person Attendance - 8:25: 139 10:30: 148  
Online engagement - 8:25 80 10:30: 34

	2023 August	2023 Y-T-D
Contributions to Church Operating Budget	\$ 52,301	\$ 586,519
Less Church Operating Expenses	<u>79,008</u>	<u>535,239</u>
<b>Net Church Operating(Deficit) Income</b>	<b>\$ ( 26,707)</b>	<b>\$ 51,279</b>
Building Contributions	\$ 6,436	\$ 84,614
Less Building Debt Payments	<u>(19,326)</u>	<u>(154,604)</u>
<b>Building Deficit absorbed by Church Budget</b>	<b>\$ ( 12,889)</b>	<b>\$ (69,990)</b>
<b>Net Total Deficit</b>	<b>\$ (39,596)</b>	<b>\$ (18,710)</b>
<b>Balance Owed on Building Loan</b>		<b>\$ 1,014,538</b>

# WELCOME



Swansboro United Methodist Church – October 1, 2023

## ABOUT US

Our community of faith includes people from all ages, backgrounds and walks of life. We come from Swansboro and many of the neighboring towns and coastal areas, with friends traveling from the far northern parts of the Crystal Coast all the way to Jacksonville and beyond. We welcome families with children and invite you to come and discover our outstanding children and youth ministries.

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World.**

We are committed to making disciples who make disciples. We believe that every believer is gifted, called, and has a unique purpose in God's kingdom. Our mission is to make disciples by inviting and equipping every believer to embody at least four marks of discipleship: **worship, connect, serve, and give.**

## FIND US

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## CONTACT US

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Church Office Hours  
Monday - Thursday  
9 am - 2 pm