# **Announcements**

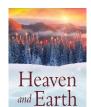


## Swansboro Community Nativity Festival, hosted by SUMC

Dec. 2 - Indoor nativity display, Bldg.1 Fellowship Hall 1-4 pm & 5-7 pm.

Dec. 2 - Live Nativity with animals on the front lawn, 4:00-5:00 pm.

Dec. 3 – Indoor Nativity Display, Bldg. 1, 9:00 am-1:00 pm.



<u>Advent Sermon Series</u> – *Heaven and Earth*. This four-week sermon series begins the first Sunday of Advent, <u>Dec. 3</u>. <u>Week 1</u>: <u>Meanwhile</u>, <u>Week 2</u>: <u>Surprised</u>, <u>Week 3</u>: <u>Light</u>, and <u>Week 4</u>: <u>Rejoice</u>.

Advent Study - Heaven and Earth.by Will Willimon. There will be 2 study group offerings weekly beginning Monday, November 27 at 1030 a.m. and Tuesday, November 28 at 6:30 p.m., ending on Dec. 18/19. Room 33 in Bldg. 2.

# This Week at a Glance

**Sun.** 11/26 - UMC Student Sunday – special offering envelope available.

- Angel Tree bells on the tree in Narthex

Mon. 11/27 - Advent Study (morning group) 10:30 am. Bldg. 2, Room 33

Adult Choir 6:30 - 8:00 pm - Choir Room

Tues. 11/28 - Advent Study (evening group) 6:30 pm. Bldg 2, Room 33

Loving Your Teenager Well 7:00-8:00 pm, Fahy's home.

Wed. 11/29 - Flourishing & Fruitful 9:00 am, Bldg. 3 youth rooms

- Stewardship Meeting Bldg. 1 Library, 5:30-7:00 pm.

Thurs. 11/30 -

Fri. 12/1 - 'Sanctuary' Worship canceled (Nativity Festival set-up)

Sat. 12/2 - Nativity Festival

Sun. 12/3 - Nativity Festival

# Serve

<u>Volunteer! Help prepare and serve fellowship meals</u> to our children and youth on Sunday evenings. They meet at 4:30 pm. for class, then share a meal together from 6-6:30 p.m. Call or email Pastor Regina to sign up for this vital ministry.

<u>Food Pantry Team</u> – Help needed for stocking up on basic items: canned meat, chicken broth, peanut butter & jelly, pasta & pasta sauce, canned fruit & veggies, cereal, rice, mac & cheese, and boxed potatoes.

<u>The HEM of His Garment thrift store needs volunteers</u>: cashiers & and baggers in the retail store, and workers & and sorters in the donation department. Flexible hours are available, Monday-Saturday. Call Lynn Meyer at 252-626-1040 for more information.

# Upcoming Events

<u>Today, Nov. 26, is UMC Student Sunday</u> – This is a churchwide special Sunday of the United Methodist Church. A special offering envelope will be available. Your gift enriches ministry and connects students to their faith. Your donations help provide over 70 scholarships for UMC students.

<u>Season of Saints</u> – Today, we conclude this series on the saints. There are paper bells available in the narthex for you to write the names of loved ones who have passed. Please leave your bell in the basket to be hung in the sanctuary.

<u>Angel Tree</u> – Help bless a child in need. Take a card from the tree in the Narthex and purchase the listed item. Take your gift to the Hem at 724 W. Corbett by <u>Dec. 8</u>. This is sponsored by the SUMC Missions Team.

<u>Join the Emmaus Class for Advent!</u> We have also chosen *Heaven & Earth* by Bishop Will Willimon. When God came to Earth, He changed everything! Share in the discussion of the life-transforming Good News! Begins **Nov. 26**. During Sunday school hour, meet in Bldg. 2, Emmaus classroom. Books are available from Amazon.

"<u>Destinations</u>" <u>Book Study</u> – The next class meets on <u>Jan. 11</u>, 6:30-8:00 pm.

Book: "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel

Where - SUMC Bldg. 2, Room 31; in-person and via Zoom. Facilitator - Jim Brewster, Email: Jamesbrew1976@gmail.com

<u>Advent Wreath Dinner</u> – <u>Dec. 3</u>, 4:30-6:30. We'll make wreaths together, followed by fellowship and a spaghetti dinner.

# **Recurring Weekly Meetings**

#### SUNDAY

Daymark Worship, 8:25 am Sunday School, 9:40 am Beacon Worship, 10:30 am UM Kids, youth, 4:30 pm

#### **MONDAY**

Rise & Shine Group, 8:30 am Cub Scouts, 5:00 & 6:00 pm Boy Scouts, 6:30 pm

#### **TUESDAY**

AA Early Birds, 6:00 pm Al-Anon, 8:00 pm

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Girl Scouts, 5:30 & 6:00 pm

#### **THURSDAY**

Sea Scouts, 6:00 pm

#### **MONDAY - FRIDAY**

AA groups, 8:00 pm

**Monthly Meetings -** United Women in Faith For info: Melissa Bolling (910) 382-4546

## Morning circle

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

#### Afternoon circles

- 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

11/19/23 In-Person Attendance - 8:25 127 10:30: 138 Online engagement - 8:25 43 10:30: 26

	2023 October			2023 Y-T-D	
Contributions to Church Operating Budget	\$	60,072	\$	735,661	
Less Church Operating Expenses		74,848_		670,476	
Net Church Operating(Deficit)/ Income	\$	(14,776)	\$	65,185	
Building Contributions	\$	31,732	\$	148,619	
Less Building Debt Payments		(44,326)		(218,255)	
<b>Building</b> Deficit absorbed by Church Budget	\$	(12,594)	\$	(69,637)	
Net Total Deficit	\$	(27,369)	\$	(4,451)	
Balance Owed on Building Loan \$ 947,723.93					

# WELCOME



Swansboro United Methodist Church – November 26, 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.

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