

Announcements



The SUMC office will be closed Christmas week.
(Mon. 12/25 – Thurs. 12/28) Regular office hours, (9-2) will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Year-end Giving – Contributions received in the church office, (or mailbox outside the office), by Dec. 31, 2023, will be reflected on 2023 contribution statements. (Your 2023 statement will be mailed by Jan. 31.)

Christmas Eve Offerings - All undesignated offering gifts at the Christmas Eve services tonight, will go to ZOE Empowers. In 2024, Swansboro UMC is hoping to sponsor two groups of 60-100 orphaned youth – to help empower them through a three-year, locally-led program, where they receive micro-grants, life skills, and vocational training to become secure, healthy, and connected community members.

This Week at a Glance

- Sun. 12/24 - Christmas Eve Services - 3 pm, 5pm, 7pm
- Mon. 12/25 - Christmas Day
- Tues. 12/26 - SUMC office is closed for the holiday.
- Wed. 12/27 - SUMC Office is closed for the holiday.
- Thurs. 12/28 - SUMC office is closed for the holiday
- Fri. 12/29 - Sanctuary Worship – 7 pm, Bldg. 1 Fellowship Hall
- Sun. 12/31 - New Year's Eve Covenant Service - 8:25 & 10:30 am
- Mon. 1/1 - New Year's Day
- Tues. 1/2 - SUMC Office resumes regular hours, 9 am -2 pm
- Wed. 1/3 - Flourishing & Fruitful, new study begins 9 am – 10 am
- Sun. 1/7 - Epiphany Sunday

Serve

Food Pantry Team – We are very low on basic items: canned meat, chicken broth, peanut butter & jelly, pasta & pasta sauce, canned fruit & veggies, cereal, rice, mac & cheese, boxed potatoes, and cereal.

Youth Meals – Help prepare and serve dinner to our youth on a Sunday evening. They meet for class at 4:30 pm, then share a meal from 6-6:30. We need volunteers for February, March, and April. Call or email Pastor Regina for more info.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Eve Services – Sunday, **Dec. 24**
Children's Spontaneous Christmas Pageant, **3:00 pm**, Bldg. 2 Sanctuary
Beacon Service, **5:00 pm**, Bldg. 3– contemporary with candlelight & communion
Traditional Service, **7:00 pm**, Bldg. 2 Sanctuary – with candlelight & communion

New Year's Eve Covenant Service – Dec. 31, 8:25 am & 10:30 am

2024 - Happy New Year

Flourishing & Fruitful – New 12-session study begins **Wed, Jan. 3**, “Twelve Women of the Bible”. We'll explore teachings from Lysa Terkeurst and 5 other women. Discover new insights that will leave you challenged, encouraged, and deeply valued. Meets 9 -10 am in Bldg. 3 youth classrooms. A few books are still available. Text or call Bren Feutz at 910-546-9038.

Red Cross Blood Drive – **Thurs, Jan. 4, 2024, 10 am – 3 pm**. Register at RedCrossBlood.org, Enter: SUMC03 to schedule an appointment.

Epiphany Sunday – **Jan. 7, 2024, 8:25 am & 10:30 am**

“Destinations” Book Study – The next class meets on **Jan. 11, 6:30-8:00 pm**.
Book: “Life of Pi” by Yann Martel **Where** - Bldg. 2, Room 31; in-person & via Zoom.
Facilitator - Jim Brewster, Email: Jamesbrew1976@gmail.com

Youth Ski Trip – January 18-21, 2024

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 Underseith**
 7:00 pm 2nd Wed

12/17/23 In-Person Attendance - 8:25- 137 10:30- 89 3 pm Cantata - 73
 Online engagement - 8:25 10:30

	2023 November	2023 Y-T-D
Contributions to Church Operating Budget	\$ 91,868	\$ 827,529
Less Church Operating Expenses	(81,045)	(751,521)
Net Church Operating Income	\$ 10,823	\$ 76,008
Building Contributions	\$ 18,248	\$ 166,887
Less Building Debt Payments	(22,890)	(241,145)
Building Deficit absorbed by Church Budget	\$ (4,641)	\$ (74,258)
Net Total income	\$ 6,181	\$ 1,750
Balance Owed on Building Loan	\$	930,893

WELCOME



Swansboro United Methodist Church – December 24, 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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