Announcements

Rev. Randy Innes will give the message at the first mid-week service during Lent. As a special treat, several founding members of Still Waters band will come together again for this one service to share their inspiring music. Join us at noon as we continue our Lenten journey toward Easter.

Join us during Lent for a new series on The Seven Deadly Sins as we seek to name vices in our lives, confess our sins, do battle with the principalities and powers of evil, and reflect deeply on the virtues and holy habits that can lead us toward a new life and an empty tomb. We will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14, at 7 pm with a message on "Pride". Don't miss this Lenten Journey as we travel through the wilderness of our brokenness to embrace anew the forgiveness and heart transformation that leads to Easter life and hope. Come and Bring a Friend!

SwanKids - It's an exciting time for Children in our congregation.

Wiggler's Worship is now known as SwanKids and expanding to include 3-yr-olds through school-aged children who are not yet ready to sit through a sermon. Check-in will be in the Narthex for both services for Nursery and Children. Our team will escort all our SwanKids children downstairs before the sermon begins.



<u>Altar Flowers</u> - If you would like to have flowers placed on the altar in memory or celebration of a loved one, please fill out the flower request form in the Narthex and submit it with payment (\$150) to the church office.

This Week at a Glance

Sun. 2/18 - Seven Deadly Sins sermon series - Envy

Mon. 2/19 - Adult Choir practice, 6:30-8:00 pm – Choir Room

- Wed. 2/21 Flourishing & Fruitful life group, 9:00-10:00 am
 - Lent service, 12 pm, Bldg. 2 Sanctuary, Rev. Randy Innes
 - Lunch after service, 12:30 pm, Bldg. 3
 - Worship Committee meeting, 5:00 pm, Bldg. 1 Fellowship Hall
 - Saving Grace Study group, 6:30 pm

Sun. 2/25 - Seven Deadly Sins sermon series continues.

Serve

<u>Food Pantry Team</u> - This week's pantry needs: peanut butter & jelly, pasta & sauce, canned fruit, mac & cheese, boxed potatoes, and cereal.

Manna Mission Volunteer opportunities at the Onslow Community Outreach. We are looking for volunteers to help pack boxes for North Carolina's Healthy Opportunities Program (HOP) Mon-Fri. Email Carolyn at <u>camdahl@ec.rr.com</u>

<u>Calling All Cooks!</u> Volunteers needed to cook, deliver, and serve a meal for 50 people. Sun. April 7, 6:00 pm at Onslow Community Homeless Shelter. Registration is open on the SUMC website.

<u>Rise Against Hunger</u> - volunteer for the family-friendly meal packaging event on March 16. Register on SUMC website or use the link in the Scoop.

Upcoming Events

<u>Sanctuary Worship</u> - After careful prayer, it's been decided to limit the Friday Night Sanctuary Worship gatherings to the **first Friday of every month**, led by Contemporary Music Leader, Bryan Hoff. Join us 7-8:30 pm, Bldg. 1 Fellowship Hall

Lenten Mid-week Services - 12 pm, Bldg. 2 (light lunch to follow in Bldg. 3) Feb. 21 - Rev. Randy Innes, Feb. 28 - Rev. George Speake, March 6 - Rev.Jim Brewster, March 13 - Rev.Tyler Hopkins, March 20-Rev.Gregg McGarvey

Youth Beach Retreat - March 1 - March 3. The deadline to register is Feb. 28.

Hope in Him: Spreading the Love - March 9, 9:30 am-2:30 pm at Pine Valley UMC. Open to all seeking to know God. Presenter Jill Jarrell-Newsome. Be inspired by Jill's testimony of the love of Jesus in her struggles in life. Register with the link in the Scoop. The \$35 fee includes lunch. Sponsored by United Women of Faith.

Palm Sunday - One Combined Service - March 24, 10:30 am. Bldg. 2 Sanctuary. Covered Dish will follow in Bldg. 3.

The Easter Story & Egg Hunt - Palm Sunday - March 24, 1:00 pm. on the lawn.

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

2 /11/24	In-Person Attendance -	8:25 - 136
	Online engagement -	8:25 - 67

10:30 - 155 **10:30 -** 46

	2023			2024 January	
Contributions to Church Operating Budget	\$	930,669	\$	80,619	
Less Church Operating Expenses		(805,954 <u>)</u>		<u>(75,475)</u>	
Net Church Operating Income	\$	124,715	\$	5,144	
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Building Contributions	\$	231,215	\$	20,096	
Less Building Debt Payments		<u> 260,470)</u>		<u>(19,326)</u>	
Building Deficit Surplus/(Absorbed by) Church Budget	\$	(29,256)	\$	770	
Net Total Income	\$	<u>95,459</u>	\$	<u>5,914</u>	
Balance Owed on Building Loan			\$	896,917	

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 <u> - Creekside (Weeks/</u>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

WELCOME



Swansboro United Methodist Church – February 18, 2024

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 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.**



CONTACT US

910-326-4822 Church Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9 am - 2 pm