

Announcements

🌱 Ready to Thrive? 🌱

Join the Cup of Grace Sunday School class beginning Sunday, August 16th for *Thrive* by Jen Cowart. Through the Book of James, we'll discover practical ways to grow in faith, persevere through life's challenges, and thrive in Christ. Everyone is welcome—we'd love for you to join us!

Artists Wanted for Our Exodus Worship Series

This fall, we're inviting artists of all ages and experience levels to help bring our Exodus worship series to life. Choose a scripture that inspires you and submit your artwork to Alysia at abarh@swansboroumc.org or drop it off at the church office (Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.). Optional artist statements are welcome. See more information and sign up with the QR code.



📖 New Book Study: *Toxic Charity*

Wednesdays • September 9, 16, 23 & 30 • 6:00 PM

Join us for a four-week study of *Toxic Charity* by Robert D. Lupton as we explore a biblical approach to serving others with compassion, dignity, and lasting impact. Whether you're active in missions or simply want to deepen your understanding of faithful service, this study is for you. Use the QR code or contact Alysia in the church office to sign up.



☀️ BRING CHRIST'S CARE TO HURTING PEOPLE ☀️

Become a Stephen Minister!

📅 Training Begins: October 4

🕒 Sundays at 2:00 PM

Learn more and how you can serve by visiting: swansboroumc.org/stephen-ministry
Applications are available online.

🩸 Blood Drive – Help Save a Life!

Join us for our upcoming Blood Drive on:

📅 Tuesday, August 25 🕒 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 📍 Building 3

Every pint donated can help save multiple lives. Whether you're a first-time donor or a regular giver, your generosity makes an incredible impact.

📱 Scan the QR code below to reserve your donation time today!



SAM BOAT CRUISE 🚤

Tuesday, August 25 | 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Join us for a scenic ferry ride from Hammocks Beach State Park, with a park ranger sharing the history of our local waters and islands.

\$5 ages 62+ | \$10 under 62

♿ Handicap accessible — Everyone is welcome!

Sign up today, scan the QR code, or contact Alysia in the church office.



🐭 CHURCH MOUSE PROGRAM

College Students: Want to receive prayers, encouragement, cards, and small care packages from a secret Church Mouse during the school year? Sign up by September 4 using the link provided. No response required!



Church Mouse Volunteers Needed: Pray for and encourage a SUMC college student through cards, notes, and occasional care packages from September–April. Sign up by September 7 using the link provided.



Questions? Contact Chris Wilson at dstumpwilson@hotmail.com or 910-358-3972.

🎵 Grow in Faith Through Music!

Beginning Sunday, September 13, we're excited to launch two new music opportunities for children and youth! Youth Choir (Grades 3–8) will rehearse in Building 1 (Choir Room), and Youth Worship Band (Grades 9–12) will meet in Building 3. Both groups will meet from 4:00–4:30 PM, followed by UMC Kids and Youth Group from 4:30–6:30 PM. No auditions are required.

For more information, contact music@swansboroumc.org (Youth Choir) or bhoff@swansboroumc.org (Youth Worship Band).

🎵 Crystal Coast Choral Society is Back! 🎵

Celebrate the Society's 40th season!

🎵 No audition required—new singers are welcome!

Back to Singing Picnic, Tuesday, August 25, 5:00–7:00 PM

Swansboro Parks & Recreation Center

Rehearsals Begin Tuesday, September 8, 7:00–9:00 PM

Swansboro United Methodist Church

🌐 Scan the QR code or visit crystalcoastchoralsociety.org for details and to RSVP.



This Week at a Glance

- Mon. 8/17 - Rise & Shine Group, 8:30 am, via Zoom
- Tues. 8/18 - Board of Stewards Meeting, 7 pm, Bldg 2, Rm 33
- Wed. 8/19 - Mid-week Communion, 12 pm, Bldg 1, Fellowship Hall
- Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30 pm, Bldg 1, Fellowship Hall
- Thur. 8/20 - Men's Bible Study, 7 am, Compass Grill, Cedar Point
- Praise Band Practice, 6 pm, Bldg 3

Opportunities to Serve

Food Pantry Needs

Thank you for your generosity! Please bring only REGULAR-SIZED cans.

Canned soup

Canned corn

Canned chicken & tuna

Recurring Weekly Events

SUNDAY

Daymark Worship, 8:25 am
 Sunday School, 9:40 am
 Beacon Worship, 10:30 am
 UM Kids, Youth, & Young
 Adult/Parents Group 4:30 pm

MONDAY

Rise & Shine Group, 8:30 am
 ACA, 5:30 pm

TUESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 pm
 Al-Anon, 8:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Recovery on the Road,
 4th Wed. of the month, 1:00 pm

THURSDAY

Sea Scouts, 6:00 pm

MONDAY – FRIDAY

AA Early Birds, 6:00 pm
 AA groups, 8:00 pm

Kids Sunday School

Nursery 0-2 yr. - Bldg. 3, Rm 140
 3 yr. old – 6th gr. - Bldg. 1, Rm 13
 7th-12th gr. – Bldg. 3, Youth Room

Monthly Events

Wonder Widows

- 12:00 pm 1st Saturday

United Women in Faith

For info: Melissa Bolling (910) 382-4546

Morning circle

- **Dixie Moore/Mary Smith**

10:30 am 2nd Wed

- **Creekside (Weeks/Hurst)**

11:30 am 2nd Sunday

Afternoon circles

- **Hazel Midgett/Mattie Tolson**

4:00 pm 2nd Wed

Evening Circles

- **Charlotte Fields/Minnie Jones**

6:00 pm 2nd Wed

- **Lula Hatsell/Mary Underseeth**

7:00 pm 2nd Wed

Sun. 8/9/26

In-Person Attendance – 8:30 - 154 10:30 - 142

Adult Sunday school

Emmaus class – Bldg. 2, room 34

Joy class – Bldg. 2, room 37

Logos class – Bldg. 2, room 33

Yellow tangs class – Bldg. 2, room 38

A Cup of Grace – Bldg 2, room 31

	2026 July	2026 Year-to-Date
Contributions to Church Operating Budget	\$ 62,186	\$ 460,839
Contribution from Childcare		\$ 50,000
Less Church Operating Expenses	(71,900)	(540,366)
Net Church Operating (Deficit)	\$ (9,713)	\$ (29,527)
Building Contributions	\$ 6,741	\$ 49,970
Less Building Debt Payments	(19,326)	(115,953)
Building (Deficit)	\$ (12,585)	\$ (65,983)
Net Total (Income/Deficit)	\$ (22,298)	\$ (95,509)

Balance Owed on Building Loan		\$ 328,534
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WELCOME



Swansboro United Methodist Church – August 16, 2026

ABOUT US

Our community of faith includes people of 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 explore our outstanding children's and youth ministries.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World.

We are committed to making disciples who, in turn, 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.**

FIND US

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SwansboroUMC.org



CONTACT US

910-326-4822

Church Office Hours
 Monday - Thursday
 9 am - 2 pm