



God's
Sanctuary
by the
Sea

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Seaside Currents

Losing our Luggage

by Scott Wilson-Parsons, Co-Pastor



I used to laugh at my grandfather when he would fly down to see us. He would wrap big red strips of duct tape around his suitcase. He said it would help him identify it when he got to baggage claim. I never understood his paranoia about losing his luggage—at least not until we lost ours. Losing your luggage can be one of life's most annoying experiences.

Still, as we begin this new year, we need to lose our fear of losing our luggage. In fact, I would go so far as to suggest that all of us here, have one or two pieces of baggage that we've kept up with far too long and it's high time to let go.

Most of us are more bogged down with baggage than we even realize or care to admit. How many extra pounds of grudges are you packing today? How many handbags full of animosity? How many "carry-on's" of resentment? How many big suitcases crammed full of revenge?

Now is the time to lose that luggage. I say now, this because many of us feel compelled to make New Year's resolutions that we optimistically carry with us into the new year. But few of us stop to consider the load that we already have packed and ready to go. So, let's lose that baggage.

In Colossians 3, Paul urges the Colossians to so thoroughly live in Christ, that they can finally "put to death" old attitudes and agendas. He then offers us specific ways that they can achieve that goal. They are to "clothe" themselves with "compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience."

Finally, we are to "forgive" each other; just as Christ has forgiven us. Forgiveness is not presented as an option, request, or suggestion here. Forgiveness isn't something that Christians should extend to one another just because it's a "nice" thing to do. Paul doesn't suggest it because forgiving each other will make us all "feel" better. Paul makes the connection between divine forgiveness and human acts of forgiveness a bit more explicit than that: "As the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive."

But forgiveness isn't even something that we can truly "offer" one another on our own. We have the capacity to forgive only because God has first forgiven us. Furthermore, without first experiencing God's forgiveness in our lives, we have nothing to offer anyone else. Any act of forgiveness we have become capable of extending or expressing to one another is directly related to God's forgiveness of us and our acceptance of that forgiveness. And by forgiving others, we offer the truest Christian form of worship to our God.

But lest we get confused, forgiveness is not forgetting; rather it is choosing not to actively remember. Forgetting can mean behaving as if the injury never occurred; pretending that it never happened. There are many things that we remember, but which are not always in the front of our mind.

Neither is forgiveness saying to the other party: "You're Okay." Instead, it is saying, "I'm okay, and I am willing to let God deal with whether you're okay. And if you're not, I'm willing to let God deal with making you okay."

Forgiveness is not saying: "I don't feel the pain anymore." Rather, it is saying, "I do not feel the need to hold on to your involvement in my pain anymore." At some point after a serious injury (true of both physical and emotional injuries) we must let go of the immediate cause of the damage, and get on with healing and rehabilitation.

Forgiveness is turning to our forgiving God in worship and praise and offering ourselves and all our loathsome baggage to God. It is God who forgives, and as we worship God, it is the divine forgiveness that flows through us and fills us with a forgiving spirit. We must depend upon God to take our baggage and send it to a destination where it will never find us again.

Each member when joining the church is asked "Will you support SUMC with your prayers, presence, gifts and service?" We celebrate our ministries and events in this issue of the Seaside Currents.

Many of our members and friends remain on the prayer list for a longer time as they cope with health and personal issues. These names are printed monthly in our newsletter. The list of new names printed in the Sunday bulletin will be updated each month. Please provide the office with an update of both prayer lists. Please remember each in your daily prayers

O radiant God, in the midst of tribulation, suffering, crippled hope and shattered dreams, stand by these Your servants until they are well once more.

Members:

Bill & Ginnie Barb
Lomie Lou Bazemore & family
Mark Benton
Phyllis Billingsley
Art & Barbara Bowden
Bruce & Linda Bowden
Ann Bowman
Frances Broome & mother
Frances Rogers
Thack Brown
Mary Lee Bruton & family
Sandy Casciato
Kemp Causey
Anne & Ken Doern

Pearl Frink & family
Karen Gaddy
Don Haigler
Crystal & Tabitha Huggett
MaryRuth Ingersoll
Gil & Kathy Johnson
Henry & Margaret Jones
Sandy Kertcher
Aedan Klein
Edith & Jim Linke
Ralph McCleman
Dottie McVaugh
Bill Morrow
Shirley Owen
Dale & Joan Powell

Prayer Warriors
Betty & Clifford Pursey
Met & Dave Schroll
Seaside UMC Staff
Susan & Ed Seidel
Dot Sellers
Wayne & Lynn Shoemaker
John & Midge Sparks
Stephen Ministers
Stephen Leader Traning
John Torlone
John & Clair Winship

Friends:

Aasron
Tony & Sandy Albatiell & fam.
Jeannie Beaner
Paula Beck
Dorothy Bennett
Jordan Blair
James Blankenship
Jim & Jackie Bowen
Sam Brick
Robert Brownlow Jr
Linda & Bill Chambers
Patti Colombo
Chris Cribb
Mackenzie Davis
Don Davis
Will Davis
Dodge family
Dorothy
Scott Dufford
Bishop Marion Edwards
Carl Gano
Jackie Gano
Glenn
Kelly Godin & family

Graham family
Ken Hartman
Kathy Hicks
Lisa Housare
William Housare
Terry Ikner
Nancy Irwin
Billy Jenkins
Ashley King
Maxine King
Alia Grace Lucas
Alston Macon
Maria Marsha Masten
Mazaher family
Mr Middleton
Vivian Myers
Melinda Norris
Ocean View Baptist Church
Kimberly O'Dwyer
Nick Patrick
Marilyn Perry
Rose Phelps
Charles Phillips
Paula Pontreloi
Lee Powell
Brenda Quackenbush & family
Marilyn Riordan

Donna Rudell
Patti Scholl
Donna Smith
Phillip Stavonovic
Jan Sutton
Jacqueline Terrintino
Butch Thomas
Lois & Robert Tomlin
Polly Troutman
Village Point UMC
Ernest & Patsy Ward
Roger Wood
Clayton Williamson
Brian Willis
Ronald & Lois Wray
Camille Yorkey
Sue Young
All friends & family of the unchurched
All those unemployed
All victims of violence
All victims of Fort Hood shooting
Our nation

Serving Our Country:

Greg Cox
Ian Gerdes
Capt Greg Jenkins
Simone Kamil
Matthew King
Michael King
Mark Miller

Aaron Pait
John Reider
John Rogan
Garrick Shelton
Adam Steelman
Jordan Thaymes
Christopher Verost



Worship Attendance

	8:00	9:30	11:00
December 6	141	257	161
December 13	148	221	128
December 20	127	183	150
December 24	5:30 PM—494		
December 27	72	127	100



Lectionary Bible Readings

February 7

Isaiah 6: 1-13
 Psalm 51: 1-17
 2 Corinthians 5:20b; 6:10
 Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21



Memorials & Honoraria

In Memory of Walter Dodge

Given by:

Sherry Oenbrink
 Joy Boyer
 Dona & E. Thomas Lee
 Connie Milliken
 Virginia Loester

In Memory of W. Carl Bazemore

Given by:

Wm & Velinda Brantley
 Dr. David & Kathy Troxler
 Miriam L. Marks
 Dr & Mrs D. W Davis
 Cherrie & Everett Hanna

In Memory of Jim Thomasson

Given by:

Scarlette Robertson

In Memory of Patricia Napolitano

Given by:

Kris, Nicolas & Anthony Napolitano
 Winnie Napolitano
 Lois Cardone

In Memory of Neil Louis Napolitano

Given By:

Winnie Napolitano
 Lois Cardone

In Memory of the Cline family:

William Henry
Adele Jean
Kenneth
Ronald
Dennis
Patricia
John Bilawsky

Given by:

Winnie Napolitano
 Lois Cardone

In Honor of Mr & Mrs Daryl Forsythe

Given by:

Roger & Sharon Terry

In Honor of Kay & Bob Arace

Given by:

Jackie & Richard Ness

Sunday School Attendance

December 6	77
December 13	54
December 20	55
December 27	35

February 14

Exodus 34: 29-35
 Psalm 99
 2 Corinthians 3: 12; 4:2
 Luke 9: 28-36

February 21

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11
 Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16
 Romans 10: 8b-13
 Luke 4: 1-13

February 28

Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18
 Psalm 27
 Philippians 3: 17; 4:1
 Luke 13: 31-35

CURRENTS UPDATE

Deadline for January Issue—
 December 10

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Send articles to:

Jack DeGroot
 bjand3@atmc.net

Please include your name and
 telephone number, in case there
 are questions.

WE'VE GOT A NEW LOOK ON THE WEB

AT

www.seasideunitedmethodistchurch.org



United Methodist Men

February 1, 2010
 6:30 PM

Dinner followed by a program and
 short business meeting. Come out
 and enjoy the food, fellowship, and
 inspiration.

Welcome New Members

Carol Sloper unites by transfer from St
 Luke's UMC in Falls Church, VA

Gene & Rebecca Steadman unite by
 transfer from Washington Farm UMC,
 Alexandria, VA.

Ralph & Alice Eckley unite by transfer
 from Potomac Crest Baptist Church,
 Woodbridge, VA

Bill Graves unites as an Associate
 member

Baptism

Diamond Mahoney was presented by
 her grandmother, Dorothy Mahoney for
 baptism on Sunday December 27, 2009.



M & M Circle

The M&M Circle met November 13th, 2009 with 10 members and three guests present. Our program about the history of our group was presented by Catherine Farrington, Freddy Tatum, and Geri Piazza. We enjoyed sharing the information and looking at photographs. We collected supplies for teachers at Shallotte Middle School. We also discussed a new phenomenon in our church family—new babies! Co-chairs Ginny Coats and Sherry Blalock delivered one baby shawl before Christmas and have two more scheduled to be delivered soon

Prayer Shawl Ministry

On Monday, January 4th, 20 women gathered for our first meeting of 2010. At this meeting a throw, put together by Geri Piazza, with squares made by the women from their leftover yarn, was given to Met Schroll. Following our meeting, we had a social time to visit with Met and thank her for all she's done and to wish her and Dave Godspeed as they move from our area.

In 2009, 76 Prayer Shawls were given. Since this ministry began in March 2006, 325 Prayer Shawls have been given.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 8th at 10AM in the Parlor.

Carol Matthews 575-4267
Freddy Tatum 579-1187



Children's Basketball

The 2010 Brunswick County Youth Church Basketball League got underway on Saturday, January 9th. Our church has the most excited 7—10 year-old team in the league. This is a co-ed league that involves churches throughout Brunswick County. Our team won their first game over Sharon United Methodist Church by a score of 40 to 18.

This year we are playing in the Supply Elementary School gym. All of our games are at either 9AM or at 10AM, the older youth starting at 11AM and playing until about 3PM.

Please come out and support our children. If you have questions, please contact either of the coaches: Harold Blalock or Mike Milliken.

Drug & Herb Interactions

Sheila King AAS, LPN, EMT P
Director of Health and Welfare

Please make sure you are taking your medications safely.

If you take: Antidepressants Effexor (Venlafaxine)

With: Kava or L-tryptophan

This will happen: Extreme drowsiness confusion

If you take: Blood thinners Warfarin (Coumadin)

With: Dong quai, garlic, ginko, ginger or danshen

It may result in: Impaired blood clotting

Also:

(Taking Coenzyme Q10, St John's wort, or ginseng may result in decreased effectiveness of Warfarin (Coumadin)

If you take: Blood Pressure medication: Atenolol (Tenormin)

With: Yohimbe or natural licorice

It may result in: Increased blood pressure

If you take: Cholesterol medication Lipitor (Atorvastatin), Zocor(Simvastatin), or Mevacor (Lovastatin)

With: St. John's Wort (hypericum)

It may result in: Decreased effectiveness of the drugs

If you take: Diabetes medication Glyburide (Diabeta), Metformin(Gluciphage) Insulin

With: Ginseng

It may result in: Low blood sugar levels

If you take: Heart medication Lanoxin(Digoxin)*

With: St John's Wart (hypericum)

It may result in: Decreased absorption of Lanoxin

If you take: Aloe or natural licorice

With: Lanoxin

May result in: decreased potassium levels causing Lanoxin toxicity



*Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him* Matthew 4:10



We are in the season of Epiphany and the choirs are discussing worship and what it means to each of us. What is worship and how do we worship Christ? Are we an active participant or do we expect the Sunday service to make us worshipful? We hope you receive blessings of worship as you listen to the choirs and that the music calls you into worship. Thanks to our many supporters, you mean the world to us!

February brings a close to the Epiphany season and leads us into Lent. Ash Wednesday is Feb. 17th and I hope you will mark your calendars to be at the evening service. We must walk through Lent to get to Easter!

Speaking of Easter, the Adult Choir is working hard on its Easter Cantata, which will be held on Sunday, March 28th at 4:00 and 7:00. Tickets will be available from the office on Feb. 1st. A monetary love offering will be taken at the Cantata to benefit our Food Pantry and Preschool. Thanks to your generous offering at the Christmas Cantata we were able to donate eight barrels of food and \$500 to our Food Pantry and \$733 for a Preschool Scholarship. Thank you!

I have a special concert I would like to highlight in this newsletter:

On March 7th, we will be hosting concert pianist, Jim Hendricks at 4PM. It will be a wonderful concert and I hope you will come and bring your friends. Mark your calendars NOW!

Happy Valentine's Day to each of you! You are all my valentines!

With a voice of singing,
Kathryn



Thank You All!

I want to thank everyone who stopped by the church office with "goodies," baked goods, gifts and Christmas wishes! You are all so wonderful and certainly make working here a real joy! Thanks again and I pray you'll all receive God's perfect peace and amazing blessings in 2010!

Carol Sigafos

Good Job!

In December, our Seaside Pre-School children collected \$156 and purchased 300 boxes of macaroni and cheese for the food pantry. Thank you, thank you from all of the clients who use our food pantry.

Judy Gerdes,
Food Pantry Coordinator

Women's Day by the Sea

Ladies! It's time to start thinking about attending the second annual Women's Day by the Sea. Come listen to the beautiful music of Kelly Gabriele, and be inspired by our speaker Sharon Jaynes. You don't want to miss this!

Saturday, February 27th, 2010. 9:00AM to 2:30PM

Seaside United Methodist Church

For spiritual growth and inspiration

Registration:

\$20 (includes lunch, NO childcare will be provided)

Contact the church office or Lorraine Usher 287-6698, Eleanor Tucker 579-6434, or Harriet Gano 575-2688 for details or a registration form.



**Do You Enjoy Painting
or
Would you like to learn?**

Happy New Year!

We're starting our painting classes again each Wednesday, beginning January 6 from 10 am until 2 pm. Join us for fellowship and painting, we'll learn some basics and have fun together. It doesn't matter what your level or ability is. Geri Piazza will help you get started. Classes are held in the fellowship hall and are "free". Geri will have some supplies on hand to help get you started. If you have questions, call either Geri Piazza at 575-0200 or Bill Poe at 579-8492





Scott & Mary Jane Wilson-Parsons



Where are you originally from?

Scott was born in Louisville, KY where his family lived in a house just across the street from the main gate of Churchill Downs (where the Kentucky Derby is run). When he was little, his family parked cars in the yard during Derby week for extra income. Most of the houses on that street are now parking lots for Churchill Downs. Scott's family moved to the Atlanta area about the time he began elementary school and lived there all the way through

his high school graduation. Mary Jane is from Thomasville, GA, where she lived from birth through her graduation from high school. It was her permanent address until she and Scott married!

Where have you lived the longest over the years?

For Mary Jane, the answer is Thomasville, GA, where she grew up. Since Scott was in Decatur for twelve years, that area wins the prize for Scott. If he had stayed one more year, the answer would be Currituck, NC, where he and Mary Jane pastored just before moving to Sunset Beach.

Tell us a little about your family.

Mary Jane has an older sister, an occupational therapist in Sylva, NC. Her mother died in 1991 at 55. Her father, a retired civil engineer, is remarried and living in Thomasville. Scott has two younger sisters. One is a neonatal intensive care nurse at Children's Hospital of Atlanta. The other is a schoolteacher in Dublin. His father is retired from Taylor Publishing Co., a major publisher of school yearbooks and other specialty publications. His mother was a stay-at-home-mom. Both are still living. They have two boys, Wesley (28), and Thomas (17). Wesley is married to Amanda, a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology. He is a Civil Engineer. They live in Virginia Beach. Thomas is a junior at the North Carolina School of Science and Math (NCSSM).

Where did you attend school/seminary?

Mary Jane and Scott both attended Young Harris College, LaGrange College, and Duke University (A.A., B.A., and M.Div., respectively). They met at Young Harris and married just before graduating from LaGrange.

How long have you and Mary Jane been in the ministry?

Scott since 1981—with the exception of 1985-1987, during which he only attended school, though he did do field education placements each summer. Mary Jane has been involved in ministry since she was a teen in the mid-1970s, starting as a youth leader, playing the piano at a church across town in Thomasville, working at a church camp, serving as a Christian educator, and eventually being appointed to serve as pastor after seminary in 1987.

What made you come to SUMC?

"Well..." says Scott, "that's a bit of a tricky question." United Methodist pastors choose a conference, or regional body where they must apply and be accepted. After eleven years in South Georgia, where Mary Jane was very active throughout her life, Scott and Mary Jane joined the North Carolina Conference. However, pastors don't "pick" where they serve, nor do they apply to one place or another. Every pastor is technically available for deployment to another church every year in June or July, but in practice, they usually aren't asked to move unless a pastor requests a move, the requests a change, or the number of necessary moves exceeds the number of pastors who have requested a move, or for some other special situation.

After eleven years at Pilmoor Memorial UMC in Currituck, Scott's plans were to stay another two years, long enough for Thomas to graduate High School. In mid-February, he got a call asking that he and Mary Jane meet with the bishop. The bishop had a special situation and wondered if Scott and Mary Jane had ever considered working together. They had worked together in Georgia—the first co-pastors in the South Georgia Conference, just before coming to North Carolina in 1998. After much discussion and prayer over whether God was, in fact, calling them to open the door and move, the process of coming to Seaside began. Because co-pastoring is somewhat "non-traditional," Scott and Mary Jane insisted on having open communication with the church leaders and staff prior to finalizing the appointment to ensure that everyone was comfortably on board with the concept. As the contacts progressed, it was clear that this was a place where the co-pastor model could work and everyone gave an enthusiastic go-ahead to the bishop to proceed with the appointment. It also helped their personal situation enormously when Thomas was accepted into NCSSM—which was his dream even had they had remained in Currituck. Since Thomas was to experience a change of school—at his own request—the fact that they were in a new place would have less of an impact on him.

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Interview cont'd.

What's the best part of your job here?

Scott says he likes weekly communion at the 8 AM service, and teaching. He has an open door policy and enjoys folks sticking their head in to say hello or to ask a question or just to chat. He says, "We have a great staff. It's hard to choose."

What are your hobbies and interests outside of SUMC?

Scott is a photographer. He and Mary Jane have a boat that they enjoy on the Intracoastal Waterway. Scott loves to snow ski and tries to get to the slopes at least a couple of days each winter. He is an avid reader, a consummate computer geek, and likes to cook (he made a pancake supper for our kids at their Youth Group meeting one Sunday, and they said he *is* a good cook!). Mary Jane is a crafter and engages in all sorts of crafts (literally...you name it!). Lately most of their spare time has been taken up with finding, buying, and financing a new home. They are to close on a home across the street from Seaside in Sunset Ridge on February 1st. Scott says "The Lord willin' and the creek don't rise..." Move-in will take place over the month of February. They plan to have a house blessing service with the District Superintendent on February 9th.

UMW Calendar of Events

DISTRICT SPIRITUAL DAY, Saturday, February 20th–9:30 registration at Bethlehem UMC, White Oak
WOMEN'S DAY BY THE SEA, Saturday, February 27th, 2010 at 9AM
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, Friday, March 5th, 2010 at 11:00AM at Seaside UMC
SEEKER'S Circle Meeting–2/9 1PM Church Parlor
M&M's Circle Meeting–2/12 10AM Room 210
FIGS Circle Meeting–2/15 7PM Church Parlor
PRAYER SHAWL MEETING–March 8th 10AM Church Parlor
M&M Hosted Unit Meeting–3/16 Program will be centered on Education & Interpretation–details to be announced

Seekers Circle

Seekers Circle will have their next meeting on Tuesday, February 9th, at 1PM in the church parlor. All women of the church are invited to attend. For more information, please call June Donley at 575-5467.

Teddy Bear Ministry

This year we have given 393 bears to agencies that have a connection with children. Thank you to those who have made bears and to those who have donated bears. This ministry relies on many hands.

Methodist Home for Children

Our church will be participating in Methodist Home for Children Sunday to benefit Methodist Home for Children on February 21, 2010. Methodist Home for Children has been building on the social, physical, emotional and spiritual strengths of children, youth, and families, affirming their worth for over 100 years. Please plan to attend and make a difference in the world of one child at a time.

UMW Reading Program Books

While organizing the UMW Reading Program Books located in our new library we discovered several books missing. Please check to see if you have any of the books listed below at home, and if so, notify Sandy De La Cruz (579-7186) so that we may complete our inventory.

- Fifty-two Simple Ways to Make a Difference
- My Time: Make The Most of The Bonus Decades After Fifty
- Amish Grace
- Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckley
- Whither Thou Goest, A Minister's Wife Speaks Out
- 101 Devotionals With Children
- Your Inner Eve: Discovering God's Woman Within
- Answered Prayers
- Leap of Faith
- Holy Stuff of Life
- Inner Healing For Broken Vessels

An invitation is extended to each of you to join the 2010 Reading Program. If you enjoy reading, I encourage you to participate in this year's Reading Program. Please visit our library and review the new list of books for 2010. All you have to do is sign out a book to read in each of the four categories listed on our book list. We have 11 new books this year and I hope you find one or more that interest you.

February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1</p> <p>12 pm Al Anon 5 pm Communications <u>6:30 pm</u> Boy Scouts UMM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am WISP <u>6:30 pm</u> Stephen Ministry Will of God Divorce Care</p>	<p>3</p> <p><u>9 am</u> Disciple Class Grandparents Support 10 am Christian Artists 3 pm Grief Support 4:30 pm Joyful Ringers 5 pm Joyful Noise Choir 6 pm Jubilee Bells 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am Finding Balance 5:30 pm 9:30 Choir <u>6:30 pm</u> 8 & 11 Choirs AA</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 am MOPS 10 am Finding Balance 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p> <p>4 pm UMY 5 pm A Heart Like His</p>	<p>8</p> <p>12 pm Al Anon 6:30 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Trustees</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am Dist Pastor's Meeting 1:30 pm Diabetes Support 6 pm Instrumental Ens. <u>6:30 pm</u> Will of God Divorce Care 7 pm Classical Ens.</p>	<p>10</p> <p><u>9 am</u> Disciple Class Grandparents Support 10 am Christian Artists 3 pm Grief Support 4:30 pm Joyful Ringers 5 pm Joyful Noise Choir 6 pm Jubilee Bells 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am Finding Balance 5:30 pm 9:30 Choir <u>6:30 pm</u> 8 & 11 Choirs AA</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10 am Finding Balance 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>13</p> <p>10:30 am Prayer Warriors</p>
<p>14</p> <p>9 am Blood Pressure Screening 4 pm UMY 5 pm A Heart Like His</p>	<p>15</p> <p>12 pm Al Anon 1 pm Shell Seekers 6:30 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Finance</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am WISP 5:30 pm Shrove-Pancake Sup <u>6:30 pm</u> Fr Genesis to Rev. Divorce Care</p>	<p>17</p> <p><u>9 am</u> Disciple Class Grandparents Support 10 am Christian Artists 3 pm Grief Support 4:30 pm Joyful Ringers 5 pm Joyful Noise Choir 7 pm Ash Wednesday Service</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am Finding Balance 1:30 pm Alzheimer Support 5:30 pm 9:30 Choir <u>6:30 pm</u> 8 & 11 Choirs AA</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10 am Finding Balance 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9 am Death & Resurrection of the Messiah</p>
<p>21</p> <p>4 pm UMY 5 pm A Heart Like His</p>	<p>22</p> <p>12 pm Al Anon 5 pm Pre School Dinner 6:30 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 6 pm Instrumental Ens. <u>6:30 pm</u> Fr Genesis to Rev. Divorce Care Classical Ens.</p>	<p>24</p> <p><u>9 am</u> Disciple Class Grandparents Support 10 am Christian Artists 3 pm Grief Support 4:30 pm Joyful Ringers 5 pm Joyful Noise Choir 6 pm Jubilee Bells 7m Praise Team</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7:30 am & 4 pm Tae Kwon Do 8:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am & 5 pm GED 10 am Finding Balance 5:30 pm 9:30 Choir <u>6:30 pm</u> 8 & 11 Choirs AA</p>	<p>26</p> <p>10 am Finding Balance 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9 am Women's Day by the Sea</p>
<p>28</p> <p>4 pm UMY 5 pm A Heart Like His</p>						



Birthdays and Anniversaries



Feb. 1

Birthdays:

Letha Douglas

Anniversaries:

Bill & Irene Harrison

Donald & Dawn Thompson

Feb. 2

Birthdays:

Jennifer Smith

O'Dell Norman

Anniversaries:

Nick & Hazel Forlidas

Feb. 3

Birthdays:

Durham Bowman

Susan Dearborn

Feb. 4

Birthdays:

Denise Clagett

Anniversaries:

Sky & Carol Bramley

Ches & Julie Burton

Feb. 5

Birthdays:

Stephanie Shytle

Anniversaries:

Don & Ben Walters

Feb. 6

Birthdays:

Jeanne Horton

Feb. 7

Birthdays:

Marcia Warring

Dana Pickup

Paul Wenzler

Jonathan Dusenbury

Feb. 8

Birthdays:

Daniel Snyder

Janet McComb

Nathan Godfrey

Regan Chappell

Feb. 9

Birthdays:

Nancy Thomasson

Anniversaries:

Bill & Dot Wilson

Feb. 10

Birthdays:

Nancy Jack

Barbara Bowden

Regan Marlowe

Feb. 11

Birthdays:

Marlene Meier

Feb. 12

Birthdays:

Juanita English

Danice Stout

Shawn Ferguson

Feb. 13

Birthdays:

Carol Quick

Feb. 14

Birthdays:

James Johnson

Ted Russell

Christopher Difloure

Anniversaries:

Fred & Carol Bachl

Feb. 15

Birthdays:

Pam Ellis

Sandra Welch

Anniversaries:

Jim & Pam Hardie

Feb. 16

Birthdays:

Mickie Fletcher

Jessica McCall

Anniversaries:

Decio & Margie Stone

Feb. 17

Birthdays:

Pam Smith

George Dooley

Kimberly Ann McClernan

Feb. 18

Birthdays:

Harriet Gano

Marie Wilcox

Nancy Poole

Kimberly Wood

Feb. 19

Birthdays:

Margaret McNair

Betsy Pesce

Lynn Henkel

Anniversaries:

Doug & Katherine Hayes

Feb. 21

Birthdays:

Nancy Seibert

Midge Sparks

Kathleen Hahl

Feb. 22

Birthdays:

Jim Story

Heather Edwards

Adrienne Tyson

Feb. 23

Birthdays:

Gerry McCall

Amanda King

Feb. 24

Birthdays:

Bobbie Hurst

Mary Koehn

Joseph Gurreri

John Frink

Cassandra Barwick

Feb. 25

Birthdays:

Diane Middleton

Michael Shytle

Feb. 26

Birthdays:

Jack Zachary

Tim McVaugh

Feb. 27

Birthdays:

Peter Lee

George Matthews, Jr

Feb. 28

Birthdays:

Dallas Bracey

Sharon Terry

Deb Starnes

Terry Frink

Dottie McVaugh

Bible Studies Begin Jan. & Feb.

The first meeting for those who registered for Joan Powell's class, *The Will of God*, will be Tuesday, January 5th, at 6:30PM. Participant books will be \$10. Class will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Dina Braddy's *A Heart like His: The Story of David*, begins Sunday, January 24th at 5PM. Participant books will be \$10. The location will be selected on the first Sunday. If you were unable to attend all the fall classes of this study, you are welcome to drop-in and complete your study.

Sisters class, *Finding Balance*, with Pat Burke begins Thursday, January 21st at 10AM in Room 222. Participant books are \$10.

Pastor Mary Jane will be teaching the same study, *Finding Balance* on Friday, January 22nd at 10AM in Room 222. Books will be \$10.

Mark your calendars now and register for the Men's Breakfast Bible Study with Frank Malkin beginning February 27th and ending the Saturday of Palm Sunday March 27th. This Lenten study is *Death and Resurrection of the Messiah*. Breakfast is at 9AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Don't miss your chance to register and join new teachers Donna and Gene Allen, facilitating Mickey Efir's, *From Genesis to Revelation: A Comprehensive Overview of the Bible*. Class time is Tuesday evening, 6:30 to 8PM.

You are welcome to join Nancy Camino and Yvonne Hundley in Women in Study and Prayer. They meet in the Church Parlor at 10AM the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

SUMC offers three Sunday Bible Study classes. Two classes are at 9:30 and one is at 11:00. Any of these classes will receive you with a "welcome and a smile."

Start this new year off right! Study your Bible and fellowship with your Christian friends.

If you need further information, call Colleen McGregor at 910-575-2563.



UMM Golf Tournament

Each spring the UMM host their annual Golf Tournament as one of their two fund raisers to secure money for their many different ministries. This includes the golfers in our congregation as well as many others in the community. This year I would like to involve those that may not be golfers. We are planning on providing the opportunity for individuals to add funds to the Golf Tournament by contributing money in honor of or in memory of a loved one. This would be a good way to honor a former golfer. For persons who contribute \$50 or more, a sign will be made and displayed at one of the holes on the day of the tournament. All honorees will also be recognized with a special insert in the Church bulletin on the Sunday after the tournament.

Hopefully, many of you will take part in this new element of our golf tournament. Again, this would be a good way to honor a special person(s) in your life. If you have questions or need additional information please call Harold Blalock at 579-6211.

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Upcoming Events

February 16—Shrove Tues. Pancake Supper
5:30 PM

February 17—Ash Wednesday Service
7 PM

February 27—Women's Day By the Sea

March 5—World Day of Prayer
11 AM Service

March 7—Piano Concert
4 PM

March 28—Easter Cantata
4 & 7 PM

*Seaside United Methodist
Proudly Hosts*

*Concert Pianist
Jim Hendricks*

Sunday, March 7

At

4 PM

*Don't miss this wonderful
Christian artist!*



About The Artist!

Pianist Jim Hendricks began intriguing musicians and family members as a child with the uncanny ability to play anything he heard on records and memorize any printed music that came across the piano. While still in grammar school, Jim was able to transcribe by ear complex harmonies and melodies—without the use of a piano. He continued intensive musical study and was considered a professional as a teenager.

After high school, Jim performed with such greats as Dave Brubeck, Della Reese, Jack Jones, Louie Bellson, Clark Terry, Tito Puente, Rita Moreno, Jon Faddis, Arturo Sandoval and many others. He also competed in many international piano competitions and was a featured symphonic orchestra soloist, performing the piano music of Rachmaninoff. By the age of twenty-five, Jim had accepted a professorship in the piano department of Chicago State University.

While on Tour with the Glenn Miller Orchestra, Jim realized that he was not using his talents for God's glory. Already being a dedicated Christian for many years, Jim knew it was time to leave the secular music world and follow God's calling into Christian ministry.

Since then, Jim has performed over 1,000 Christian piano concerts in Churches all across the land, including three appearances at the Crystal Cathedral. He has made ten piano records, performed on ABC, CBS, TBS, and PAX, authored the book *Challenging Arrangements for Today's Church Pianist*, and been featured in *Clavier* Piano journal. The Lord has greatly blessed his decision to bring glory to Christ through music and testimony.