



God's  
Sanctuary  
by the  
Sea



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# Seaside Currents

"Say Cheese . . ."



I began taking pictures when I was in High School, serving on the yearbook staff. Though my interest in photography existed before that, I got serious at the Georgia Yearbook Workshop at Georgia Tech. I went through the photography workshop and won some small, forgotten award for pictures I had taken that week and I was off to the races. I've never been far from my camera since.

I still remember much of what I learned in that class. Many of those lessons are second nature to me now, though I rarely think of them in the terms used in those discussions—terms such as the "rule of thirds," "S-curves," and "Framing." I remember the passion. "Photographs are a moment taken out of time." They need to be "real," a reflection of the character of the subject and a hint at what he or she is thinking or doing. Our teacher saw the posed picture of the debate team or the band as necessary evils of the yearbook business. But "great photographs," he said, "are never posed!" That always stuck with me.

I had some photographs mounted recently to give as Christmas gifts. The ones I chose stood out in part because the people in them did not realize they were being photographed. The smiles were natural, not forced. The faces and bodies were relaxed. The personality and the picture was consistent.

We are fast approaching the Christmas season where lots and lots of pictures will be snapped. Some will inevitably be posed—group pictures of all the grandkids gathered around grandpa, children holding up a favorite gift, and so on. But some will be profoundly candid: the wonder of a child's face upon coming down the stairs on Christmas morning; grandma's face beaming with pride as she brings out the stuffing for Christmas dinner and looks out over her brood. Those pictures are rare and can be difficult to capture, but they are precious.

Candid pictures are difficult to catch in part because we're all taught to "smile and say cheese" when we see the camera. We try hard to put on a pleasant face for the world—to control the image that we present. Smiles are fine, of course, but for the photographer in me I want to ask, is it "real?" Are our gestures flowing from a full heart or are they mere expressions of obligation, like so many poses for a camera . . . "Say cheese!"

I remember the words of St. Paul: *Let love be genuine* . . . During this Christmas season, as you gather with your families and friends, may God give you that grace of genuine love. And may the pictures of you this Christmas never be posed.

Scott



**Candlelight and Communion Service**  
**December 24th**  
**5:30 pm**

***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 week. 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:**

Bob Aspy  
 Marguerite Ballenger  
 Ginny Barb & family  
 Bob Bell & family  
 Mickey Borders  
 Bruce & Linda Bowden  
 Sue Bowling  
 France Broom & mother—  
 Frances Rogers  
 Julie Burton  
 Loretta Carpenter & family  
 Sandy & Nick Casiato  
 Kemp Causey  
 George Cole  
 Nadine Cybyske  
 Karen Gady  
 Harriett Gano  
 Virginia Gross  
 Don & Donnie Haigler

Naomi Harder & family  
 Paula & Daniel Hernandez  
 Jeanne Horton  
 Crystal & Tabitha Huggett  
 Harvey & Yvonne Hundley  
 Eula Irby  
 Gil & Kathy Johnson  
 Margaret Jones  
 Sarah Justice  
 Sheila King  
 Aedan Klein  
 Charles & Marilyn Lefler  
 Jim Linke & family  
 Ralph & Kim McClernan  
 Dottie McVaugh  
 Norma Mohn  
 Pat Nutter  
 Shirley Owen  
 Phil Parker  
 Dale & Joan Powell  
 Prayer Warriors

Lois Puls  
 Betty & Clifford Pursey  
 Ellene Schwartz  
 Seaside UMC Staff  
 Dot Sellers  
 Wayne & Lynn Shoemaker  
 Midge Sparks  
 Carlene Stanley  
 Stephen Ministers  
 Bill Whaley  
 Bev Williams & family  
 Bill Wilson  
 John & Clair Winship  
 Gwen Wiseman  
 Women’s Day By the Sea  
 Jack Zachary



**Friends:**

Tony, Sandy Abatiell & family  
 Gladys Allen  
 Sue Anderson  
 Aunt Sue  
 Baby Ellie & parents  
 Evan Barberis  
 Jennifer Beckham  
 Jim Biby  
 James Blankenship  
 Sue Cassabone  
 H.C. Causey  
 Linda & Bill Chambers  
 Jim & Darlene Cooper  
 Troy Daniels  
 Caleb Davis  
 Scott Dufford  
 Bobby Eckhard  
 Bishop Marion Edwards  
 Kimberly Emery  
 Helen Ferree  
 Frank Fitzpatrick  
 Aimee Frink  
 Elaine Fuller  
 Jackie Gano  
 Violet Gant  
 Gavin  
 Kimberly Granada

Karen Gundrum  
 Jeanne Hall  
 Hamilton family  
 Kim Hewett  
 Frances Hudson & family  
 Wendell Hughes  
 Heather & Allan Hundley  
 Terry Ikner  
 Berwyn Inman  
 Steve Jennings  
 Amy King  
 Ashley King  
 Matthew King  
 Ricky King  
 Tom King  
 Maxine King  
 Molly Klein  
 Jaimie Mastoni  
 Penny McCombie  
 Betty J McPherson  
 Wendy Medlin  
 Jo O’Keefe  
 Pastor Sue  
 Michael Pazzillo  
 Linda Petty  
 Tyler Pfeiffer  
 Rose Phelps  
 Charles Phillips

Lee Powell  
 Joan Prall  
 Faye Louise Pullen  
 Megan Rabb  
 Kenneth Reid  
 Jack Rice  
 Mike Riccio  
 Marilyn Riordan  
 Cody Rogers  
 Dan Roland  
 Charlie Rose  
 Sheryl  
 Phillip Stavonovic  
 Jim Tarpey  
 Paige Thomasson  
 Susie Tripp  
 Ken & Dixie Twenty  
 Ernest & Patsy Ward Sr  
 Julia Brook Welch  
 Brian Willis  
 All friends & family members  
 unchurched  
 All those experiencing separation/divorce  
 All those Unemployed  
 All victims of physical or verbal  
 abuse  
 All victims of violence & abuse  
 Our Nation

**Serving Our Country:**  
 Marcus Barber  
 Jeffrey Beck  
 Matthew Bronson  
 Sarah Cassabone  
 Charles Conry  
 Greg Cox  
 Sgt Dennis Dustin, Jr  
 Ian Gerdes  
 Capt Greg Jenkins  
 Simone Kamil .  
 Mark Miller  
 Justin Oliver  
 Aaron Pait  
 John Reider  
 John Rogan  
 David Rothenberger  
 Matthew Scheff  
 Garrick Shelton  
 Adam Steelman  
 Jordan Thaymes  
 Christopher Verost



As you can see, our monthly prayer list is continually growing. Please help us out by keeping us updated. Unless we hear from those requesting prayer, we would like to remove names after one month. Please contact Milly Houger—mbhouger@atmc.net / phone 579-2603, Marlen Mapes—mjmapes@atmc.net /phone 575-6007 or Candie Meier—dandcmeier@atmc.net / phone 575-3531.

## Worship Attendance

	8:00	9:30	11:00
October 3	119	163	138
October 10			
October 17	119	178	115
October 24	54		309
October 31	106	201	150

## Sunday School Attendance

October 3	29
October 10	50
October 17	No S.S.
October 24	40
October 31	

## Newsletter Deadline

**December 10**

**FORMAT**

**Word .doc ONLY**

**Send articles to:**

**Jack DeGroot  
bjand3@atmc.net**

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

**Check out the web site:**

[www.seasideunitedmethodistchurch.org](http://www.seasideunitedmethodistchurch.org)

## 2011 Envelopes

2011 giving envelopes for all members and regularly giving non-members will be on a table in the Gallery just outside the sanctuary from the last Sunday in November through the end of the year. Anyone who can't find their envelopes or anyone who would like envelopes who has not used them in the past, please contact the Financial Secretary Wayne Matthews.

Tax Deduction—Just a reminder that in order to receive credit for your 2010 tax return all gifts must be received in the church office by the close of business on Friday, December 31, 2010. Any contributions received after this date will be part of your 2011 gifts.

Thanks to everyone who supported Seaside UMC through their gifts and service during year 2010.

## Lectionary Bible Readings

December 5  
Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19  
Romans 15:4-13  
Matthew 3:1-12

December 12  
Isaiah 35:1-10  
Luke 1:47-55  
James 5:7-10  
Matthew 11:2-11

December 19  
Isaiah 7:10-16  
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
Romans 1:1-7  
Matthew 1:18-25

December 26  
Isaiah 63:7-9  
Psalm 148  
Hebrews 2:10-18  
Matthew 2:13-23



## Happy Hearts

The Happy Hearts now have a set meeting date for the year—finally! We will meet on Tuesday at the church at 12 o'clock, every other month. The first meeting will be on January 18, 2011, next will be March 15th, and so on throughout the year (May 17, July 19, September 20, November 15). The ladies can then plan their year with doctor's appointments, etc. The January meeting at the church will feature a great movie!  
Lomie Lou



## Welcome New Members

Chuck and Barb Guenzi join us by transfer of membership from First UMC, Pearisburg, VA.

Jackie Lewis joins us by transfer of membership from Williamson Chapel UMC, Mooresville, NC.

## Address Changes & Additions

Marguerite Ballanger  
1320 Branchlands Dr Apt 3F  
Charlottesville, VA 22901  
Tele 434-202-8248

Chuch & Barb Guenzi  
492 Slippery Rock Way  
Carolina Shores, NC 28467  
Tele: 575-4939  
Chuck—email: [cguenzi@atmc.net](mailto:cguenzi@atmc.net)  
Barb—email: [bguenzi@atmc.net](mailto:bguenzi@atmc.net)

Bill & Dot Wilson  
Emeritus @ Cherry Hill Apt 311  
Danvers, MA 01923

Jackie Lewis  
522 Medcalf Dr. SW  
Sunset Beach, NC 28468

## Memorial & Honoraria

### In Memory of Bob Harder

**Given by:**  
Frances Broome  
John & Pat Burke

### In Memory of A.C. Hudson

**Given by:**  
Edward & Carole Sheets

### In Memory of Edith Linke

**Given by:**  
Joe & Mildred Brakebill

### In Memory of Odell Williamson

**Given by:**  
Lomie Lou Bazemore

### In Memory of Camille Yorkey

**Given by:**  
Frances Broome

### In Memory of Paul Justice

**Given by:**  
Frances Broome

## Thank you, Thank you!

Bill and I wish to thank you for your prayers, food, visits and cards. They helped so much. I'm sorry we will not get to say "Goodbye," as things moved so quickly. We'll be leaving on November 21st. We'll miss all of you.

God Bless,  
Bill & Dot Wilson

My heartfelt thanks to all of my friends at SUMC for your expressions of love and support during my recent hospital stay. I'm especially grateful for your prayers.

Bless you,  
Phil Parker

Thank you to everyone who participated by taking a tag on November 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Please return your gifts to the church by December 5<sup>th</sup>. If you did not take a tag you can still participate by donating wrapping paper.

Martha Matlock

## Save the Date—January 10, 2011

The eighth Annual United Methodist Women's Tea will be held January 10th at 12:30PM. Dust off your pretty hats and come join us. Sign-up sheets will be in the Gallery in late November.

If you have a business contact that might donate a door prize, or if you would like to donate a gift, please contact Susan Dearborn at [Susanoib@live.com](mailto:Susanoib@live.com).

There will be an award presented for the most "unusual" hat and there will be additional award categories, so be creative and surprise us.

Contact Diane Middleton at 579-0668 or [schlout@att.net](mailto:schlout@att.net) if you need further information. Come curl your pinkie finger and sip with us!

## FIGS Circle Christmas Luncheon

All members of the Figs Circle as well as ladies of Seaside Church who have not joined a circle, are cordially invited to attend the Figs Christmas Luncheon. The luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 from 12 noon to 2PM at the Elks Lodge in Calabash located at 937 Carter Drive. Selections will be made from a very affordable menu. The lodge is smoke-free. You are asked to RSVP to Wanda Wiltbank no later than Wednesday, December 1st at [RAYWO@ATMC.NET](mailto:RAYWO@ATMC.NET) or call 910-287-5553.



## *"Songs of Seaside"*

*So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger.*

Luke 2:16

The shepherds in their wisdom ran to the manger to worship the infant King. We hope you will come with us this Christmas season as the Sanctuary Choir presents *Run to the Manger* on Sunday, December 12th at 4 & 7PM. This will be a collection of wonderful Christmas songs tied together with narration written by Phil Parker. Once again, the choir will be accompanied by our outstanding orchestra. As always there will be several special surprises, so please mark your calendars and tell all of your friends! Tickets are now available in the church office. Please call and make a reservation if you need a nursery for either performance.

Another evening that you won't want to miss will be Wednesday, December 8th at 5:30PM! Our Joyful Noise Children's Choir will present a program of Christmas music to truly put you in the Christmas spirit. They will be singing and playing hand-bells! Following the program we invite everyone to join us for the Seaside UMC Church Family Christmas Party! Bring your favorite finger food (put it in the Fellowship Hall before the program) and visit with your church family as we gather together to celebrate the Christmas season. This is **your** church family—come be a part of the celebration!

All of our choirs and ensembles are working hard to inspire you with beautiful music during the Advent season. Each Sunday will be different and musical! Thank you to all who serve in the Music Ministry for your leadership and inspiration.

**A newsflash:** On Sunday, January 2nd, the Sanctuary Choir will be hosting the Pfeiffer University Concert Choir as they kick-off their choir tour with a concert at 7PM. Come enjoy these young voices as they share their talents with us.

Merry Christmas to all!

With a voice of singing,  
Kathryn



# Health and Welfare

Sheila King, Director

910-579-5753 or e-mail nurse\_medic\_king@hotmail.com

## UPCOMING EVENTS

YOGA Classes Mondays at 10 am and Wednesdays at 8 am. Mark Meyer, specializes in teaching individuals over 50 years of age. Cost \$5. per class. Class is therapeutic, relaxing and fun.

Diabetic Support Group meet: 1:30 PM 12/14  
Alzheimer's Support Group meet: 1:30 PM 12/16

Grief Class: December 8<sup>th</sup> at 5PM. Pre-registration is required. Lower Cape Fear Hospice is the sponsor. Please call 754-5356 ahead of time—no walk-ins. We will meet in room 207 at the church.

## Continued Projects for 2010-11

- We are still collecting hats, scarves, mittens, gloves and coats for various shelters in need.
- Seaside UMC is an official collection site for CELL PHONE FOR SOLDIERS.
- Health and Welfare is also collecting backpacks for students in various schools who cannot afford a backpack or when theirs wear out.

January 12, 2010



## New Class

“Lighten UP” every Friday beginning January 19 to March 9, 2011. It is a faith based approach to life style change using a holistic approach. The body is the “body of Christ”.

Weigh-ins are required and I will do cholesterol checks. The books will cost \$10 and there will be room for only 12. A sign-up sheet will be in the gallery for your convenience.



## Spiritual Peace

I recently attended a Faith Community Basic Course and really enjoyed the education part of the conference. But I especially enjoyed the Spiritual part each day. I wanted to share some of this spiritual peace with all of God's people.

### **Steps to tapping into an unlimited peace:**

1. **Recognize God:** God is the creator of all, the supreme power in a world that is bigger and more powerful than your small mortal self (this step makes you humble).
2. **Seek opportunities to put more love into the world:** Strive to be a vessel of love, to fill the world with more compassion and kindness (this step makes you loving and lovable).
3. **Set aside time each day to spend in spiritual reflection and contemplation:** Dwell in the presence of the divine. Your path maybe to pray, meditate, read spiritual books, or to take long walks through nature. You may even do all of the above. An optimum practice includes both a morning and evening reflection, with an aim toward twenty minutes for each session (this step keeps you strong).
4. **Become more accepting:** With every interaction, surrender any tendency to judge another person. Pray for a more accepting heart (this step makes you gracious).
5. **Forgive anyone you have not forgiven:** Whenever you withhold forgiveness, you keep yourself inbound to your own feelings of guilt (this step makes you kind).
6. **Recognize your mistakes:** Admit when have been wrong, and be willing to be corrected (this step makes you responsible).
7. **Try to see the good in others:** When you're tempted to judge someone, make an effort to see the good in them (this step makes you positive).
8. **Take stock of your thoughts and behavior:** Each night ask yourself, when were you negative, when could you have been positive? When did you withhold love when you might have given it? When did you play a neurotic game instead of behaving in a powerful way? Use this to self correct (this step makes you grow).
9. **Bless the world:** Pray not just that your own life will be blessed but that blessings will be poured on everyone (this step makes you beautiful).
10. **Use each interaction to be the best, most powerful version of yourself:** Try to rise to the occasion. Be the most wonderful expression of you that you're capable of (this step makes you a conduit of God's love).

## Methodist Home for Children Christmas Party



The Methodist Home for Children Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 11th at Pine Valley UMC in Wilmington. The UMM will donate 10 live Christmas Trees and the UMW will provide decorations for the trees.

We will have a box in the Foyer to collect new and used Christmas tree decorations. The box will be there from November 14-December 8th.

UMW Outreach  
Freddy Tatum  
Carol Matthews

## UMM Christmas Tree Sale

The United Methodist Men will again be selling Christmas Trees this holiday season. The #1 Fraser Firs (200) from Jefferson, NC are scheduled to be delivered the weekend before Thanksgiving. The first day of sales will be the following Wednesday. The 5 ft. to 12 ft. tall trees are delivered fresh and if purchased early and placed in water they will stay fresh well into January.

We need your help setting up and in sales—please volunteer. A sign-up poster is located in the Foyer, outside the Fellowship Hall. Pick the time(s) that you can help. Sales will run about 3 weeks. ALL the proceeds from the sales will fund local non-profit charities through the UMM.

Questions—contact Ted Russell (575-2156), or Bill Scheff (579-0157).



## Outreach Committee

At the last meeting of the year in November, allocations were made to Hope Harbor, WARM, Brunswick County Family Assistance, Providence Home, Literacy Council and The Methodist Home for Children.

The CROP WALK on November 7<sup>th</sup> had approximately 25 participants from SUMC who raised \$1,800 of which the youth raised \$500. It was reported that WARM (The Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry) has completed repairs on 56 homes so far and has a waiting list of 102 homes that still need repair. Providence Home is looking to build a long-term care facility to provide foster care as the length of stay for the teenagers under their care is only 90 days. SUMC was instrumental in the establishment of Providence Home. Wayne Shoemaker has been a board member since its start and now his son, Jamie, has also assumed a position on the board. Habitat for Humanity has completed 5 homes this year and their resale stores provide a large portion of their revenue for these projects. Our Food Pantry distributed 50 turkeys before Thanksgiving thanks to the residents of Sandpiper for their donation of food items that they collected. Literacy Council collected new and used books to be distributed at Christmas in conjunction with BFA Tree of Hope, and is now in need of non-instructional volunteers. And it should be noted that Peggie York will have 20 years of volunteering for the Literacy Council as of this year. South Brunswick InterChurch Council profited from their participation in Sunset at Sunset and served Thanksgiving dinner again this year. CIS (Shallotte Middle School) is in need of volunteers and held a Turkey Trot with the food being donated to a local Food Pantry. Hope Harbor continues to provide for those in crisis with limited funding as does Brunswick Family Assistance. We thank the congregation for their support and for the \$10,000 the committee received for 2011 from the proceeds of the 2010 Country Fair.

Martha Matlock  
Outreach Chair



## A Non-Contradiction . . .

There has been some confusion from some quarters as we plan for 2011 and budget for upcoming expenses and programming. The confusion seems to have arisen over the apparent contradiction between our Consecration Sunday report which indicated an anticipated income increase of over 4% and a budgeting process which requested that all work areas submit a budget proposal that was flat or represented no increase.

A little history may help to put this into perspective. In 2009, we ended the year with a significant budget shortfall and had to rely upon reserves to cover the deficit. Even after a successful Consecration Sunday for 2010, our income was projected to be below expenditures once again (though not as severely as in 2009). After considerable discussion, the Finance Committee proposed and the Church Council approved using a portion (40%) of the proceeds for the 2010 Country Fair to supplement (i.e. balance) the 2010 budget. This was done and we should end the year 2010 on a positive note financially. The giving projections for 2011 suggest that we WILL be able to meet a flat budget WITHOUT additional income from the Country Fair. But without that additional income, there is no room for any significant budget growth. The result is that the Country Fair income will return to its previous allocation of 80% to the building debt and 20% to missions. While this will put some constraints on us as we move through 2011, we ARE in excellent shape moving forward.

In short, we DID have a great consecration Sunday and you did very well. AND we can meet a flat budget for 2011 even without additional allocations from the Country Fair.

Mary Jane & Scott

## UMW December 2010

### Day of Caring Results:

God was good as we met on 11/3 for our day of caring as the rain held off and we were able to "get it done." Twenty-seven people performed a variety of tasks including weeding, trimming bushes, washing windows, and raking leaves at 11 different homes. We also had enough helpers to shampoo the gathering area and Fellowship Hall rugs, (hope you noticed that they look brighter), clearing out the pond on the church property, vacuuming the pews, and washing windows in the church. Another 10 prepared lunch for the workers as well as meals for all those we were helping. Everyone felt good about what we were able to accomplish but more importantly the individuals and families we were able to help were extremely appreciative.

We did receive some requests that were beyond our abilities and we gave the people information about WARM which is the Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry which we help support. So if anyone needs help or knows someone who does, other than what we described, please get in touch with one of the officers and they will provide an application for WARM.

Thanks again to the women and men of the church who gave of their time and energy! We plan on doing this again in the spring so look for the announcements and we hope others will join us

Jane Boone  
UMW President

Harold Blalock  
UMM President

## Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is responsible for reviewing and making sure all the information provided to the congregation and community is accurate and up-to-date.

Communications Committee responsibilities:

Chair/Co-chair—Oversees all aspects of the committee and makes sure things are in order and timely. Oversees monthly meetings, keeps yearly calendar of church events so nothing gets left out of the monthly newsletter.

Audio/Visual—Makes a DVD of church information and keeps it updated. Coordinates with Worship Committee on what is projected on the church screens in the sanctuary. Maintain the TVs and DVD players used for Bible study and for presentations. Is responsible for incorporating new technology when feasible and affordable (this means learning how to use it and teaching others).

Outside Media—Gets church information to the local newspapers when needed. Keeps on top of advertising and works to keep within the budget. Designs and arranges printing of a brochure that is used by the muggers and handed out to visitors.

Newsletter—A. Formatter—Puts together all the articles received from the editor and gets the newsletter to the administration staff for copying and mailing to the congregation by the end of each month for the upcoming month. B. Editor—Edits all of the articles submitted for the monthly newsletter and gets them to the Formatter in a timely matter to meet the deadline. C. Coordinator—Copies, compiles, and mails out the monthly newsletter.

Web Master—Keeps up-to-date information on the website, makes changes as needed, adds information as directed by Pastors and committee chairs. Interviewer—Writes profiles for the Getting to Know You column when church members are agreeable to an interview.

Church bulletins boards—Makes sure information is kept accurate and polices boards to remove unnecessary and outdated items.

Church Directory—Coordinates parishioners with photographers to produce a church directory periodically and schedules updates as necessary.

## Teddy Bear Ministry

We have distributed 217 bears this year, 90 were made by our ladies and 127 were donated bears and stuffed animals. We have project bags for the ladies who would like to help with this ministry. Thanks you all of you who made, stuffed, or donated bears and stuffed animals to our ministry.

Freddy Tatum  
Carol Matthews

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on Monday, January 10, 2011 at 10AM in the Parlor. We look forward to seeing you then! Merry Christmas!

Carol Matthews - 575-4267  
Freddy Tatum - 579-1187

*Seaside United Methodist Church's  
2010 Poinsettia Tree*

Be a part of our living tree

Poinsettias may be purchased:

In Memory of....

or

In Honor of....

Cost: \$15.00

(Envelopes are located in the back of the pews or  
in the church office)



## United Methodist Women Plan Fundraiser

As we have seen the need grow in our local area for more assistance, the Executive Board voted to have an ornament fundraiser so we will have additional funds to help our neighbors in need.

Starting in early December we will have the following ornaments available for your purchase:

Plain Methodist ornaments—i.e., for other friends and family \$7.00

Ornaments with Seaside UMC imprinted as shown \$8.00

Ornaments on a stand, also with Seaside imprinted \$9.00



Look for our table set up in the Fellowship Hall starting December 5.th. Women of the UMW will be there to assist you with your purchases.

UMW Executive Board



*On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage...  
Matt 2:11*

*Jesus, when I think about Your birth, let me be filled with wonder at what really happened to the world that holy night.*

Marci Alborghetti

## Giving Makes Mission Possible

Each year when we make our Pledge to Mission, we are helping to fulfill the Purpose of both the United Methodist Women and the Women's Division through Mission Giving. This is the foundation for all mission work. It is a way for us to express our faith. Your contribution enables a full and consistent response to human need, on a broader scale than we could accomplish alone, especially the **needs of women, children and youth**. It affirms the wholeness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and a commitment to its proclamation in word and deed.

The total program of United Methodist Women and the Women's Division is mission. This includes:

- Individual growth
- Spiritual enrichment
- Education for mission
- Social issues awareness
- Leadership development
- Schools and workshops
- Financial support for all mission

True to our Wesleyan heritage, mission cannot be solely charity but involves empowerment and advocacy for social change.

United Methodist Women are strong advocates for institutions and programs empowering and improving the lives of women, children and youth in the United States and around the world. Our money provides the basics we take for granted such as food, shelter, and education, as well as advocacy for employment, healthcare and human rights for many living on the margins of society.

In addition to supporting the larger Women's organization, on the local level, we at Seaside support agencies such as Hope Harbor, Methodist Home for Children, Providence Home, WARM, and Communities in School's along with many others. Some of the new programs we have undertaken this year are Food Pantry Breakfast/Lunches, Common Threads and Day of Caring. We also continue our ongoing Prayer Shawl and Teddy Bear Ministries. Truly, the Women at Seaside are making a difference—won't you join us if you are not already a member?

As the United Methodist Women (UMW) close out 2010, we would like to remind those who have not paid their pledges, to please do so by December 31st. If you are a member of the UMW and did not have an opportunity to make a pledge this year, you may still make a donation by December 31st. No amount is too small! As we approach the New Year and our Annual Tea and Pledge Service, it is also time to prayerfully consider what you can pledge for the coming year.

Thank you for your continued support!

*... their joy was so great that they were extremely generous in their giving ...*

II Corinthians 8:2



# Welcome, Lord Jesus

December 8th

5:30 pm

**Children's Christmas Program  
And  
Church Family Christmas Party**

Everyone is invited to bring finger food or  
hors d'ouvres to share afterwards in  
Fellowship Hall for our annual  
Church Family Christmas Party.  
Come join us for fun & fellowship!

Seaside Sanctuary Choir  
presents

# Run to the Manger

Directed by

Kathryn Parker

**Sunday, December 12, 2010**

Performances are at

4 PM and 7 PM

FREE Tickets—Available  
at the Church Office

\*A Love Offering for Brunswick  
Family Assistance will be taken  
following the concert.

\*\*If nursery is needed, please  
contact the church office by  
Dec. 5th, so arrangements can  
be made.



# December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1 8 am Yoga 9 am Grandparents Sp 10 am Christian Artists <u>Joyful:</u> Ringers 4:30 pm Noise Choir 5 pm 6 pm Jubilee Bells 6:30 pm Stephen Minister Training 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>2 7:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am &amp; 5 pm GED 11 am Kinderdance 6—8 pm Christmas Concert Rehearsal</p>	<p>3 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5 <u>Blood Pressure Check</u>  5 pm UMY</p>	<p>6 9 am ESL Tutoring 10 am Yoga 11 am SBL Group 12 pm Al-Anon 1:30 pm Disciple I 5 pm Comm. Comm. <u>6:30 pm</u> Boy Scouts UMM</p>	<p>7 7:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am &amp; 5 pm GED 10 am WISP 12 pm Kindergym <u>6:30 pm</u> Divorce Care Stephen Ministers</p>	<p>8 8 am Yoga 9 am Grandparents Sp 10 am Christian Artists 12 &amp; 3 pm Loss &amp; the Holidays  <u>5:30 pm children's Christmas Program</u> <u>6 pm Church Christmas Party</u>  7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>9 7:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am &amp; 5 pm GED 10 am Methodist Home for Children Box Prep 11 am Kinderdance 6 pm Christmas Concert Rehearsal</p>	<p>10 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>11 9 am Prayer Warriors</p>
<p>12 Christmas Concert 4 and 7 pm</p>	<p>13 9 am ESL Tutoring 10 am Yoga 11 am SBL Group 12 pm Al-Anon 1:30 pm Disciple I 6:30 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Trustees</p>	<p>14 7:30 am T'ai Chi 9 am &amp; 5 pm GED 12 pm Kindergym 1:30 pm Diabetes Support 6 pm Inst. Ensemble 6:30 pm Divorce Care 7 pm Classical Ensemble</p>	<p>15 8 am Yoga <u>9 am Grandparents Sp &amp; Disciple IV</u> 10 am Christian Artists 6:30 pm Stephen Minister Training 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>16 7:30 T'ai Chi 9 am &amp; 5 pm GED 11 am Kinderdance 1:30 pm Alzheimer's Support 5:30 pm Mid-Serv Choir 6:30 pm 8 &amp; 11 Choirs</p>	<p>17 4:30 pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 4 pm Hallelujah Class  5 pm UMY</p>	<p>20 9 am ESL Tutoring 10 am Yoga 11 am SBL Group 12 pm Al-Anon 1 pm Shell Seekers 1:30 pm Disciple I 6:30 pm Boy Scouts <u>7 pm</u> Finance &amp; FIGS</p>	<p>21 7:30 am T'ai Chi 10 am WISP 6:30 pm Divorce Care</p>	<p>22 8 am Yoga <u>9 am Grandparents Sp &amp; Disciple IV</u> 10 am Christian Artists 6:30 pm Stephen Minister Training 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>23 7:30 am T'ai Chi</p>	<p>24 Office Closed  5:30 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight &amp; Communion Service</p>	<p>25 Christmas Day</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27 9 am ESL tutoring 10 am Yoga 12 pm Al-Anon</p>	<p>28 7:30 am T'ai chi 6:30 pm Divorce Care</p>	<p>29 9 am Grandparents Sp 10 am Christian Artists 7 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>30 7:30 am T'ai Chi</p>	<p>31 Office Closed</p>	



# *Birthdays and Anniversaries*



## December 1

**Birthdays:**  
Dawn Thompson  
Gilbert Johnson

## December 2

**Birthdays:**  
Geri Piazza  
Bob Arace  
Marilyn Schenck  
Sandy Payne

## December 3

**Birthdays:**  
Lorraine McConaghie  
Lenora Cherry

## December 4

**Birthdays:**  
Michelle Difloure  
Charles Gurreri  
Betty Osborne  
Robert Rivenbark  
Christopher Taylor

## December 5

**Birthdays:**  
Bob Eckard  
Irene Kennedy  
Robert Dolbow  
**Anniversaries:**  
Walter & Marion Martens

## December 6

**Birthdays:**  
Byron Wauters  
Isabelle Waldron  
Judy Wallace

## December 7

**Birthdays:**  
Roger Crook  
Audrie Young

## December 8

**Birthdays:**  
Marion Martens

## December 9

**Birthdays:**  
Charlotte Sweeney  
Ruthie Cramer  
Mary Jane Wilson Parsons

## December 10

**Birthdays:**  
Mary Bruton  
Joan Routzahn  
Judy Lynch  
Sherri Shytle  
Delane Chappell

## December 10

**Birthdays:**  
Emmie Young  
Shawn Worth

## December 11

**Birthdays:**  
Laura Hosfield  
**Anniversaries:**  
Gaylee & Florence Strickland

## December 12

**Birthdays:**  
June Donley  
Catherine Farrington  
Louise Moseley  
Ken Harris  
Lomie Lou Bazemore  
Phyllis Billingsley

## December 13

**Birthdays:**  
Joyce Mose  
Bruce Bowden

## December 14

**Birthdays:**  
Carley Coates  
Alice Eckley  
Betty Donovan  
David Marlowe

## December 15

**Anniversaries:**  
Greg & Phyllis Tucker

## December 16

**Birthdays:**  
Miriam Marks  
John Myers  
Bruce Routzahn  
Michael Hetrick  
**Anniversaries:**  
Henry & Judy Lynch

## December 17

**Birthdays:**  
Marge Comer  
Janet Benton  
**Anniversaries:**  
Don & Gwen Wiseman

## December 18

**Birthdays:**  
Bill Wilson  
**Anniversaries:**  
Tom & Linda Herncane

## December 19

**Birthdays:**  
Pat Lehman  
Ronald Sorice

## December 19

**Anniversaries:**  
Wayne & Judy Smith  
Justin & Amanda Wright

## December 20

**Birthdays:**  
Marguerite York  
Sheila King

## December 21

**Birthdays:**  
Frank Coates  
**Anniversaries:**  
John & Bev Blair  
Alan & Gail Hanna

## December 22

**Birthdays:**  
Betsy Russell

## December 23

**Birthdays:**  
Don Haigler  
Peggy McKay  
**Anniversaries:**  
Bill & Ronda Sale

## December 24

**Birthdays:**  
Michael Milliken  
Courtney Milliken  
Mickie Borders  
Byron Nelson

## December 25

**Birthdays:**  
Linda Pazillo  
Ann Hucks

## December 27

**Birthdays:**  
Bev Phieffer  
Sybil Apsaga  
Jeanne Williams  
**Anniversaries:**  
Jim & Marge Comer

## December 28

**Birthdays:**  
Barry Hartman  
Greg Crecelius  
**Anniversaries:**  
Ron & Bonnie Sorice

## December 29

**Birthdays:**  
Allen Hick  
Sandra Kertcher  
Sherry Blalock

## December 30

**Anniversaries:**  
Dick & Cindy Fickes  
Brian & Milly Houger

## December 31

**Birthdays:**  
Vickie Acton  
**Anniversaries:**  
John & Sandy Payne