

**Wait...what?**

I watched a basketball game not long ago where a center was caught with the ball outside the three-point line. The shot clock was winding down. He looked worriedly at the basket as if he'd never actually attempted a shot from that distance before, but there was no one available for a safe pass. He made up his mind and released the shot just as the shot clock expired and... SWISH...through the hoop. The other team took the ball out and hurried down the court as the center stood there for a long moment reveling in his triumph. Meanwhile, the fellow he was supposed to be guarding scored an easy layup on the other end of the court.

Between bad eyesight and short legs, I've never played a minute of competitive basketball, but I know exactly what that feels like. And I'll wager that you do as well.

When we achieve something big—hit a milestone or accomplish a major goal, it is natural to want to step back and revel in the moment. Do you remember the story of Jesus going up the mountain with Peter, James and John where he was transfigured in their presence and a cloud descended and God spoke? Peter and the others wanted to stay there, construct shelters so they could camp out. "It's good for us to be here," they proclaimed. But Jesus had other ideas and back down the mountain they went, the cross looming in the distance. This is the story we read on the last Sunday before Lent begins—this year that would be February 15th. Our journey with Jesus doesn't end with the spiritual high of the transfiguration, but that moment can give us the strength to persevere.

I was thinking about that sitting here basking in the glow of our wonderful 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary service on January 11—the culmination of a year of planning and praying and working. So many of you have been so complimentary of the celebration, and I have to admit that as wonderful as it was, we are glad it's over. Time to rest. Pitch our tents. Survey the landscape and think about how far we've come as a church. Sigh...

But the moment doesn't last. It can't. Lent and the journey to the cross continue down the mountain. Before the Fellowship Hall was cleaned up after lunch on Sunday, the youth were already working on a mission event making scarves for the S.C.A.R.F. project (Seaside Caring and Reaching Friends). And Monday launched us into another week of hospital calls, teaching, meetings, planning, praying and studying.

Later in the week following our celebration, one of our founding members mentioned that they would never have imagined what Seaside would become when they first began planning a church here in Sunset Beach. And we do not know what the next 25 years will bring. But we take a deep breath, take one more look around, and begin our journey down the mountain with Jesus. What is in store, we do not fully comprehend. But we trust that as our Lord leads, and as we follow, we will continue the faithful journey in his service.

Thank you for continuing that journey with us.  
Scott

**February 2015  
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***Upcoming  
Events***

Feb 13—May 15  
Grief/Share  
Begins

Feb 17  
Shrove Tuesday  
Pancake Supper

Feb 18  
Ash Wednesday

March 8  
Daylight Savings Begins  
Not Your Mama's  
Bake Sale

March 29  
Easter Cantata  
"The Rose of Calvary"  
4 & 7 PM

May 2  
UMM Annual Golf  
Tournament

June 15-19  
VBS  
"Have You Herd?"

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:**

Kay Arace & family  
 Ann & Lafayette Bowman  
 Frances Broome  
 Ginger Cannon  
 Harry & Louisa Clatterbuck  
 Tom & Jeanne Deacon  
 Marge Duffy  
 Marilyn & Bob Eronimus  
 Fam of Catherine Garrington  
 Liz & John Franz & family  
 Betty Geesey & family  
 Alicia Gillen  
 Brief/Share  
 Stephen Harris & family  
 Paula Hernandez  
 Tom Hernacane  
 Gene & Lorraine Hoge  
 David Hooks, Jr  
 Tabatha & Christal Huggett  
 Gil & Kathy Johnson family  
 Nancy Jack  
 Judy Keill & family  
 Sandy & Gary Kershner  
 Bruce & Sandy Kertcher & family  
 Anne & Justin Klein  
 Bernice Lewis  
 Dell Little & family  
 Donna Lloyd  
 Leo Macon  
 Susan McDonald family  
 Pat Nutter  
 Pat Mowery  
 BettyOakes  
 PhilParker  
 Carolyn Powell  
 Bev Pheiffer  
 Prayer Warriors  
 Betty Pursey  
 Jack & Kathy Scalise  
 Gerald & JoAnn Scott  
 Seaside UMC Staff  
 Susan Seidel  
 Dot Sellers  
 Randy Shuford  
 Charity & Larry Smith  
 Jimmy Smith  
 Lois Springstead  
 Stephen Ministers  
 Linda Stigle  
 Marge Stone  
 Danice & Connie Stout  
 SS Volunteers & Students  
 Bud Sweetman  
 Mildred Trenchard  
 Ruby Trow  
 Tommy & Eleanor Tucker  
 UMYF & Leaders  
 Kitty & Steve White  
 Bev, Mandee & Mike Williams  
 Jim & Marybeth Yeager

**Friends**

Family of Patricia Abbruzzi  
 Kay Amyx  
 Herman Anderson  
 Walter Androski & family  
 Mary Androski  
 George Bahm  
 Wilson, Dawn & Thomas Baker  
 Paul & Laurie Bart family  
 Zach Bernier  
 Len Best  
 Bob Billups & family  
 Alvin & Bonnie Brookshire  
 Lindy & Dave Bruce  
 Ed Bye & Becky Temple  
 Richard & Susan Kanipe  
 Mona Kay & Bill Carter  
 Linda & Bill Chambers  
 Children of the World  
 Denise Cooley  
 Jim & Darlene Cooper  
 Corey  
 Eleanor Cranford & family  
 Lisa Crumlish  
 Joann Curry  
 Margret Damatto  
 Caleb Davis  
 Divorce Care Group  
 Matthew Duncan  
 Scott Dustin  
 Family of Esther Earp  
 Etta Erickson  
 Pat Fitzpatrick  
 Mark Foley  
 Barbara Thayer Foster  
 Jackie & Bill Gano  
 Family of Dan Gentile  
 Calvin Green  
 Charlie & Debbie Gurreri  
 Wayne Haigler  
 Mack & Pattie Hannah  
 Rhonda Hester  
 Family of Susan Hoover  
 Cindy Hryniewieck  
 Carol Jenkins  
 Jerry Jordan  
 Pam Keever  
 Clair & Benjamin Keiwart  
 Mary Kinslow & family  
 Johnny Lawson  
 Nathan Leckey  
 Leslie  
 Jack Levine  
 Todd Lineberry  
 Tara Lombardi & family

**Friends Continued:**

Jim & Jane Love  
 Brian Marsh  
 Dottie McVaugh  
 Jeff Miller  
 Kathryn Murphy & Berwyn  
 Inman  
 Patty Norwood  
 Jo O'Keefe  
 Our Nation & Our World  
 Judy Patterson  
 Preschool Teachers  
 Lucas Ramsey  
 Family Of Rick Ramsey  
 Veronica & Patrick Reddy  
 Joe Rinaldi  
 Mae Roberson  
 Family of Carianne Roe  
 Lee Shamburg  
 Brian Schenck  
 Dick & Betty Schillinger  
 Family of Dale Schutt  
 Alvin Shuford  
 Nellie Shuford  
 Debbie & Jim Siegler & family  
 Donna Leigh Sotomeyer  
 Midge Sparks  
 Caitlin Spinnato  
 Phillip & Jennifer Stavonovic  
 Cody & Jennifer Stepp  
 David & Lisa Stroud  
 Danny Tanner  
 Lisa Tinglestad & family  
 Robert Trouzeau  
 Victims of Violence & Abuse  
 Elsie Walsh  
 Alice Weber  
 Jack Whitley Jr  
 Phil Wiles  
 Family of Jennifer Wyatt  
 Clement & Anna May York  
 Catharine Young

**Serving Our Country:**

Alex Blust  
 Brad Borders  
 Matthew Bronson  
 Chad Bryson  
 Oliver Clayton  
 Jeremy Courtney  
 Dodge Dustin  
 Charles Kelley  
 William (Willy) Mabry  
 Marschal Martens  
 Aaron Pait  
 Zachary Rushing  
 John Vernaue  
 Christopher Wallace

**Prayer Warriors need your help!**

**See article on page 6**



- All Members & Friends in Assisted Living Facilities, Nursing Homes or in Home Care
- All friends & family members un-churched
- All those experiencing Separation or Divorce
- All those un or under employed



## Lectionary Bible Readings

### Feb 1

Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
 Psalm 111  
 1 Corinthians 8:1-13,  
 Mark 1:21-28

### Feb 8

Isaiah 40:21-31  
 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
 1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
 Mark 1:29-39

### Feb 15

2 Kings 2:1-12  
 Psalm 50:1-6  
 2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
 Mark 9:2-9

### Feb 22

Genesis 9:8-17  
 Psalm 25:1-10 (UMH 756)  
 1 Peter 3:18-22  
 Mark 1:9-15

## Food Pantry Report December

Seniors— 195  
 Adults— 353  
 Children— 282  
 Total served— 830

Total families served—226  
 Families served weekly—45

As many of you are aware, we have had to make some adjustments in the operation our pantry recently. Our donations during 2014 were comparable to donations in 2013, however, the number of clients served has increased significantly. Donations from our church family were quite generous this December, and we feel this will go far in helping us continue to serve our neighbors in Brunswick County who need assistance with food. Winter months usually result in more clients using the pantry as families struggle to make ends meet, especially with heating costs. Please continue to support our food pantry with your gifts.

## Memoria & Honorariums

### In Memory of:

Charlie Little  
**Given by:**  
 Shelley & Donna Leazer  
 Steve & Renee Long  
 Hazel Forlidas  
 Glenn & Ginger Cannon

### In honor of:

Daryl & Phyllis Forsythe  
**Given by:**  
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Tommy & Eleanor Tucker  
**Given by:**  
 Kenny & Julie Tucker

### In honor of:

Bob & Ann Wiltbank  
**Given by:**  
 Robert & Cookie Ingraham

## Thank You

Thank you Ladies who served cookies and punch. Everything was done so nicely and was appreciated by all. My family sends their love and thanks. Dutch just loved Sunday morning coffee and cookies.

My love,  
 Betty Geesey

I would like to thank Mary Jane, Scott, Stefanie and the congregation for your prayers, love and support to my family during Charlie's illness and death.

We appreciated it very much.  
 Love,  
 Dell Little

## Attendance Worship and Sunday School

	8:00	9:30	11:00
<b>Dec 7</b>	151	165	181
Seaside Christmas			131
<b>Dec 14</b>	144	185	149
Cantata	4pm	596	
	7pm	612	
<b>Dec 21</b>	111	137	154
<b>Dec 24</b> Christmas Eve		5pm	178
		7pm	315
<b>Dec 28</b>	100	120	122

## Sunday school

Nov 30	56
Dec 7	59
Dec 14	55



Dolores Geisler joined Seaside Sunday, December 7th by transfer of membership from Community Church, Harrington Park, NJ.

Dolores can be reached at:  
 101 Forest Walk  
 Sunset Beach, NC 28468  
 H: [910-575-2816](tel:910-575-2816)

Dottie Scalzo joined Seaside December 21st by transfer of membership from Old Shallotte Baptist Church, Shallotte, NC.

Dottie can be reached at:  
 6899 Maple Road NW  
 Ash, NC 28420  
 H: [910-287-6154](tel:910-287-6154)  
 Email: [doundot@atmc.net](mailto:doundot@atmc.net).

## 11:00 Sunday School Class



The 11AM Sunday school is currently doing a study on Christianity and World Religions. This topic will continue through February 22nd. Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam will be discussed using a DVD format and discussion. Questions will be discussed such as how Christians should view other religions, how God is at work with other religions, and what is the fate of those who earnestly pursue God through other religions. Larry and Nancy May are the facilitators. All are welcome to come to the class, which meets in room 210.

Lenten Study begins on March 1<sup>st</sup>. *24 Hours That Changed the World* is the topic for the 11AM Sunday school class. On this journey through Lent, you are guided through the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life. Each session is designed to help the class experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a new way. Whether you are a long-time Christian, or a new seeker, there will be something for you. The format is DVD presentation and class discussion. Ralph Eckley will be facilitating this study. The class meets in room 210 and is open to anyone interested in this discussion.

### Change of Address

John & Liz Franz  
147 Scotchbroom Dr., Unit 102  
Little River, SC 29566

## Music Ministry



*Jesus said, "Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men."  
Matthew 4:19*

February is certainly the month for love! Seaside UMC is so blessed with wonderful opportunities to share your love for God in our congregation and community! I hope you will feel the love this month.

### A few notes of importance during February:

- February 14th we will host the Carolina Master Chorale at 4:00pm in our church sanctuary. Tickets are available at the door or through the Carolina Master Chorale website.
- February 15th we will celebrate Children's Sabbath. Our children's choir will sing at the 9:30 & 11:00 services. Come support our children!
- Free Tickets for the Easter cantata will be available through the church office on Monday, February 16th. The Easter cantata, "The Rose of Calvary" by Joseph Martin will be performed on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 & 7:00. Please join us as we walk through the story of Easter.
- Join us February 18th at 7:00 pm as we celebrate Ash Wednesday. This begins our Lenten season.

Love to all of you who participate and support our Music Ministry! Thank you for all you do!

With a voice of singing,  
Kathryn

**March 2015  
Newsletter  
Deadline**

**February 15th**

## Country Fair Update

Only about 200 days to get ready for Seaside's annual gala—Country Fair 2015! The dates are set—September 18th and 19th on the SUMC grounds. Teams will be working hard in the months prior to the Country Fair to get everything ready for opening day. There is something for everyone: Yard Sale, Clothing, Live and Silent Auctions, Jewelry, Crafts, Garden, Bake Sale, Books, Grounds, Security, Food and Drink, Communications, and much more. Country Fair is a way for the entire Seaside community to join together, become a team and raise funds to continue our outreach into the surrounding areas.

*"I have showed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."* (Acts 20:35) Please consider giving of your time and talents to make this year's Country Fair a success and make SUMC's vision, "A vital community, encountering Jesus Christ, and living abundantly through service to God and Neighbor," a reality.

We need you. If you would like to be a part of any of the Country Fair teams, please contact Kim and Carolyn Loucks at 315.729.6476 and we will get you set up. Looking forward to working with you on this important event.

Kim and Carolyn Loucks



## Permanent Endowment and Special Gifts Committee

### A Current Will or Trust

Have you put off making or updating your will or living trust? Maybe you think it costs too much to do. Perhaps you are having a hard time deciding how to leave your money, or you may simply have an aversion to confronting your mortality. Maybe this is the year you need to "just do it!"

Having these documents prepared for you may seem like a daunting task at first, until you realize all the good that comes from having them.

A bequest from either a will or living trust lets you pass any amount you wish to SUMC free of estate tax. You can give cash, specific property, or a percentage of your estate, with restrictions or without. Because your gift doesn't come to us until after your lifetime, you can change your mind at any time.

To make sure your will accomplishes your goals according to your wishes, we suggest you speak with any member of this committee who can help steer you in the right direction.

Here are a few benefits:

- Provide for your family after your death.
- Distribute your assets according to your wishes.
- Save on taxes with proper planning.
- Leave a legacy without giving up assets today.

### Words From Bishop Hope

Dear friends at Seaside,  
Thank you for your gracious welcome and wonderful gifts! It was a joy to celebrate 25 years with you. The quilt, shawl, basket-all are signs of your generosity and partnership.

Blest be the ties that bind!  
Bishop Hope

## Prayer Warriors Need Your Help!

Please note that our prayer list on Page Two of this Newsletter is very long. In an attempt to keep it up-to-date and to be in prayer for current needs, we ask that those of you who request prayers for a member or friend, contact us with updates on their condition monthly.

As you can see by the number of names, it is a monumental task to contact each one of you. We could use your help.

Therefore, if a person remains on the list without an update, we have to assume they are well and remove them from the list after 60 days. However, if there is still a need, please contact us and we will put them back on the list. We believe in the power of prayer, please let us know who is in need of ours.

To add or give an update, contact:

Marlen Mapes – [mjmapes@atmc.net](mailto:mjmapes@atmc.net)  
Phone 575-6007

Candie Meier – [candiem1@gmail.com](mailto:candiem1@gmail.com)  
Phone 575-3531

Freddy Tatum – [fetatum@atmc.net](mailto:fetatum@atmc.net)  
Phone 579-1187

## The Perfect Outlook for 2015

Grace is all around you. No, life won't ever be perfect. Even in the land of milk and honey you can get kicked by a cow or stung by a bee. But when that happens, you can laugh with the Lord by your side.

From *Hope for a Woman's soul*, by Barbara Johnson, a book of compiled writings.

## Vacation Bible School

**VBS**  
**June 15-19th**  
**Volunteers Needed**  
**See Kathy Parker**

## Youth Fellowship News

### **Wanted: Perfect Youth Ministry Volunteers**

The Youth Fellowship of Seaside is a growing ministry, and you have the opportunity to be a part of sharing the gospel of Christ with students in a way that impacts their lives and the lives of all those they meet. But admit it, working with teenagers is pretty scary, right?

So to put your mind at ease, here are some "Youth Ministry Myths:" 1. You have to be "cool." 2. You have to be young. 3. You have to be able to answer every question about the Bible. 4. You have to know everything about youth culture.

Now, here is the truth about God's "Perfect" Youth Ministry Volunteers: 1. You love Jesus and desire to share his love with others. 2. You love SUMC and want to see its continued growth. 3. You want to take a genuine interest in the lives of teenagers. 4. You really want to listen to the students and show them that you care about them and the issues they face.

In order to offer our youth opportunities for mission, discipleship and community, we need several adult leaders who will commit their time to simply being present for those events and serving as drivers, chaperones or as an extra pair of hands. We are looking for folks who would be available to serve on a rotating basis for the Sunday evening meetings from 5:30-7:00 p.m. We also need people willing to chaperone short day trips. Additionally we have the opportunity for those who would like to dig a little deeper in building relationships with the kids by going on overnight trips, weekend retreats, as well as week-long mission camps.

If you feel that God is leading you to be a spark in our youth ministry, please contact Stefanie Riley. She would love to talk with you further to give you more information as well as discover how best your gifts can be used to serve the students of our community.

Grace and peace,  
Stefanie Riley

## Not Your Mama's Bake Sale

Sunday March 8th  
Following all Services  
Bring Donations to Church  
Saturday, March 7th  
9—11am  
or  
prior to 8 am Sunday

## Worship Committee

I would like to thank Toby Brenizer for the excellent job she performed as Worship Committee Chair Person in 2014. The work entailed much more than normal with the 25th Anniversary included in her duties as "Chair." Toby continued into 2015 with the 25th Celebration ending with a great service, tremendous music, and a wonderful lunch this past Sunday.

The Worship Committee is set to have another good year. Most of the functions have volunteers set up and in place for 2015. However, we do have a need in our Chancel Guild for volunteers. If you have an interest, please contact me.

Len Bernauer  
Worship Committee

## S. T. A. R. S.

Although it's still January, planning for the 2015 S.T.A.R.S. Summer Literacy and Enrichment program is well underway. On behalf of the S.T.A.R.S. Steering Committee, thank you Seaside for your support of our first summer program in 2014. At the January 23<sup>rd</sup> Steering Committee meeting, the first order of business was acknowledging our gratitude to God who, through all of those involved, provided an outstanding academic and enrichment experience for our students and their families. During the most recent 9 week student awards presentation at Jessie Mae, all of the JMMES S.T.A.R.S. participants received either academic recognition or recognition as "Good Citizens" in their classrooms.

In January, S.T.A.R.S. committee members met with JMMES Administration, along with the 2014 S.T.A.R.S. teachers and assistants. The teaching teams are committed to returning this summer and they, along with JMMES administration, are involved in planning a family orientation/informational evening to be held at the school. Rising second and rising third grade students that are selected, based on their literacy scores as eligible for the program, will be invited, along with their families, to attend and register for the program.

We invite you to visit the S.T.A.R.S. Volunteer Information Exhibits in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> after all services. Similar to last year, Committee Members will be on hand to provide information on this year's S.T.A.R.S. program and assist you in choosing the area you'd like to support and the dates most convenient for you.

Look for updates on this year's program in the weekly and monthly Currents. Following are the dates and times for S.T.A.R.S. 2015. Please note the program will begin one week earlier than last year, with an earlier dismissal time each day.

June 29<sup>th</sup> through August 7<sup>th</sup>  
8:30 AM – 4 PM Daily

For more questions or more information,  
please contact Meg Good at 579-5753.

## Garden of the disciples

As you look out of the Fellowship Hall windows you may realize that the brickwork in the Garden of the Disciples has been laid in the shape of a cross.

*The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. Genesis 2: 15*

We are now working to get ready for the spring growing season. To tidy the Garden of Disciples we need a few dedicated volunteers to work one or two days a month to maintain the garden's beauty. The 2015 calendar is ready; no special skills are needed. If you would like to be a part of the group that lovingly maintains the Garden, please contact Gerry Strickland at 910.209.1089.



"My daughter, Larisa, passed away on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014. For seven years prior to her death, Larisa and I were estranged and rarely spoke. Consequently, when I came to Grief Share I was not only grieving but also dealing with a lot of guilt and regrets.

"I came to Grief Share because I needed a place to cry, and in the beginning that's what I did. I cried—and I cried. It was here that I learned it was okay to cry—in fact, it is normal. And I learned that a lot of the other things I was feeling were normal too, and that there are others who've been where I am and who understand what I'm feeling. As I cried, I began to heal.

"I'm still grieving, and I know I will continue to grieve until my grieving is complete, and that's different for everyone. Most of the time I'm fine. I function normally and enjoy my life; but then a trigger of some sort occurs—a song, a phrase, a smell—and the grief instantly covers me like a heavy dark shroud, and it's as raw as it was on the day she died. But this doesn't happen as often as it did, and it doesn't last as long when it happens.

"Thanks to Grief Share, I can cope and I can hope. I am grateful to God for the 44 years He gave me with my daughter, and I look forward to the eternity I will have to spend with her that has been promised to me through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thank you, God, and thank you Grief Share for being here for me."

**Cycle 6 of GriefShare begins  
Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.**

For more information, contact Milly Houger 579-2603  
or Jim McNeill 579-2405.

## United Methodist Men's News

### UMM 2015 Officers

President: Ron Sorice  
V President: Lee Booher  
Secretary: Mike Carper  
Treasurer: Ron Melvin

### Men's Dinner—All men welcome

Monday, February 2, 2015 @ 6:30 pm  
Guest speaker: Fred Stevens  
Brunswick Family Assistance,  
Executive Director

Signup in the Gallery

### Save the date:

Seaside United Methodist Annual Golf Outing  
Hosted by United Methodist Men  
Saturday, May 2nd, 2015  
Panther's Run Golf Club  
*One of the Big Cats Courses at  
Ocean Ridge Golf Club*  
8:30 AM Shotgun Start  
\$75.00 Entry Fee Includes  
Golf, Range Balls, Lunch, Prizes  
All proceeds benefit local  
charitable community organizations

More information on the Annual Golf Outing will be available in early February. Check the Gallery in February for Entry, Sponsor and Door Prize forms. Mark May 2nd on your calendar. If you're not a golfer, there are many opportunities to volunteer at the golf course.

## United Methodist Women's News

### UMW 2015 Officers

President: Sandra Shuford  
V President: JoCarol Allen  
Secretary: Naomi Harder  
Treasurer: Marilyn Schenck

### UMW Reading Program

If you were able to attend the January Prayer Breakfast, you would have seen 21 proud readers receive their UMW Reading certificate. It was a proud moment for me also, as my goal has been to reach a goal of 20 participants. Guess what? My goal for this year is **25!**

If you are new to UMW or haven't heard about the Reading Program, please call me or ask another member. The books are located in our church library, on the shelves just to the left of

the big window. There you will find the lists of eligible books, a record-keeping form and a clipboard sign-out sheet. There are some great titles there. Some are Youth books (and really easy to read) and some books count for two of the five categories.

Remember, if you started last year and didn't finish the requirements, pickup where you left off and finish this year. The requirements must be met by August 1, 2015, so even if you haven't started yet, you still have time!

For more information, call Marie Wilcox. (575-1076)

### Women's Prayer Breakfast

The Seaside United Methodist Women held their annual Prayer Breakfast on Monday, January 12, 2015 in the church Fellowship Hall. The Seekers Circle hosted the event with a wonderful array of delicious casseroles and breakfast sweets. Naomi Harder welcomed everyone and opened with a Blessing. She had very kind words expressing her past experiences being the UMW Unit President. Ginny Coats continued the program with a meaningful installation of the new officers and committee leaders for 2015.

Marilyn Schenck held the UMW Pledge Service, reminding each member of the commitment to service in their global community. Marie Wilcox presented many UMW members with certificates of achievement celebrating the Reading Program. She strongly encouraged each member to continue their spiritual growth by reading the UMW books and periodicals during the year. Sandra Shuford, as the newly inducted Seaside UMW Unit President, closed the Prayer Breakfast with her personal introduction, which included her experiences as a Methodist Woman. With the many positive influences from her past of six generations of Methodist grandmothers and her mother, she plans to continue representing UMW with united leadership, personal growth, and social action. Sandra then held a prayer of UMW service to finalize the Prayer Breakfast.

### Seekers Circle

The first meeting of the Circle for 2015 will be on Tuesday, February 10th at 1:00PM in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to seeing everyone at that time.

Carol Matthews  
Mary Ann vonHausen—Co-chairs



## M&M Circle

The M&M (Mary and Martha) Circle will meet on the second Friday, February 13, 2015 in Room 210. We will make plans for our circle for 2015 including plans to host the March UMW Unit Meeting on March 16th. All women of the church are invited to attend. For more information please call June Donley, 575-5467 or Marilyn Schenck, 579-0332.

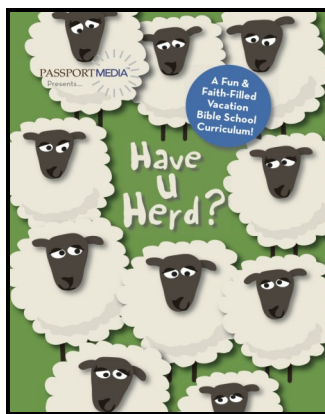
## Prayer Shawl Ministry

On Sunday, January 11th, a Prayer Shawl was given to Bishop Ward during our service celebrating Seaside's 25th Anniversary. In 2014, 42 Prayer Shawls were given. This brings a total of 587 Prayer Shawls given since this Ministry began in March 2006.

Carol Matthews  
Bernita Magee—Co-chairs

## Spring 2015 Adult Study Classes

- **Confronting the Controversies**—Kim and Carolyn Loucks, facilitators, Wednesday evening for 7 weeks, 6:30-8:00, beginning April 8th, Room 210. Group study of tough issues done by Adam Hamilton. Issues include Separation of Church and State; Creation and Evolution in Public Schools; The Death Penalty; Euthanasia; Prayer in Schools; Abortion and Homosexuality.
- **Introduction to the Labyrinth, a Spiritual Practice and Meditation Tool**—Sue Amyx, facilitator, on **Wednesday, April 1st, ONLY.** 6:30-8:30 in room 210 and the Fellowship Hall. Walking the labyrinth is a meditation tool that helps you focus on spiritual issues, healing and life issues. It gives you time to slow down, pray for what is important to you and to be grateful. In addition to the workshop, the labyrinth will be open to walk in the Fellowship Hall Tuesday, March 31st through Friday, April 3rd for Holy Week.



## Have You HERD the Good News?

Mark your calendars for this year's **Vacation Bible School, June 15-19!**

The theme this year is "Have You Herd?," a week that will be full of learning how to hear and respond to the voice of our Good Shepherd. Through Bible stories, crafts, worship, missions, games and snacks our kids will learn about how Jesus is our caring Shepherd who calls us to follow him. We will need plenty of loving hearts and helping hands so that our VBS can make a great impact in our community. Be in prayer for how God may be calling you to serve this year, with more details soon to come!



## Prom Season Ahead

Our Free Store will be helping West Brunswick High School to stock their prom closet with new/gently used "prom clothing." So, ladies and gents we invite you to check those closets one more time and dig out the fancy, fun dresses, sparkly shoes, tuxedos and shirts or dress shoes that can be shined like a mirror. Ask your grandchildren, too. We want our teens to be able to enjoy their evening of memory-making in style! You can bring your donations to the free store anytime and we will see that they get to WBHS. Bob Bell is heading up this effort along with another faculty member. If you have any questions, please contact Bob @ 579-3814.

# February Birthdays and Anniversaries

## **February 2**

### **Birthdays:**

O'Dell Norman  
Jennifer Smith

## **February 3**

### **Birthdays:**

Susan Dearborn  
Pat Linnel

## **February 4**

### **Birthdays:**

Denise Houghen-Clagett

## **February 5**

### **Birthdays:**

Stephanie Shytle  
Bridget Loughran  
Andrew Thorndyke

## **February 6**

### **Birthdays:**

Jeanne Horton

## **February 7**

### **Birthdays:**

Marcia Warring  
Dana Pickup  
Jonathan Dusenbury  
Connie Thompson  
Paul Wenzler  
Terry Jones

## **February 8**

### **Birthdays:**

Janet McComb  
Nathan Godfrey  
Regan Chappell  
Thomas Walters  
William Winans

## **February 9**

### **Birthdays:**

LuCinda Sealey

## **February 10**

### **Birthdays:**

Nancy Jack  
Barbara Bowden  
Regan Marlowe

### **Anniversaries:**

Tony & Gere Andujar

## **February 11**

### **Birthdays:**

Marlene Meier  
Judy Sikes  
Bert Kuthe  
Zachary Sealey

## **February 12**

### **Birthdays:**

Louisa Clatterbuck  
Juanita English  
Anna Craft  
Shawn Ferguson

## **February 13**

### **Birthdays:**

Danice Stout  
Ted Pounds  
Carol Quick



## **February 14**

### **Birthdays:**

James Johnson  
Sandra Palmer  
Ted Russell  
Terry Britt

### **Anniversaries:**

Bobby & Brenda Hollyfield  
Tom & Sally Frawley

## **February 15**

### **Birthdays:**

Pam Ellis  
George Edwards  
Sandra Welch

### **Anniversaries:**

Jim & Pam Hardie

## **February 16**

### **Birthdays:**

Sue Bowling  
John Ochs  
Ed Keller  
Chason McCall  
Jessica McCall  
Whitney Scott

### **Anniversaries:**

Decio & Margie Stone

## **February 17**

### **Birthdays:**

Pam Smith  
Erdeen Zimmerlee  
George Dooley  
Kimberly Ann McClernan  
Danny Winans

## **February 18**

### **Birthdays:**

Harriet Gano  
Marie Wilcox  
Nancy Poole  
Kimberly Wood  
Allison Newton  
Payton Forrest

## **February 19**

### **Birthdays:**

Margaret McNair  
Jim Baucom  
Betsy Pesce  
Lynn Henkel

## **February 21**

### **Birthdays:**

Nancy Seibert  
Midge Sparks  
Kathleen Hahl  
Doby Rogers

## **February 22**

### **Birthdays:**

Jim Story  
Heather Edwards  
Adrienne Tyson  
Larry Smith

## **February 23**

### **Birthdays:**

Gerry McCall  
Julia Bagwell  
Amanda King

## **February 24**

### **Birthdays:**

Mary Koehn  
Laurie Walker  
Joseph Gurreri  
Cassandra Barwick

## **February 25**

### **Birthdays:**

Diane Middleton  
Michael Shytle

## **February 26**

### **Birthdays:**

Tim McVaugh

## **February 27**

### **Birthdays:**


Peter Lee  
George Matthews Jr

## **February 28**

### **Birthdays:**

Dallas Bracey  
Sharon Terry  
Deb Starnes  
Terry Frink

# February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 <i>Worship Serv</i> 8, 9:30, 11 9:30 SS <i>Classes</i></p> <p>5 <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Ens.</i></p> <p>5:30 UMYF</p> <p>7 AA</p>	<p>2 10 Yoga 11 SBL Gp 12 AI Anon 1:15 Disc. I 3:30 Straighten up 6 Financial Peace 6:30 Boy Scouts &amp; UMM</p>	<p>3 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Fd Pantry &amp; Staff Mtg. &amp; Christianity Fam. Tree 1 UMW Missions 1:30 Worship Mtg 5 Comm. Mtg 6 Stephen Ministers 6:30 Divorce Care &amp; Sharing God's Word</p>	<p>4 9 Disciple II 10 Christ. Art &amp; G- parent Sup. &amp; God of Possible 12 Stephen Leaders 2:30 Living w/ Grief 3 Tutoring 4:30 Joyful Noise 5:30 Jubilee Bells 6:30 Spiritual Gifts, Deuteronomy &amp; Praise Team</p>	<p>5 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Staff Mtg 4 Lay Leaders 5:30 AI Anon 6 Sanctuary Choirs 6:30 CA</p>	<p>6 10 Yoga</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 <i>Worship Serv</i> 8, 9:30, 11 9:30 SS <i>Classes</i></p> <p>5 <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Ens.</i></p> <p>5:30 UMYF</p> <p>7 AA</p>	<p>9 10 Yoga 11 SBL Gp 12 AI Anon 1:15 Disc. I 3:30 Straighten up 6 Financial Peace 6:30 Boy Scouts 7 Outreach &amp; Trustees</p>	<p>10 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Fd Pantry &amp; Staff Mtg. 1:30 Worship Mtg 5 Classical Ens. 6:30 Divorce Care</p>	<p>11 9 Disciple II 10 Christ. Art &amp; G- parent Sup. &amp; God of Possible 2:30 Living w/ Grief 3 Tutoring 4:30 Joyful Noise 5:30 Jubilee Bells 6:30 Spiritual Gifts, Deuteronomy &amp; Praise Team</p>	<p>12 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Staff Mtg 1:30 Stroke Survivors 4 Perm End. 5 Chili Cook off 5:30 AI Anon 6 Sanctuary Choirs 6:30 CA</p>	<p>13 10 Yoga 1:30 Grief/ Share</p>	<p>14 9 Prayer Warriors  4 Carolina Masters Chorale</p> 
<p>15 <i>Worship Serv</i> 8, 9:30, 11 9:30 SS <i>Classes</i></p> <p>5 <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Ens.</i></p> <p>5:30 UMYF</p> <p>7 AA</p>	<p>16 10 Yoga 11a SBL Gp 12 AI Anon 1 Shell Seekers Bk &amp; Disciple I 3:30 Straighten up 4:30 Girl Scouts 6 Outreach 6:30 Boy Scouts 7 Trustees</p>	<p>17 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Fd Pantry &amp; Staff Mtg, BFA Financial Mtg &amp; Christianity's Fam Tree 1:30 Worship Plan 5 Pancake Supper 6:30 Divorce Care &amp; Sharing God's Word</p>	<p>18 9 Disciple II 10 Christ. Art &amp; G-parent Support, God of Possible 1 Living w/Grief 3 Tutoring &amp; Health/Wellness 7 Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>19 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Staff Mtg &amp; BFA Financial, Timeless Treas. 1:30 Alzheimer's 5:30 AI Anon 6 Sanctuary Choir 6:30 CA 7 Men's Seaside</p>	<p>20 10 Yoga 1:30 Grief/ Share</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 <i>Worship Serv</i> 8, 9:30 &amp; 11 9:30 SS <i>Classes</i></p> <p>5 <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Ens</i></p> <p>5:30 UMYF</p> <p>7 AA</p>	<p>23 10 Yoga 11 SBL Gp 12 AI Anon 1:15 Disciple I 3:30p Straighten up 4:30 Girl Scouts 6 Financial Peace 6:30 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>24 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Fd Pantry &amp; Staff Mtg, &amp; Christianity Fam Tree &amp; BFA Fin. 1:30p Worship Plan. 6 Classical Ens 6:30p Divorce Care</p>	<p>25 9 Disciple II 10 Christ. Art &amp; G-parent Support, God of Possibilities 1 Stephen Leader 3 Tutoring 4:30 Joyful Noise 5:30 Jubilee Bells 6:30 Spiritual Gifts, Deuteronomy &amp; Praise Team</p>	<p>26 8 Blood Drive 9 &amp; 5 GED 10 Staff Mtg &amp; BFA Mtg 5:30 AI Anon 6 Sanctuary Choirs 6:30 CA</p>	<p>27 10 Yoga 1:30 Grief/ Share</p>	<p>28</p>

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