



# *Hanging of the Greens*

8 & 11 am Sanctuary, Dec. 3rd

The Beacon December 2 & 3, 2017

# Welcome to Shalimar UMC

We are so glad you've chosen to worship with us this week! Hearing assistance devices are available for the Sanctuary. Please see an usher to obtain these aids.

Enjoy fellowship, coffee, and snacks in the Family Life Center Gym between worship services.

## Our Vision

Christ-centered, multigenerational, family and community relevant ministries through worship, discipleship, and mission.

## Our Mission

**REACH, TEACH, and SEND**

We **REACH** out to our congregation, community, and the world to **TEACH** the word of God as provided in the Holy Scripture, and **SEND** our members and missionaries to be witnesses to God's grace and His promise of eternal life to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

## Worship Services

### Break Free

Our Saturday evening service begins at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center opening with a gathering and fellowship time at 5:30 pm. This transformational service involves modern music, multimedia, and a style of preaching that is practical and participatory.

### Traditions

At 8:00 and 11:00 am Sunday mornings in the Sanctuary we celebrate through the rich traditions of our faith such as hymns led by organ and piano, seasonal vestments, and traditional Methodist liturgy. Our Chancel Choir leads the 11:00 service.

### Connect

At 9:30 Sunday mornings in the Sanctuary we engage in a four-fold service of gathering praise, service of the Word, Holy Communion with candle stations for prayer, and sending forth. The music is a blend of contemporary praise songs and upbeat hymns.

### Freedom

At 11:07 Sunday mornings in the Family Life Center Gym we worship through modern music, multimedia, and a teaching style message in a non-traditional atmosphere. We come to God as we are to experience the freedom of not having to stay that way.

# Poinsettia Project—Our Military Ministry



Our Military Ministry appreciates your support. Shalimar UMC began as a church plant as an outreach to the military community of Ftort Walton Beach. We are located near Eglin AFB, Hurlburt Field, Duke Field, and the Bob Hope Enlisted Village. Many in our congregation are retired or active duty military. So it did not



surprise us when God laid upon our hearts the need to be more intentional in our ministry to the military community. We began asking ourselves questions: What are the unmet needs of our active duty military personnel and their families? How can we serve those who are no longer serving? How are we uniquely positioned to do God's work in this military setting?

As we asked these questions, it became clear to us that family support was a major unmet need. Fortunately, we were already doing many things that could neatly dovetail with a ministry to the military. We have children's ministry, small groups, men and women's ministries, pastoral care, and much more. By having a separate ministry team that could focus on the particular needs of the military community, we were able to take advantage of what we were already doing and offer more to meet their needs.

Under the leadership of Kathie Sheperd, we have developed a section of our library to address the needs of service men and women and their families. We made Bibles, devotionals, and other resources available to them. We have a military family support group that meets Sunday afternoons. We work with the Blue Star Mothers in their support of the troops, and this year we are preparing 350 care packages to send to deployed men and women. We had booths at mission fairs and military appreciation events, and a special presentation to the community to raise awareness of the need for PTSD support. As we grow this ministry, we do not yet have it funded in our church budget, so your support through the Poinsettia Project is greatly appreciated.



# Traditions Worship Service

Prelude	<i>All Hail King Jesus</i>	Mary Jo Horner
Community Life and Celebrations		Rev. Faith Parry
Call to Worship		Rev. Brian Dale
Opening Hymn, No. 234	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	
Prayer		Rev. Brian Dale
The Meaning of the Service	<i>The Lord Our Righteousness</i> Jeremiah 23:5-6	Dr. Philip McVay
Advent Candle Lighting		*Nancy Kahrs **Scott and Kappy Smith
Hymn No. 246	<i>Joy to the World</i>	
Litany of Advent		Rev. Faith Parry
Hymn No. 211	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	
The Paraments and Advent Colors		Rev. Brian Dale
	Luke 2:29-35	
The Christmas Poinsetta		*Rev. Faith Parry **Rev. Brian Dale
The Nativity	Luke 2:4-6	Dr. Philip McVay
Hymn No. 219	<i>What Child is This</i>	
The Sanctuary Evergreens	Isaiah 9:6-7	*Rev. Faith Parry **Rev. Brian Dale
Music Message	<i>He Shall Reign Forevermore</i> <i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	*Ben Savage **Chancel Choir
Offertory Prayer		Dr. Philip McVay
Worship with God's Tithes and Our Offerings		Lighthouse
	<i>And On Earth, Peace</i>	
Doxology		Hymn No. 95
The Gifts of Christmas	Matthew 2:11	Rev. Brian Dale
Hymn No. 217	<i>Away in a Manger</i>	
Lighting of the Chrismon Tree	John 1:1-5, 9-14	*Rev. Faith Parry **Rev. Brian Dale

Homily	<i>Advent Conspiracy - Spend Less</i>	Dr. Philip McVay
The Advent Prayer		Dr. Philip McVay
Hymn of Response	<i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>	Hymn No. 196
Dismissal		Dr. Philip McVay
Closing Song	<i>Joy to the World</i>	Hymn No. 246
Postlude		Mary Jo Horner and Joel Lane
		*8:00 **11:00 Service





**Collection**  
**Sunday: Dec. 3rd**

The first Sunday of each month is food collection time for Sharing & Caring and monetary collection for our discretionary fund through the Communion

Collection boxes are in the Narthex and FLC. Thank you for donating!

**After Hours Emergency  
Pastoral Assistance:**

Dr. Philip McVay (850) 607-1133  
 Rev. Brian Dale (404) 597-6242  
 Rev. Faith Parry (850) 420-9888

**Text to Give**  
**850-203-3057**

**Ministerial Staff**

**Dr. Philip McVay - Lead Pastor**

Rev. Brian Dale.....	Executive Pastor
Rev. Faith Parry.....	Connection Pastor
Dr. Brad Bradford.....	Worship Pastor
Ben Savage.....	Worship Ministries Associate
Karen Jadin.....	Preschool Director
Susan McLain.....	Children's Director
Kim Margold.....	Program Director
Jonathan Lefler.....	Youth Director

# Philip's Focus

## “Awakening is Coming New Year's Day 2018”

2017 is winding down and 2018 will be here soon. Thank goodness Advent is here to help us finish one year strong at the manger of the New Born King Jesus. What about beginning strong with the New Year 2018? I have a special invitation for our congregation.

Last August, I had a vision for our congregation. In a time of prayer for three days, God placed on my heart asking the congregation to go deeper in prayer by fasting. (We had such a wonderful time of growth in prayer when we read *The Circle Maker* by Mark Batterson together last Spring.) This would be like step two of our prayer as a congregation together.

The vision became clearer to me to engage in a couple of steps. Instead of inviting our congregation as a whole to begin praying and fasting together I would start with a smaller number. After all we are a mainline protestant denomination and going from 0-70 mph on fasting might be too fast. Instead, I felt led to invite a group of about 40 people to go through *Awakening* study on prayer and fasting together as a primer for the entire congregation. Then the next step would be inviting the entire congregation to participate as a commitment for the New Year 2018.

We did not have 40 people participate in the 21 days of Prayer and Fasting. We had closer to 50 people reading the book of *Awakening*, as they prayed and fasted. Not only did the first part of the vision come true but also God raised up a partner to help me lead this group Dallas Gray. (Ironically Dallas and I had not gotten along so well two years ago and God used prayer and fasting to partner together.) God also prepared the hearts of our pastors and staff to offer the 21 days of prayer and fasting to begin 2018.

So here we are 30 days away from what could be a time of Awakening for our congregation and I would like to invite everyone to participate the first 21 days of the New Year. *Awakening* will be the subject of our sermon series and also the addition of a radical step. Shalimar UMC will begin the New Year with 21 days of worship, prayer, and fasting. We hope you will plan to join us for an unforgettable 21 days.

These 21 days of prayer and worship will be January 1-21. On January 1, we will worship at 9:00 am. The rest of the weekdays we will begin at 6:00 am so that everyone can worship before they go to work. The Saturdays of January 6, 13, and 20 we will begin at 9:00 am. Sundays will include our normal worship schedule. My vision is that during these 21 days, an unbelievable number of people will participate, pray, fast, and our worship will be a daily highlight!

The *Awakening* book will be available for all in our congregation. In these 21 days we will be reading together the book by Stovall Weems. The book also includes a 21 day devotional and menu plan for prayer and fasting. The book is easy to follow, offers practical teaching, and is inspirational in knowing more about the spiritual discipline of fasting. A 21 day fast is about eating more healthy and leaving off some things to make more room for God. This kind of fasting is not about a mourning and a sackcloth but rather making more room for God and awakening to His presence in our lives.

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Awakening will engage us in three ways. First, for those who seek to be awakened to God for the first time. Second, to awaken those who have drifted away from the Lord to return to the Lord. Third, to awaken those walking with the Lord to new possibilities.

Imagine everyone in our congregation going through an awakening the first 21 days of the year! Our church would be awakened as a whole body together! Only the Lord knows where all this stirring of the the Spirit could take us and lead us as a church!

Shalom,  
Philip

**Dr. Philip McVay, Lead Pastor**  
[philip@shalimar-umc.org](mailto:philip@shalimar-umc.org)



**Fellowship DINNER**  ADULTS \$6.50  
KIDS (3-10) \$3.00  
MAX \$25 PER HOUSEHOLD

WEDNESDAYS • 5-6 PM

**ENTREE:** Spaghetti  
**SALAD OPTION:** Cobb  
**KID OPTION:** Chicken Fingers



RSVP ON COMMUNICATION CARD OR CALL 651-0721 BY NOON ON WEDNESDAYS

**NEXT STEPS**

Sunday, Dec. 17th | 12:30 pm | FLC Rm 106

**Lunch is our treat!**

Join us for an informal gathering for those who want to see who they are, what we believe, and what your Next Step might be. Whether you're new to Shalimar UMC or you've been attending awhile.

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Visit us online:  
[shalimar-umc.org](http://shalimar-umc.org)

# Serving Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017

Altar Care.....	Sandy Kocanowski
Connection Table.....	9:00 Linda Bridges, Wendy Kidd 10:30 Denise Heath
Flower Delivery.....	Tom & Betty Goodwin
Greeters.....	8:00 Jo Scott, Tom Alexander 11:00 Jim & Amanda Harris
Pew Care.....	Angie Goodpaster
Prayer Room.....	8:00 Russ & Polly Schambeau 9:30 & 11:00 James Brantley
Sorters.....	8:00 J.D. Peacock, Tom Alexander 9:30 Becky McMillin, 11:00 Beth Russell, Bruce Smith 11:07 Lloyd Moon, Ron Garriga
Ushers.....	8:00 Bill Byerley, John Matyac, J.D. Peacock, Trimbe Perry 9:30 Rod & Becky McMillin, Mike McMain, Linda Evanchyk 11:00 Michael Qualls, Elaine Richardson, Duke Pope, Jerry Trammater
Westwood Van Driver.....	Brandi Romero

## Park & Ride



### Members & Regulars:

Please consider using the shuttle during this busy season at SUMC, to allow visitors to park in our main lot. Shuttles begin at 9:00 am and continue until last run at 12:30 pm.

Thank you!

A snowman wearing a red hat and scarf, with musical notes floating above it on a beach background. The snowman has a carrot nose and is positioned on the left side of the image. The background shows a beach with waves and sand.

*Jingle Bell Beach*

performed by the  
**SUMC Children's Choirs**

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Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> | 6 pm | Family Life Center



# SANTA'S WORKSHOP

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**9 am - 12 pm**  
**Family Life Center**

More info contact Lisa at [lisa.burkett@cox.net](mailto:lisa.burkett@cox.net)



Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am  
9:30 am  
11:00 am

*How Should A*  
**KING  
COME**

*Featuring the*  
*Chancel Choir & Orchestra*

**We are having 8 Worship Services**  
**on Christmas Eve!**

**Volunteers needed at ALL services.**



**Mark "Service Opportunities" on Communication Card**



## TODAY'S SERMON NOTES:

Not in a group or class? Check these out!  
[shalimar-umc.org/groups](http://shalimar-umc.org/groups)  
or pick up a Places to Grow flyer at the Connection Table in the FLC.



## Altar Flowers



The flowers placed in the Sanctuary today  
are given to the Glory of God.

*In memory of Annita F. Hays on her birthday, December 7th.*

*-Love, Sandra & Yogi*

*With love to Jon Sheperd-happy birthday, December 8th.*

*~ From Jon's family.*

## This Week's Guide for Groups & Individuals

Have you ever felt like you were trying to worship, but your heart just wasn't in it? Or maybe, you tried to make it look like you were worshiping because you didn't want anyone to think negatively of you. Pretending to worship may fool the person sitting next to you, but God knows our hearts and minds.

On the flip side, how many times in worship do you look around you to see what other people are doing? Do you look around to see if people are listening? One of my fellow pastors, to go unnamed, asked me this week about being on my phone during worship. He assumed that I was texting someone. Sometimes I am as my family is preparing for worship something urgent might come in. Usually, though, I am getting down things said during service that I want to store. That's right; I take down sermon notes too.

My point in this is for us to reflect on ourselves in the moment of worship and realize we all worship differently. The key is that we are worshipping authentically before God.

Our passage this week, that Pastor Brian and myself are preaching from, is about King Herod, who lied saying he wanted to worship Jesus when he really wanted to preserve his power. Spend some time reflecting on your own worship practices and how you can be more focused on God instead of what others think or what others are doing.

Things for Thought:

1. Where is my focus when I worship?
2. Are there things that distract me? What causes the distraction?
3. Am I allowing others to pull me away from God?

Ask God to show you ways you can become more engaged this week.

For more to think about, visit [www.faithparry.com](http://www.faithparry.com)

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## Pastor's Class

Join us in FLC Room 106 each  
Wednesday, at 6:00 pm



PREPARE FOR  
CHRIST

Advent

December 2  
Youth Choir Concert  
"What a Beautiful Name"  
6:00 pm - Family Life Center

December 3  
Hanging of the Greens  
1st Day of Advent  
8:00 & 11:00 am - Sanctuary

December 3  
Youth Choir Concert  
"What a Beautiful Name"  
9:30 am - Family Life Center  
11:07 - Family Life Center

December 3  
Children's Choir Christmas Musical  
"Jingle Bell Beach"  
6:00 pm - Family Life Center

December 9  
Santa's Workshop  
9 am - 12 pm - Family Life Center

December 10  
Chancel Choir & Orchestra Concert  
"How Should a King Come?"  
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am - Sanctuary

December 23 & 24  
Regular Services  
Dec 23  
6 pm - Family Life Center  
Dec 24  
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am - Sanctuary  
11:07 am - Family Life Center

December 24  
Christmas Eve Services  
All services include Holy Communion  
3:00 pm - Led by Kidz Ministry - Sanctuary  
5:00 pm - Featuring Youth Choir - Sanctuary  
7:00 pm - Featuring Chancel Choir - Sanctuary  
11:07 pm - Freedom Candlelight - Family Life Center

SUMC KIDZ Ministry Event:

# ROCKATHON

DECEMBER 8 6PM - 9PM in the FLC

MONEY COLLECTED GOES TO OUR ADOPT A FAMILY

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade **ONLY**

MINIMUM PLEDGE TO GET IN: \$25

Wear your PJ's as we play games,  
Watch a movie, eat pizza, make crafts  
**WHILE WE ROCK!**

It's a great night of Rockin' FUN!

PICK UP REGISTRATION FORM AT  
SUMC KIDZ MINISTRY CHECK IN STATION



KIDZ CHOIR & FISH FACTORY PARTY  
SUNDAY, DEC. 10 4:30PM - 6PM FLC  
WEAR YOUR PJ'S

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS



A NIGHT OUT FOR PARENTS! A NIGHT OF FUN FOR KIDZ!

# KIDZ NITE OUT

FRIDAY, DEC 15  
6-10 PM

Who: KINDER-5TH GRADE  
Cost: \$20  
(sibling discounts)

EMAIL/TEXT/CALL MISS SUSAN  
BY NOON FRIDAY, DEC 15:  
CHILDREN@SHALIMAR-UMC.ORG  
OR 598-6683

WE WILL HAVE FREE PLAY, GLOW IN THE DARK  
GAMES, CRAFTS, PIZZA, SODA, AND ICE CREAM

# BREAK FREE

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE @ 6PM

Every Saturday Night  
6 pm | Family Life Center

*A transformational worship service*



## MILITARY FELLOWSHIP UPDATE CARE Packages for Deployed Troops this Christmas!

SUMC is collecting care package items to send to the military. Local Blue Star Mothers will be assembling 350 care packages to support overseas troops this Christmas (in 60+ countries).

### Collection bin in FLC entry hall. Donations needed by Dec 5th:

Travel size toiletries (shampoo, soap, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, wipes, hand sanitizer, Q-tips), lip balms, eye drops, sunblock. Individual servings of (powdered drink mixes/flavors that can be added to water, hot chocolate, packs of nuts, jerky, Slim Jims, cookies, granola bars, gum, Lifesavers), inflatable pillows, mesh laundry bags, writing material, games, movies, CDs, cards, foot powder, Dr Scholls Moleskin, Gel Sole inserts, band aids, insect repellent spray, disposable razors/men & women, tube socks, cheery hand towels.

POC: Deb Hutto or Kathie Sheperd

## Attendance, Nov. 25 & 26

6:00 pm service	29	11:07 am service	211
8:00 am service	125	Livestream	56
9:30 am service	88		
11:00 am service	181	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>690</b>

## Iona Salter Circle

The Iona Salter Circle will meet on Thursday, December 7, 11:30 am at the Ramada Inn on the island for their Christmas gathering. Presents are not to be over \$10.00 and presents are not mandatory.



To add someone to the prayer chain please email [prayer@shalimar-umc.org](mailto:prayer@shalimar-umc.org) or contact the SUMC church office at 651-0721. If you would like to receive the prayer requests through email, please call the church office, 651-0721 or email [patbrantley@cox.net](mailto:patbrantley@cox.net). A printed copy of our church family's prayer concerns is available each Sunday in the Narthex and FLC Lobby. If you'd like to start receiving the Prayer List via email, please select it on the Communication Card inside the Beacon.



## Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is always available for your use. **The code to enter is 4125.** On Sunday mornings, after every service, someone will be in the Prayer Room to pray with you, if you would like. They will not bother you if you would like time to yourself. There are prayer shawls available for your use as well. A Prayer Box and Prayer Cards are available for you to leave a prayer request for the Pastors and/or Prayer Team to pray for you or a situation you would like lifted up. There have been great reports of use for this special place.

## Prayer Ministry

Please contact the church office, 651-0721, if you are interested in becoming involved in one of the following Prayer Ministries.

- Prayer Group - meets weekly to share praises and intercessory prayer for people listed on the Prayer list (both church and personal list).
- Prayer Room Attendant - Volunteer to pray with those who come to the Prayer Room after each worship service on Sunday morning.
- Praying in the Prayer Room during each of the worship services on Sunday morning.
- Pray for special church functions and events.
- Participate on the Prayer Chain and Prayer Link (if you're not already.)





Pete Peter [fpeters1@cox.net](mailto:fpeters1@cox.net)  
Michelle Carmical [carmical@cox.net](mailto:carmical@cox.net)



The folks at Fresh Start have a special reason to be thankful this season. Fresh Start was one of four non-profits competitively selected by Impact 100 for a \$100K grant. The grant will fund the creation of an outdoor Family Recreation and Training Center on an adjacent vacant lot. Currently, the only grass on the Fresh

Start campus is the four storm water retention ponds. The only playground for the 20 or so children is the busy parking lot. The grant money completes the funding needed to create separated playgrounds for toddlers and school-age kids centered in an oval tricycle/walking path, all encompassed by a privacy fence on which will be mounted planter boxes for the kids to experience planting and growing crops. A building with an open porch will provide a shady shelter for parents to supervise the kids at play. It will also serve as a classroom for tutoring and adult Life Skills Training, freeing up the current meeting space for staff activities. It was in part the many donations of time, talent, and treasure from SUMC members that allowed the Fresh Start program to grow so rapidly that it way outgrew its facilities. The new Family Center, once built, will provide our adults and teens with several more opportunities to work directly with the Fresh Start clients.

## Friendship Club

Join Us!



### December Monthly Meeting

The Tuesday Dec. 12th, **11:15 (note early start time)** meeting will feature the Shalimar UMC Preschool children presenting their Christmas Music Program followed by Jerry Hollis leading the group singing Christmas Carols. Lunch cost \$6.50, provided by the Chef. Call the church office for reservations by noon, Monday, Dec. 11th.


For additional information please contact Pastor Brian, 651-0721, Ollie Fay Flint, 651-2360, Betty Stewart, 243-5551, or Jon & Kathie Sheperd, 651-8008.

## Places to Serve Online Volunteer Form

Go to [Shalimar-umc.org](http://Shalimar-umc.org), click on Get Connected tab, then on Place to Serve



# Merge Young Adults

Michelle Carmical - Lead Facilitator | 850-217-0391  Shalimar UMC Merge



Merge 1 College & Career (ages 18-23)  
Merge 2 Young Adult group (age 23-30 and beyond)  
Thursdays | 6:30-8:00 pm

**BOTH MERGE GROUPS** and all **BIG** events meet together at #10 2nd St (behind the church in the house with a UMC flame on the garage).



It's likely you have a giant in your life that is holding you captive, intimidating you, and stealing your joy. Adversaries like fear, rejection, comfort, anger, and addiction stake a claim and gain a foothold in your heart. In this seven-day reading plan, Louie Giglio examines the David and Goliath story to show how those giants can fall: by focusing on the size of our God, not the height of your giants, and by walking in the victory Jesus has already won.

## Room Reservations

If you are meeting without a reservation, you may be displaced due to the new Lenten Small Groups forming. All groups meeting on the church campus must reserve a room through the church office. Call Darla 651-0721 or email [darla@shalimar-umc.org](mailto:darla@shalimar-umc.org).



\$80K

HELP US REACH OUR  
**GOAL**

PLAYGROUND OFFERING

Please mark "Playground" on your contribution.



Jonathan Lefler - Youth Director  
307-689-6545 | youth@shalimar-umc.org



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**FUSION Shalimar UMC Youth**

## **NEW PARENT TEXTING LINE**

Text @fusionsumc to #81010

## **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL Dec. 3rd**

Join us in the FLC in support of the Youth Choir

## **FUSION Dec. 3rd | 6:30-8:00**

### **MOVIE NIGHT - Elf**

Courtyard

## **Wednesday- Small Groups, Dec. 6th**

6:30-8:00 Youth Rooms

## **FUSION Dec. 10th | 6:30-8:00**

### **Christmas Onesie or PJ Night**

## **MELTDOWN - Jan. 26-28, 2018**

COST - \$150

## **one + ONE Singles**

Please come join us every Monday night at 6:00 pm, at #10 Second St. for a lot of good fun, fellowship, and different activities. A monthly calendar with detailed activities is available at the FLC Connection Table. If you are 50+, single, and looking for a Christian environment, please come and join our group. Bring a friend. All are welcome from SUMC and the community.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 9:30-10:30 am for 4 year olds-5th grade in courtyard rooms.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** NO Children's Church Sunday, Dec. 3rd.

**SUNDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES:** 4:30-6:30 for kids Kinder-5th grade.

**Fish Factory & Snack Supper:** NO program on Sunday, Dec. 3rd due to the Children's choir musical *Jingle Bell Beach*. Please join us at 6:00 pm in the FLC.

**Kidz Choir:** Please remember to listen to your CD's and make sure you are practicing your parts for the musical *Jingle Bell Beach*. Musical rehearsal is Saturday, December 2nd - all must be there! 9:00 am-noon-lunch provided. Musical is 6:00 pm, Sunday, Dec. 3rd in the FLC. Come support our Kidz choir. Parents: please bring 2 dozen cookies.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASSES:** 6:00-8:00 pm for Kinder-5th grade. On Wednesday, Dec. 13th, we will have a Christmas party with games, crafts and snacks! We will not have any classes on Dec. 20th, 27th, or Jan. 3rd. Classes resume Wednesday, Jan. 10th.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**ROCKATHON:** Friday, Dec. 8th from 6:00-9:00 pm in FLC Room 106, for all kids 3rd-5th grade only. Grab a flyer/registration form to get pledges. Must have \$25 in pledges to come to Rockathon. We will wear our PJ's, play games, make crafts, eat pizza, drink soda, and watch a Bible video story about the birth of Jesus! Bring a rocking chair if you have one! It's going to be a great night of ROCKin' fun! All monies collected go to Shalimar Elementary School.

**KIDZ NITE OUT:** Friday, Dec. 15th 6:00-10:00 pm. For all kids kinder-5th grade only. Makes a great night of shopping for parents or date nite! Cost: \$20 per child, sibling discounts available. Register by noon Friday, Dec. 15th. Email, call, text, or use REMIND app to Miss Susan.

All monies collected will go to the new playground here at SUMC!

**BLUE LAKE WINTER RETREAT:** 3rd-5th grades only. Dates: Fri., Feb. 2, 2018-Sun., Feb. 4, 2018. Register online at [bluelakecamp.com](http://bluelakecamp.com), get a registration packet from KIDZ CHECK IN STATION, or see Miss Susan. Cost: \$115 per child before Dec. 15, after cost is \$125 per child. Deadline: Jan.10, 2018.



# Weekly Schedule

**Sunday, Dec. 3rd**

## Worship Times

Traditions Worship..... 8 & 11 am  
Connect Service ..... 9:30 am  
Freedom Service..... 11:07 am

Freedom Band Rehearsal ..... 8:00 am  
Brk/Free Life Group ..... 9:30 am  
Sunday School for all ages..... 9:30 am  
MERGE Young Adults.....10:00 am  
Little Buddies .....10:45 am  
Youth Band Rehearsal..... 2:30 pm  
Military Family Group .....4:30 pm  
Children's Choir Perform..... 6:00 pm

After School Care

Mon.–Fri. 2:00–5:30 pm

**Monday, Dec. 4th**

Threads of Love Group ..... 2:00 pm  
Connect Team Rehearsal..... 5:30 pm  
Alanon II ..... 6:00 pm  
Lighthouse Rehearsal ..... 6:00 pm  
One + ONE Singles..... 6:00 pm  
Security Ministry Team..... 6:30 pm  
Emerald Coast Pops..... 7:15 pm

**Tuesday, Dec. 5th**

Emmaus Meeting..... 5:30 pm  
Joy Ringers Bell Choir ..... 5:30 pm  
Youth Band Rehearsal..... 5:30 pm  
Journeyman Workshop ..... 6:00 pm  
Prayer Group..... 6:00 pm

**Wednesday, Dec. 6th**

Splash of Joy #1 & #2..... 9:30 am  
Faith Backpack..... 3:00 pm  
Fellowship Dinner..... 5:00 pm  
Disciple 4 ..... 6:00 pm  
Gloryland Ensemble ..... 6:00 pm  
Kidz JAM, PB&J, BLT..... 6:00 pm  
Orchestra Rehearsal..... 6:00 pm  
Pastor's Class..... 6:00 pm  
Rejoice ..... 6:00 pm  
Youth Leaders Meeting..... 6:00 pm  
PULSE–Youth..... 6:30 pm  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal ..... 7:00 pm

**Thursday, Dec. 7th**

MOPS Steering Committee..... 9:15 am  
Freedom/Break Free Groups 6:00 pm  
Merge Young Adults..... 6:30 pm  
Stephen Ministry Supv ..... 6:30 pm  
Emerald Coast Barbershop .... 7:00 pm

**Friday, Dec. 8th**

Children's Rockathon..... 6:00 pm  
Santa's Workshop Set Up ..... 6:00 pm

**Saturday, Dec. 9th**

**Worship Time**

Break Free Service ..... 6:00 pm  
Santa's Workshop ..... 9:00 am  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal ..... 10:00 am  
Break Free Band Rehearsal .... 4:00 pm



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