# The Beacon January 6 & 7, 2018



# 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.

# Traditions Worship Service

Prelude	Joel Lane	
Community Life and Ce	*Rev. Faith Parry **Rev. Brian Dale	
Awakening Call to Wors	ship	
Hymn of Praise	All Creatures of Our God and King	Hymn No. 62
Affirmation of Faith		Hymn No. 881
Gloria Patri		Hymn No. 70
Morning Prayer		Rev. Brian Dale
Testimony		Becky Carter
**Music Message	Honor, Glorified, Exalted	Chancel Choir
Offertory Hymn	Spirit of the Living God	Hymn No. 393
Offertory Prayer		Dr. Brad Bradford
Giving of God's Tithes a	nd Our Offerings Still the Greatest Story Ever Told	Lighthouse
Doxology		Hymn No. 95
Scripture Presentation	1 Kings 18:36-39, Hebrews 4:16	
Sermon		Dr. Philip McVay
Holy Communion		
Hymn of Response	Amazing Grace	Hymn No. 378
Closing Prayer		Dr. Philip McVay
Closing Song	Amazing Grace	
Postlude		Joel Lane
		*8:00, **11:00 Service

No Children's Church on Communion Sunday

Epiphany Sunday Parament color-white

# Serving Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018

Altar Care	Nicole Kiser, Blake Archer Pat BrantleyPat Brantley
Communion Servers	9:30 Denise Bowen, Barbara Zipfel, Rod & Becky McMillin
	8:00 Kathy Little, Jan Staggs
Pew Care	Pat Brantley
Prayer Room	
Sorters	9:30 & 11:00 James Brantley 
	Melanie Schenck, Jae Kim, 11:07 Brett Latham, Mark Wilson
	an Cooper, Sandy Kocanowski, John Patterson, Frank Brooks 
	11:00 Terry Rowe, Lenton Hill, Chatt Johnson, Allen Weston
Westwood Van Driver	Steven Cardinez

# Sharing & Caring

The first Sunday of *each month is food collection time for Sharing & Caring. Collection boxes* are in the Narthex and Family Life Center. Please remember to bring your contributions Sunday, Jan 7th

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	
Karen Jadin	Preschool Director
Dawn Rozofsky, Jen Leibold	Interim Children's Co-Directors
Kim Margold	Program Director
Jonathan Lefler	



# Altar Flowers



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

*In loving memory of Luke Savini on his birthday.* ~Grandma Susie and Grandpa Bob

In celebration of our 23rd wedding anniversary on January 2nd. ~Larry & Ann Shingler

Flower bouquet and rose reservation book located in Narthex or contact the church office at 651-0721. Bouquets \$40 each / Roses \$4 each.

# Christmas Decoration Take Down

Let's get together to un-decorate the campus! Immediately following 11:00/11:07 worship services. this Sunday, January 7th



ENTREE: Chef Carved Roast Beef, White Bean Medley w/Dill Carrots

SALAD OPTION: Spinach KID OPTION: Hot Dogs

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



Sunday, Jan. 21st | 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.

## Good Things Happening at Shalimar UMC as We Begin 2018

We begin 2018 with wonderful happenings going on throughout our church! Our 21 days of worship, prayer, and fasting are off to a great start! We finished 2017 on a very high note. We look forward with hope to God's leading in the New Year 2018!

Our 21 days of worship have begun this week. The 6:00 am services have been well attended even in the bitter cold this week. The energy and inspiration for these services has been phenomenal. One of the highlights has been beginning each day with a witness from one of our lay people. What powerful and transformational witnesses we are hearing! We also appreciate a wonderful praise team providing inspiring and uplifting music for these early hours of worship!

From all indications, many in our congregation have begun the year with prayer and fasting. We have given out hundreds of copies of the book *Awakening* by Stovall Weems. This book that includes a 21-day devotional plan is still available for any who need one. The sermon series for January will also be Awakening.

The year-end brought over 1800 worshippers through the doors of Shalimar UMC for Christmas Eve worship through our nine weekend worship services. Based on the information available this would be the most people in worship for one day in Shalimar's history. We not only had abundant services and people... the worship seemed to be extra inspiring for all! What an exciting way to close out our worship for the year!

We ended the 2017 year not only making budget but also a record year of giving in Shalimar UMC history. We also had a record month for December. This is the second year in a row giving exceeded the budget. Thanks be to God for His faithfulness and blessings! Thank you for your generosity. And speaking of generosity, you will want to read Brian Dale's article with exciting news regarding the new playground fund.

We are now into 2018! Our church will be prayerfully making plans for the future. The Master Planning Committee has selected Quina Grundhoefer Architects of Pensacola to provide a master plan for our campus. This planning will be a major initiative for our church in 2018! The impact of this planning could reach well into the future for decades to come. Please keep this planning in your prayers.

We thank God for all the blessings He is providing for Shalimar UMC. Happy New Year!

Shalom, Philip



Dr. Philip McVay, Lead Pastor philip@shalimar-umc.org



## MILITARY FAMILY GROUP 2018 Schedule

## Wednesdays | 6:00 PM

-New 9-week series begins January 10th *Heroes at Home* by Ellie Kay -For all who are connected to someone

in the military

Children's programs available & nursery

For more info call Jeanne Racquier @ 850-362-7271 or Deb Hutto @ 850-240-2564

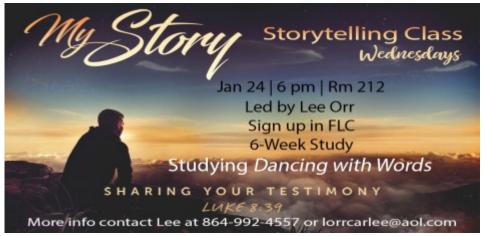
# Bible 101—Getting to Know the Word



Have you decided to read the Bible more this year, but the thought of it scares you? Have you read the Bible to find answers, only to be more confused than when you started? Does the thought of discussing the Bible with others whose opinions differ from yours make you sweat? Are there things about the Bible that concern you, like God's judgment and wrath and violence? We feel your pain.

We all know that discipleship means reading the Bible and letting it shape you. Many well-meaning Christians are reluctant, however, because they are afraid of some parts of the Bible and what it may require of them. They either shy away from serious reflection on the Bible or they pick and choose scriptures that reinforce what they already believe. Bible 101 is an opportunity to get a basic understanding of the nature and content of the Bible and to learn how to read the Bible to discern the voice of God. It is not a course-to-end-all-courses, but a launching pad for a lifetime of enjoyment and growth from reading the Bible.

Bible 101 is open to everyone, from novice to lifelong learner. Come join us! Jan. 27, 2018 | FLC Room 207 | 8:30 am - 12:00 pm



# 2018 New and Changing Classes

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

For contact information and child care details, visit Shalimar-umc.org/groups. You'll also find a full group listing. Most classes have child care available upon request. Questions, contact Pastor Faith, faith@shalimar-umc.org or 420-9888.

**Monday Evening Bible Study**: This group will gather again Jan. 22nd, 6:00-8:00 pm, to study Lysa TerKeurst's *Finding I Am*. Ralph Johnson will lead this 7-week study.

**Doing Good Well:** A 6-week Monday evening study on doing missions well. Lee Jackson will begin this study Feb. 5th, 6:00-7:00 pm using the book *Toxic Charity* by Robert Lupton.

**Tuesday Evening Men's Study:** The Journeymen guys are continuing the Men's Fraternity Study *33 The Series.* They will start Vol. 6 *A Man and His Fatherhood,* January 9th. This regular group gathers at 6:00 pm and is always open to new members.

#### Morning Women's Studies:

<u>Splash of Joy #1</u> resumes Wednesday, January 10th with *Redeemed* by Angela Thomas-Pharr from 9:30-11:30 am. All women are welcome for this 7-week study led by Sara Michaelson.

<u>Splash of Joy #2</u> resumes Wednesday, January 10th with the study *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World* by Joanna Weaver from 9:30-11:30 am. Everyone is welcome for this 10-week study led by Cathie Buckman.

**Pastor's Class on Wednesday Nights:** Pastors Philip, Faith, and Brian will continue to lead on Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Family Life Center after fellowship dinner. They will start with the book *Awakening*.

**Military Family Group:** Beginning Wednesday, January 10th. Jeanne Racquier & Deb Hutto will lead a study of *Heroes at Home* by Ellie Kay starting at 6:00 pm. All military family and friends are welcome to this 9-week series.

**Dancing With Words:** Learn how to tell your story of faith with Lee Orr. All are welcome for this six-week study on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm, beginning January 24th.

**MERGE Young Adults Thursday Evening Groups:** These groups: MERGE 1 (ages 18 -23) and MERGE 2 (ages 23-30+) are studying *Goliath Must Fall* by Louie Giglio and meet 6:30-8:30 pm with Michelle Carmical as facilitator.

GriefShare Grief Support Group: A new session of GriefShare begins Sunday, January 14th. They meet from 3:00-4:30 pm for 13-weeks. All are welcome. Let us know you are coming. continued **Financial Peace University:** Another chance to invest in the future will begin again Thursday, February 22nd. David Schmidt will lead this 9-week study meeting from 5:30-7:30 pm. Materials cost is \$100 per family for the complete study kit. Please register in advance or purchase your own kit at www.daveramsey.com.

**Bible 101–Getting to Know the Word:** Join Pastor Brian for this quarterly workshop for anyone wanting to learn more about Bible basics. All are welcome on Saturday, January 27th, 8:30–Noon in the FLC.





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## Welcome Home Mexico Missionaries

Church Family, come hear a recap of this and all of 2017 year of missions, global and local, at our next Missions meeting Tuesday, January 16th, 6:00-7:00 pm. We hope to have the hearts of all our church at the new beginning of SUMC Missions planning year.

Attention All Call-for all global and local mission leaders, please come and represent your team in our planning of the calendar for 2018.

Thank you and look forward to another great year Pete Peters and Michelle Carmical



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

# This Week's Guide for Groups & Individuals

What would you do if you were living in a non-Christian world, where the community was filled with people who used to follow God but now follow another religion? You are the last disciple of Christ left and one day God laid it on you that you were going to bring people back to him. Would you run and hide or would you face your community with boldness?

This is the situation that Elijah was in, in 1 Kings, when God sent him to face the prophets of Baal. Elijah challenged them to see who was more powerful, Baal or his God. I'm sure there was a part of him that was afraid, but he knew he had to show no fear or the enemy would use his fear to their advantage. He even goes as far as to taunt them when Baal doesn't respond to their prayers.

In our lives today, God is always calling us to step out in boldness, but many times we don't because we're afraid. We all have our own gifts, which are matched with our unique personalities. God wants us to share with others the story of who he is through the lens of who we are in Christ.

This week, pray about how you can bolden your prayers and how you can step out in faith more. Where has God been wanting to use you that you have been resisting?

Thoughts to consider:

- 1) In what ways do you think fasting could affect your relationship with God and His plans for your life?
- 2) How have you seen God working over the past week as you've been purposeful to create space for him?
- 3) What are some areas you need to seek him more in the next week?
- 4) Is there something in your life you've been holding on to that you need to release to God?

Read more thoughts at faithparry.com



Faith Parry, Associate Pastor faith@shalimar-umc.org

# We've Met Our Playground Goal!

Last September, the Trustees approved a proposal to refurbish our playground, a project that is long overdue. Through the hard work of many people involved in children's ministry, we were able to configure a new playground with modern play equipment that would meet the needs of elementary age as well as preschool age children. As our old playground has been a great space for children for over twenty years, we are confident the new playground will serve many children for years to come as well.

In October, we announced to the church that were requesting donations for this project (estimated at around \$85,000). We had many other appeals going on at that time, so it was my hope that we could begin promoting this project in earnest at the beginning of the New Year. Imagine my surprise, when donations came in that met our goal before the end of the year! God is Good!

I want to earnestly thank all the generous people who exceeded my expectations and made this possible so quickly. Your love for the Lord and your love for children is evident in your support of our Children's ministries. May God bless you as you continue to be a blessing to others. The Lord is doing great things at Shalimar, and I am excited to see what he has in store for us in 2018. Be on the lookout for the removal of trees and other work to prepare the way for the new play equipment to be installed.



Pastor's Class Join us in FLC Room 106 each Wednesday, at 6:00 pm

# Friendship Club Join US!

January, 2018 Monthly Meeting

Friendship Club will meet Tuesday, January 9, 11:30 am in the Family Life Center, for their monthly luncheon meeting. Our own J.D. Peacock, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, First Judicial Circuit, Okaloosa County, will be the featured speaker. J.D. is also Chairman of the Staff Parish Relations Committee of SUMC. His wife, Laura, will accompany him. Devotional will be presented by Jerry Hollis. Chef Heyward will provide lunch at a cost of \$6.50. Please call the church office, 651-0721, to make reservations by noon, Monday, January 8th.

Upcoming programs and trips will be presented at this meeting. For additional information, contact Pastor Brian Dale, 651-0721; Ollie Fay Flint, 651-2360; Betty Stewart, 243-5551; or Jon & Kathie Sheperd, 651-8008.

Reminder: Friendship Club is open to all who desire to join us for any meeting. Goals are to strive to enrich the lives of participants by providing opportunities for fellowship, inspiration, and information through social gatherings, travel, and community projects.

Stay Connected! Facebook: Shalimar UMC





Visit us online: shalimar-umc.org

# Attendance, Dec. 30 & 31

6:00 pm service	53
8:00 am service	133
9:30 am service	113
11:00 am service	156

11:07 am service 217 Livestream 84

TOTAL 756

# Awakening Attendance

1/1/18	Sanctuary	111	Livestream	38	TOTAL	151
1/2/18	Sanctuary	80	Livestream	24	TOTAL	104
1/3/18	Sanctuary	88	Livestream	26	TOTAL	114
1/4/18	Sanctuary	87	Livestream	32	TOTAL	119



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

SUNDAY SCHOOL Jan. 7th Meet in Youth Rooms

FUSION TONIGHT–Jan. 7th 6:30-8:00 pm FLC

Wednesday– Small Group will resume Jan. 10th 6:30-8:00 pm Youth Rooms

Blacklight Night Sun. Jan. 14th

MELTDOWN - Jan. 26-28, 2018 COST - \$150





Dawn Rozofsky, cell 850-294-2384 | Jen Leibold, cell 582-4985 Church 651-0721 | children@shalimar-umc.org



BLUE LAKE WINTER RETREAT 3rd-5th grades only Friday, Feb. 2- Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018 Cost: \$125 per child. Deadline: JANUARY 10, 2018

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30-10:30 am CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Communion Sunday, no classes.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Beginning January 10th, Kinder-5th grade (Please walk your child over to the courtyard 5:30-6:15 pm) CHILDRENS' CHOIRS 5:30-6:15 pm, meet in the courtyard FISH FACTORY BIBLE CLASSES 6:15-8:00 pm, meet in the courtyard.

Please note: You may pick up your child, if needed, anytime before 8:00 pm.

# Guide Book & Directory Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church; and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Church Office.

## Update Membership Information

- Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct?
- Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).
- It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.
- Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct.

Record updates on the Blue Communication Card or call the church office, 651-0721 by Mon. Jan. 22nd.

# Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday, Jan 7th

#### Worship Times

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

Freedom Band Rehearsal 8:00 am
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 am
MERGE Young Adults10:00 am
Little Buddies10:45 am
Y/Parent Confirmation Meet 12:15 pm
Youth Band Rehearsal4:30 pm
Youth Choir Rehearsal5:30 pm
Youth Worker's Meeting 6:00 pm
Fusion Snack Supper6:30 pm
Fusion Youth 7:00 pm

#### AFTER SCHOOL CARE Mon. - Fri. 2:00-5:30 pm

## Monday, Jan. 8th Worship Time

## Awaken to God.....6:00 am

Connect Team Rehearsal	5:30 pm
Alanon II	
Lighthouse Ensemble	6:00 pm
One + ONE	6:00 pm
Emerald Coast Pops	

## Tuesday, Jan. 9th Worship Time

#### Awaken to God.....6:00 am

Friendship Club Luncheon	11·30 am
Joy Ringers Bell Rehearsal	
Journeymen	•
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Prayer Group	
Worship Ministry Team	
Trustees Committee	7:00 pm

## Wednesday, Jan. 10th Worship Time

Awal	ken	to	God	 	 .6:00	am

Splash of Joy #1 & #2	9:30 am
Faith Backpack	
Fellowship Dinner	5:00 pm
God's Kids Choirs	5:30 pm
Youth Groups	5:30 pm
Disciple 4	6:00 pm
Gloryland Ensemble	6:00 pm
Military Family Group	6:00 pm
Orchestra Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Pastor's Class	6:00 pm
Rejoice	6:00 pm
Fish Factory	6:15 pm
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm

#### Thursday, Jan. 11th Worship Time

#### Awaken to God......6:00 am

MOPS	9:00 am
12 X 12	10:00 am
Free/Break Free Rehear	6:00 pm
Merge Young Adults	6:30 pm
Stephen Ministry Superv	6:30 pm
Emerald Coast Barbershop.	7:00 pm

#### Friday, Jan. 12th

Worship Time

Awaken to God.....6:00 am

# Saturday, Jan. 13th

worship Time	
Awaken to God	9:00 am
Break Free Service	6:00 pm

Break Free Band Rehearsal......4:00 pm

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