

The BeaconSeptember 9 & 10, 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.

Traditions Worship Service

Prelude	Great Is the Lord	Joel Lane
Community Life and Ce	elebrations	Rev. Faith Parry
Hymn of Praise	Rejoice, the Lord Is King	Hymn No. 715
Affirmation of Faith		Hymn No. 881
Gloria Patri		Hymn No. 70
Morning Prayer		Rev. Brian Dale
**Music Message	There Is a Fountain	Chancel Choir
Offertory Hymn	His Name Is Wonderful	Hymn No. 174
Offertory Prayer		Dr. Brad Bradford
Giving of God's Tithes a		Joel Lane
Doxology	All Creatures of Our God and King	Hymn No. 95
**Children's Sermon		Susan McLain
Scripture Presentation,	Exodus 3:1-14	
Sermon		Dr. Philip McVay
Hymn of Response	Freely, Freely	Hymn No. 389
Closing Prayer		Dr. Philip McVay
Closing Song	God Bless America	
Postlude		Joel Lane

Children's Church for the 11:00 and 11:07 am services, meets in these FLC Rooms: PreK-104, Kinder-105, 1st Gr-210, 2nd Gr-211, 3rd Gr-208, and 4th/5th Gr-207

**11:00 Service

14th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide Parament Color–Green

Serving Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017

Acolytes Altar Care	
Children's Church	Pre-K Stephanie Parham KINDER Mandi Blair, 1st GRADE Ed Tras
	2nd-3rd GRADE Bill DuBose, 4th-5th GRADE Alicia Franklin
Communion Serv	ers9:30 Denice Bowen, Karen McVay Mike & Josie Kiser
Connection Table	Mike & Josie Kiser9:00 Beth Russell, Sandy Kocanowski 10:30 Pat Brantley
Flower Delivery	
Greeters	
	11:00 Joyce Loughridge, Jeanne Purdy
Pew Care	Liz Gay
Prayer Room	
Sorters	8:00 Tony Mallini, Jeanne Rief
Ushers	8:00 Martha Gorecki, Jim Randels, Don Schambeau, Jon Sheperd

Pastor's Class

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

Ministerial Staff

Dr. Philip McVay - Lead Pastor

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



Altar Flowers

Flower bouquets and/or single roses are available: Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Bouquets are \$40.00 each and roses are \$4.00 each. Please contact the church office at 651-0721 to reserve





Adults \$6.50 Kids (3-10) \$3.00 Max \$25 per household

ENTREE: Lasagna

SALAD OPTION: Chef KID OPTION: Corn Dogs



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



We celebrate the baptism of:

Luke Grayson Joyner He was baptized at the 8:00 service in the sanctuary. He is the son of Cammie & Chris Joyner Grandson of Dallas & Carmel Gray

We welcome him into our church family!



Sunday, Sept. 10th | 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.

Philip's Focus

Prayer Leads Us to God, Unifies, and Elevates the Mission of the Church

This week, September 11-15, is the designated week for our Alabama-West Florida Conference to pray for the Commission on the Way Forward. Our Annual Conference is composed of over six hundred churches and eight districts in the geographical region of South Alabama and the Panhandle of Florida. Our week to pray is one of seventy-five weeks of focused prayer. Other Annual Conferences are also taking weeks and began in January of this year. Literally millions of United Methodists all over the world will be praying moving toward the 2019 special session of General Conference.

Rev. Faith Parry has prepared a prayer guide in the Beacon and you are invited to follow this week. Let us join together in faithful prayer for the Commission on the Way Forward. This is a most crucial time in our denominational history. Let us be in prayer this commission will encounter the Lord and seek God's plan.

What is the Commission on the Way Forward? This task force is accountable to the Council of Bishops, which named the members following a mandate from the 2016 General Conference and consists of 32 members. The charge from the General Conference was for the bishops to find a way forward and for unity in the UMC on issues related to human sexuality. Their report will be composed in the coming months and will offer direction and possibly scenarios for the United Methodist Church going forward. Periodic updates of their progress are being posted on the www.awfumg.org. We will be following their reports, in the coming days...but for now...the biggest contribution we can make is our prayer for them in their work.

Prayer is powerful and can bring people together. Many of us read *Draw the Circle* by Mark Batterson this year in our Lenten Study. Perhaps in our minds, as we pray, we can draw a circle around this thirty-two person commission. We can lift them up for wisdom, discernment, and most of all to hear God's voice. In doing so, we all can be led to God, more unified by His Word, and elevate the mission of making disciples for the transformation of the world. Let us be in prayer this week for the Commission on the Way Forward. Let us be in prayer our United Methodist Church will be transformed and galvanized to be fully God's Church!

Shalom, Philip

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





30-Day Praying for Your Pastor Challenge

Pastor Appreciation month is October and It is my hope that you already pray for SUMC and our Pastors on a regular basis. On behalf of the Tuesday Night Prayer Group and the Prayer Ministry Team, I would like to invite each of you to join us in a commitment to pray for our pastors, Pastor Philip, Pastor Brian, Pastor Faith, and Pastor Brad each day during the month of October.

We hope that we can count on your support by signing up to pray for our Pastors and SUMC for the 31 days of October. We are not asking for a time, only that you commit to pray daily for each of the pastors and for SUMC. There are signup sheets in each of the Sunday School Attendance Notebooks and there will be signup sheets available in the FLC for the next few weeks for your convenience.

You will be provided with a "30 day Pray for Your Pastors Challenge" to aid you in praying daily. The guide is for 30 days but I feel that after 30 days of this challenge, we should be able to pray at least one day without a guide. I know some of you are already praying for our pastors, and I thank you for doing so. Please sign up anyway.

With all that is happening in this world right now, prayer is more important than ever. What better way to help do our part in changing the world than to start right here at SUMC. I recently heard someone say we need to "Pray Long and Pray Hard". It is my belief that Prayer does make a difference so please join us in praying for our Pastors each day during the month October and hopefully every day of the year. This could very well be the best gift you could ever give to our pastors.

> "God begins answering when the Prayer is made. Prayer triggers the actions in Heaven." Max Lucado "Before Amen".

Thank you in advance for your support. Jim Brantley SUMC Prayer Ministry Team.

> **Places to Serve Online Volunteer Form** Go to Shalimar-umc.org, click on Serve tab, then on Places to Serve

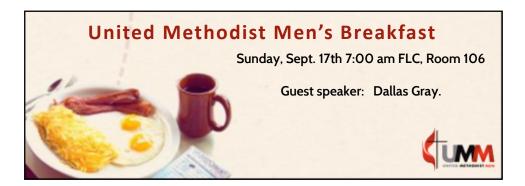
BREAK FREE A transformational worship service



Meeting: Adults interested in fellowship, inspiration, travel and fun, join us Tuesday, Sep. 12th, 11:30 am in the Family Life Center Gym. Our own Jon Sheperd will present the program, "What's in Your Genes? An Introduction to Genealogy." Lunch, prepared by Chef Heyward will be served. Cost \$6.50. Please call the church office, 651-0721, by noon Mon., Sept. 11th to make a reservation.

Day Trip: Thurs., Sept. 21st we will go to the Heritage Museum of Northwest, FL, in Valparaiso, FL. Tickets for the museum will be \$7.00 each to be paid at the Sept. 12th meeting. The Heritage Museum features NW FL history to include Native Americans and pioneers as well as the one room school house. Hands-on activities are also included. We will eat lunch at the Cold Creek Bar-B-Q, Valparaiso after the tour. We gather at 9:30 am and leave at 9:45 am.

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







TODAY'S SERMON NOTES:

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



Bishop Graves, our resident Bishop, has called us all to pray for the Commission on the Way Forward. This week, I encourage you to follow Bishop Graves' call and pray each day for the future of the United Methodist Church. This group of people is made up of bishops, clergy, and laity from all over the world. #shalimarUMC #AWFUMC #Praying Our WayForward

WHAT TO PRAY FOR

It can be difficult to determine what to pray for when it comes to something as big as the Commission on the Way Forward or the future of the United Methodist Church, but there are two things that we can never go wrong praying for: 1) guidance from the Holy Spirit and 2) wisdom.

1. Pray for every person who is a part of this Commission to be able to see past emotions and opinions so that he or she can discern the Spirit and where the Spirit is guiding. That can be such a difficult thing when discussing something that is personal and a passion of someone's. Every person that sits on the Commission does so because it is important to him or her as well as the future of the United Methodist Church. Each comes to the table with the intention of helping the church go in the right direction, and most hope to change everyone else's minds.

2. Pray that every person will seek God's wisdom in this time of turmoil. Instead of trying to prove his or her opinion is correct, pray that each listens to understand with ears of love, then seeks God's wisdom in how to respond to the person.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Pray every day this week for the Commission on the Way Forward and the United Methodist Church. Here are some prayers you can use to get you started. (Adapted from *5 Prayers for Guidance - Receive God's Direction and Wisdom!*)

MONDAY

God, thank you for your guidance. Please show your holy guidance to every man and woman who is part of the Commission on the Way Forward. Forgive them for the times that they get ahead of your plans, and help them know when to stop and listen for your direction. Your ways are perfect, Lord. Thank You for offering gentle grace. Amen.

TUFSDAY

Lord, I pray your Spirit would move in a mighty way through the Commission on a Way Forward. I know that any sin can grieve and diminish the voice of the Spirit, and I pray against the temptation to sin for every man and woman part of the Commission. Cause each of them to crave your presence more than they crave sin. Help them grow in their fruits and walk closer with you. I pray for your Spirit to guide them in their daily lives and their conversations. Let your will and promises always be a meditation of their hearts. Amen.

WEDNESDAY

God, I'm here today with open hands and an open heart, ready to lay at your feet the future of the United Methodist Church. Help us be like Nehemiah, help us come to you for guidance, strength, provision, and protection. As we face tough choices and hard situations, help us remember our belovedness, help us remember that we are your children and your representatives to the world around us. Help us live today in a way that brings honor to your holy name. Amen.

THURSDAY

Lord, today I lift up every person who has given up their time to serve our church on the Commission on a Way Forward. Protect them from the Evil One so that they may walk in your ways. Safeguard their families so they may not be distracted from the work they are doing for you. Guide them towards your will so that, we as a church, may be the church you desire us to be. Amen.

FRIDAY

God, thank you for the people you have divinely placed on the Commission on a Way Forward. Give each member a heart of discernment to know when you are using someone to speak instruction into their hearts and circumstances, and give them the strength and courage to follow through with that advice, even when it's hard. Fill them with peace in knowing that even if they take a wrong turn, your purpose will prevail. Amen.

Hear Bishop Graves call to prayer at www.faithparry.com or follow the church's Facebook page this week for prayer reminders.

In Christ. Faith



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

SUMC Emmaus Cluster

The speaker for our Emmaus gathering on Friday, Sept. 15th, will be Pete Peters. Please join us for a potluck dinner at 6:00 pm in FLC Room 106. For more information contact leanne Rief, 685-8027 or Sharon Patterson, 259-5149.



Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend

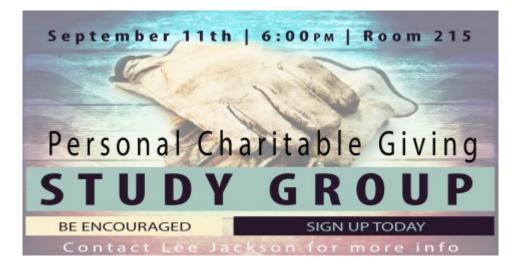
Sundays @ 3:30PM #10 2nd Street House

Please call the church office for reservations 651-0721



Sunday School Guest Speaker

We will again welcome Don Anchors as a guest teacher here on Sunday mornings. Many of you remember Don from his previous times of teaching here. This year he is offering a six-week series from September 17th - October 22nd, on the theme "Preparation for Your Cross Examination as a Christian Witness." He will be using as a reference several books by Phillip Yancey and other Christian authors. The class will meet in the Family Life Center Gym from 9:30-10:30 am and you are especially welcome if you are not already a member of a Sunday morning group.



Find A Group Please visit https://www.faithparry.com/group/ or call church office @ 651-0751 for a hard copy.



Open House and Book Sale Sunday, Oct 1st from 9:00 am -noon. "Be a Smart Cookie...come to the Library for books and cookies."



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. 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 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.)

Merge Young Adults

Michelle Carmical - Lead Facilitator | 850-217-0391

A New Season of Life. We are excited to announce that we have expanded the Merge Young Adult Ministry to best accommodate the growing young adult population. It's a great time to introduce our expansion of Merge.

Merge 1 & 2 United

Sunday School | Sundays | 10:00 am Sept. 7th | 7:00 pm | Starbucks *@* Uptown Station/coffee & prayer at flag pole (no money needed)

Sept. 14th | 6:00 pm | First Annual Scavenger Hunt | *Godspeed Fun* We will start with a rally of prayer & divide into teams at 6:30 pm. We should be leaving at 6:45 pm. This is a timed event and ends at 8:00 pm.

Celebrations, refreshments, and awards will be given at 8:00 pm and we should be ending our time together at our usual time of 8:30 pm.



Beginning Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 6:30 pm, Merge 1 will start our time in breakout series for 4 weeks. Men will be studying the men of the Bible. The women will be studying...you got it...the women of the Bible.



Beginning Thursday, Sept. 21st, 6:30 pm, Merge 2 will start our time in breakout series for 4 weeks. Men will be studying the men of the Bible. The women will be studying...you got it...the women of the Bible.

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).



Shalimar UMC Merge







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 and on the church website Grow link. 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.



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





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FUSION Shalimar UMC Youth

WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Meets weekly from 9:30-10:30 am in the Youth Room

Rock the Universe CANCELLED

FUSION Sunday, Sept. 10th in the Gym

Wednesday - Small Groups, Sept. 13th Youth Rooms | 6:30-8:00 pm

SEE YOU AT THE POLE FIX OUR EYES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

See You At The Pole After Rally 6:30-7:30 pm Fort Walton Beach Landing Bus will leave church at 6:10 pm

Attendance, Sept. 9 & 10

6:00 pm service 29 8:00 am service 198 9:30 am service 75 11:00 am service 180

11:07 am service 228 60 Livestream

TOTAL

770

Stay Connected! Facebook: Shalimar UMC





Visit us online: shalimar-umc.org Susan McLain - Children's Director Church 651-0721 | Cell 850-598-6683 children@shalimar-umc.org

Welcome to the Shalimar UMC Kidz Ministry info page!

IF you are new: Please REGISTER your child by filling out a Lime Green Info Card at the SUMC KIDZ MINISTRY Check in Table in the FLC gym on Sundays. You only have to do this once! Please update contact info and child's current grade.

As your child continues to come to different programs and events here at SUMC on Sundays, please Check In at the Check In Station in the Family Life Center or the Sanctuary and get a security label for you and your child.



UPCOMING EVENTS



KIDZ NITE OUT: Friday, September 8th, 6:00-10:00 pm in the FLC Gym. Kids Kdg-5th grade. Cost: \$20 per child. (sibling discounts) We play glow in the dark games, Minute to Win It games, crafts, and free play. We have pizza, salad, soda, and ice cream! Call, text or email Miss Susan to register your child. Deadline: September 6th. *ASC Kids will come straight to KNO.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: 11:00/11:07 Worship hour, kids 4 years old-5th grade.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30-10:30 am for 4 years old - 5th grade in courtyard rooms.

SUNDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Fish Factory 4:30-5:30 pm in the FLC Gym. Snack supper 5:30-5:45 pm (\$3 per child) Corn Dogs/TaterTots/Salad and Cookies Children's Choir 5:45-6:30 pm.

Fish Factory Theme: Journey: below the earth - building on the foundations of faith. Week's Bible verse: "And God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASSES: 6:00-8:00 pm in courtyard for kinder-5th grade.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE: For kids kinder-5th grade. We pick up from Shalimar, Longwood, Kenwood, Elliot Point, and NWFB.

- Snacks - Games - Homework help

5 day (\$50) 3 day (\$30) Drop Ins (\$20) Reg fee: \$35 per child

Call or email me to sign your child up or go to www.shalimar-umc.org to register.

Volunteers are needed to help with homework and reading. Please contact Miss Susan to volunteer.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 10th

Worship Times

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

Freedom Band Rehearsal	
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
Children's Church	.11/11:07 am
Next Steps	12:15 pm
Drama Rehearsal	2:00 pm
Grief Share	3:30 pm
Fish Factory	4:30 pm
Military Family Group	4:30 pm
Youth Choir Rehearsal	5:30 pm
God's Kids Choir	5:45 pm
Youth Snack Supper	6:30 pm
Fusion	•

After School Care Mon.–Fri. 2:00-5:30 pm

Monday, Sept. 11th

Connect Team Rehearsal	5:30 pm
Alanon II	6:00 pm
Lighthouse Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Monday Bible Study	6:00 pm
One + ONE Singles	6:00 pm
Personal Charitable Giving.	6:00 pm
12 X 12	6:00 pm
Security Ministry Team	6:30 pm
Okaloosa Orchestra Rehear	sal . 7:15 pm

Tuesday, Sept. 12th

Friendship Club Lunch	11:30 am
Joy Ringers Bell Choir	5:30 pm
Journeymen	6:00 pm
Prayer Group	6:00 pm
Military Team Meeting	6:30 pm

Wednesday, Sept. 13th

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	
Rejoice	6:00 pm
Youth Leaders Meeting	6:00 pm
Merge Young Adults 1	6:30 pm
PULSE-Youth	6:30 pm
Alanon	7:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm

Thursday, Sept. 14th

MOPS Meeting	9:00 am
Freedom/Bk Free Worship	6:00 pm
Merge Young Adults 2	6:30 pm
Stephen Ministry Supv	6:30 pm
Emerald Coast Barbershop	7:00 pm

Friday, Sept. 15th

Emmaus Potluck 6:00 pm

Saturday, Sept. 16th

Worship Time Break Free Service 6:00 pm

AV/Tech Train'g......12:00 pm Break Free Band Rehearsal 4:00 pm

After Hours Emergency Pastoral Assistance: Dr. Philip McVay (850) 607-1133 Rev. Brian Dale (404) 597-6242 Rev. Faith Parry (850) 420-9888

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