



GOD'S *Promises*

**The Beacon
August 2, 2020**



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

Traditions

At 8:00 and 11:00am 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 11:00am service.

Connect

At 9:30am 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 11:07am 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.

REACH | TEACH | SEND



Here's what you need to know this week.
Text to **850-204-4545** to subscribe.

The Week of Sunday, August 2nd

- **Beach Baptism** - This is the last week to sign up for our beach baptism will be Aug 8th. Because of COVID-19 protocols, we will not have any paper forms at the beach. Please be sure you contact Pastor Faith if you are thinking about being baptized or reaffirm your baptism. We'll gather at 9am at Beasley Park. You can email Faith at faith@shalimar-umc.org or call 850-420-9888. We invite everyone out to celebrate with those being baptized. Please social distance while at the beach.
- **Back to School Drive-by** - Missions will host a Back to School Event **Sun, Aug 9th** from 3-4:30pm or while supplies last. This will take place in the FLC parking lot. It will be a Drive-by event. Free backpacks and school supplies for Elementary, Middle, & High School students. If you are interested in helping prepare or distribute the school supplies and backpacks, please contact Mary Jane Robertson at (850) 499-6173 or mjr53@cox.net.
- **Blood Drive** - SUMC is hosting Oneblood on **Aug 16th** from 8-1pm for a blood drive in our parking lot. If you would like to donate you must register at sumc.io/2DeE69y. To learn more about our lifesaving mission, we encourage you to visit oneblood.org.
- **Children's Ministry** - In-person Children's Church will resume **Sep 13th**. It will be held in the Cross Corner Fellowship Hall from **10:45-12:15pm**. The Children's ministry will kick-off this event with a promotion celebration before and after Children's Church. So, come celebrate your children CRUISING to their next grade! Visit the Bible booth and receive a new Bible for your child and take photos at the Cruise Deck!
- **Attendance** - We would love it if you register your attendance with us. You can fill out the webform found online, leave a comment in Livestream chat, or you can send an email to Faith@shalimar-umc.org.

REACH | TEACH | SEND

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**After Hours Emergency
Pastoral Assistance:**

Dr. Philip McVay (850) 607-1133
Rev. Matt Langford (334) 437-3931
Rev. Faith Parry (850) 420-9888

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

Ministerial Staff

Dr. Philip McVay - Lead Pastor

- Dr. Brad Bradford Worship Pastor
- Rev. David Garvin Youth Pastor
- Rev. Matt Langford Associate Pastor
- Rev. Faith Parry Communication Pastor
- Jennifer Guidoni Director of Children’s Ministry
- Karen Jadin Director of Preschool
- Kim Margold Director of Adult Ministry
- Dawn Rozofsky Director of Camp
- Ben Savage Worship Ministries Associate

Traditions Worship Service

Sunday, August 2, 2020

Prelude		Mary Jo Horner and Joel Lane
	<i>Let's Just Praise the Lord-The King is Coming</i>	
Church Life and Celebrations		Rev. Matt Langford
Testify	<i>Since Jesus Came Into My Heart Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine Praise Him! Praise Him!</i>	
Prayer of Praise		Rev. Matt Langford
Hymn No. 98	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	
Worship with God's Tithes and Our Offerings		Rev. David Garvin
Music Message	<i>Holy Spirit</i>	Katie Schenck
Scripture Presentation	Genesis 18:8-14	
Sermon	God's Promises	Rev. Faith Parry
Holy Communion		
Hymn of Response	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i>	No. 174
Prayer of Thanksgiving		Rev. Matt Langford
Closing Song	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i>	
Postlude		Mary Jo Horner and Joel Lane

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Green Paraments



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THE COVID-19
TASKFORCE

sumc.io/covid

ONLINE
Sunday
SCHOOL

sumc.io/33MECVp

DISCIPLESHIP
CLASSES

ONLINE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULTS

sumc.io/zoomclasses



BEACH
Baptism

SAT, AUG 8TH
9 AM ~ BEASLEY PARK

Call Church office
for more info
850-716-8177
or email
faith@shalimar-umc.org

Join us for

12 WEEKS
FOCUSING ON THE
SPIRITUAL ASPECTS
OF COMBAT RECOVERY

MORE INFO CONTACT DEB HUTTO AT 240-2564



REBOOT
COMBAT RECOVERY

STARTING IN AUGUST
WEDNESDAYS | 5-7PM

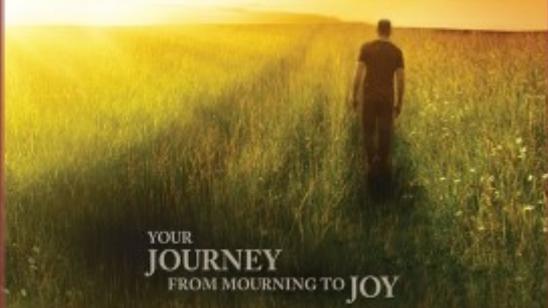
REBOOT is a 12-week course for
vets, active duty & families.
REBOOT focuses on the moral and
spiritual wounds of war. Visit
<https://REBOOTRECOVERY.COM>
to sign up.

Grief Support Group

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

Sundays @ 3:00 PM
Begins Sept 13th
Online

Participants need
to register and
order book at
GriefShare.org

YOUR
JOURNEY
FROM MOURNING TO JOY

Philip's Focus

Who is Shalimar United Methodist Church?

One of the take-aways from my time as a District Superintendent was that there are no two churches exactly alike. I supervised 103 churches and, amazingly, each church had their own identity. Shalimar United Methodist Church is the only SUMC in the world. We are incredibly unique and have our own specific identity.

I have had the privilege of serving here twice, first for three years as an associate pastor, and for the last seven years, as lead pastor. Below are some of my observations about Shalimar United Methodist Church.

- We are the church behind Waffle House with the iconic roof.
- We are under the radar for people who do not live here since few people know where Shalimar is and who are usually quite surprised to discover such a thriving church.



- Most people are happy we are not like other churches. We are not like the church up the road or down the street. Our church is distinctive. We are United Methodist and you can see the UMC cross and flame on our pulpit, window, and buildings. We have always supported the conference and district and have provided leadership when called.
- SUMC has raised up generations of children and youth for Jesus. Numerous young people who came to know Christ through this church are now pastors and are leading their own congregations to know Jesus.
- Our church is known throughout the community as a serving and caring congregation. Every time I wear my staff shirt, people make glowing comments about Shalimar.

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- We are the church that has something going on all the time (even with Covid- 19) as there are events occurring most every day.



- The SUMC campus is located on the beautiful Emerald Coast. Established in 1951 in a drive-in movie theater, it has been fruitful for the Kingdom for 68 years. We have a special connection with active duty and retired military families as we are located near Eglin Air Force Base and Hurlburt Field.
- We are a United Methodist Congregation in name and practice. We seek to live out the mission “making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”
- Our mission statement is REACH, TEACH, and SEND for Jesus.
- We do all as a Christ-centered, multi-generational family and seek to be a community-relevant ministry through worship, discipleship, and mission. Shalimar UMC devotes itself to four major focuses: children, youth, young adult, and adult ministries. Each member is invited to grow in their next step as a disciple.
- We believe our salvation comes in professing our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior which can happen instantaneously or gradually. As salvation



can come quickly, our goal is to grow as a disciple of Jesus, and this takes a lifetime.

- We get excited and have great passion. Sometimes this reveals itself in controversy, but most times, it manifests in the joy of seeing the Holy Spirit at work.

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- Most of our members love hearing good sermons and would rather see a good sermon than hear one.
- We seek to do all in the spirit of the General Rules of the Church:
 - * DO NO HARM
 - * DO GOOD
 - * STAY IN LOVE WITH GOD
- We do not agree on everything. We hold to the truth of the statement attributed to Martin Luther and that is referenced often in our United Methodist Tradition.



- * In non-essentials, LIBERTY. We do not always agree on everything that is non-essential. We value relationships over 100% agreement on matters of taste, worship style, political views, and other non-essentials. One of our worship services is called the Freedom Service because we believe in freedom of matters that are non-essential.
- * In essentials, UNITY. Our Apostles Creed provides for us a core for our essentials and we affirm these beliefs.

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontious Pilate, was crucified dead and buried, and on the third day arose from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church (universal), the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and resurrection of the Body."

- * In all things, LOVE. We seek to live the great commandment of Jesus to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves. (Mark 12:30) We also affirm the teachings of the Apostle Paul that "love is the greatest of all" and "without love we are nothing." (I Corinthians 13)



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* We are saved by God's Grace that is a gift from God. (Ephesians 2:8-9) Grace is known in three ways. First, through *prevenient grace* which is God's reaching out to us. Second, through *justifying grace* which is saying "yes" to what Jesus Christ did for us by dying on the cross for our sins. Third, through the work of *sanctifying grace* which helps us grow and become more like Jesus every day.

- * Our tradition is that we are a warm and accepting Church. This value of hospitality matters. We can trace this back to the founder of Methodism, John Wesley, who had his heart "strangely warmed" on Aldersgate Street in London, England in 1738. Shalimar seeks to offer this same environment for hearts to be warmed in the modern age.

This is such a great church! Thank you for letting me serve you as your Lead Pastor.

One more thing, our church is not simply content because we are always seeking to do better what we normally do. Let us strive in the coming days to see how we can accomplish great things for God!

Shalom,
Philip

Dr. Philip McVay, Lead Pastor
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Online Beacon

Find the Online Beacon on the web:
sumc.io/beacon



Once there take a look at other items we have on our website.

Ways to subscribe to Online Beacon:

Call church office at 651-0721
Text BEACON to 850-204-4545
Mark communication card

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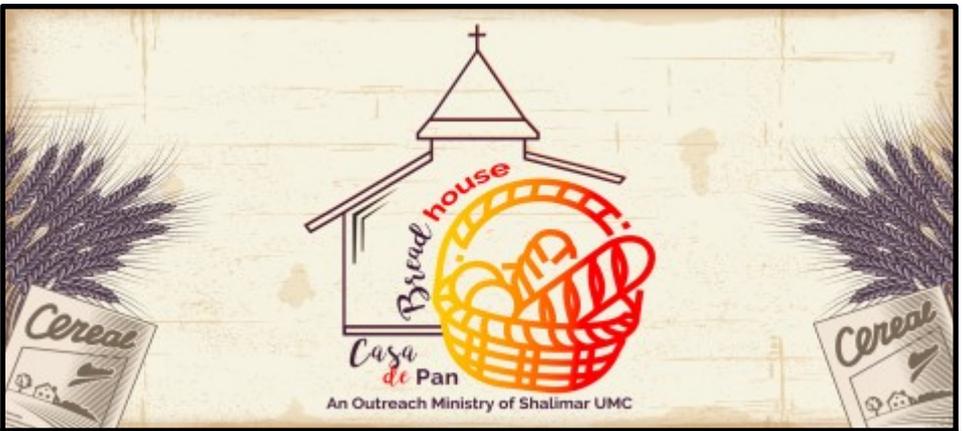
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The Upper Room Ministries have provided us with a link so you can download your copy of the magazine from home.

www.upperroom.org/standingorderchurches





On any given day we may receive calls, or some folks from our congregation might stop in to ask if they can pick up some food for their neighbors in need.

The answer is always YES! This is the purpose of the Bread House; to reach out and help those in need. Our helping hands start with anyone in our congregation that might be having a tough time. After that, anyone or family in our community who needs us is welcome!

This is the perfect time to check on your neighbors and see if they need help. You can bring them in or come pick their food up for them any Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9am-12pm.

So far, we have served over 1,500 family members with over 15 tons of food in the last 4 months! This is all due to the generosity of our congregation at Shalimar United Methodist. Without your continued support, this outreach program would not exist!

Blessings to all of you for what you do!



For additional information

Pete Peters
Chair, Missions & Outreach
(ph) 703-395-2437
Email: fpeters1@cox.net

To volunteer

Kim Margold
(ph) 850-862-7183

Email: programs@shalimar-umc.org

SUMMER *Youth* Events

Beach Bible Study
Wednesdays 5-8pm

"The Challenge Weekly"
Video Premiere Sundays 8pm
bit.ly/thechallengeweekly

Follow us on Social Media
for other Sunday Activities
[instagram.com/fusionsumc](https://www.instagram.com/fusionsumc)



Rev. David Garvin, Youth Pastor
850-651-0721 | youth@shalimar-umc.org



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SUNDAY

*The Challenge Weekly collaborative ministry webshow premiering at 8pm
bit.ly/thechallengeweekly*

WEDNESDAY

Beach Bible Study 5:30 - 8:00pm

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

*Kickball, Movie Night, Goofy Golf, and more!
Details released weekly on social media*

GET INFORMED

Follow our Facebook and Instagram pages to stay updated on student activities.

Merge Young Adults

David James - Facilitator
(850) 217-9632



Shalimar UMC Merge

Thursdays | 6:30 pm | #10 2nd



Merge Online Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/97660682189>

Join Us!

Friendship Club



FRIENDSHIP CLUB NEWS

(A ministry for all adults)

Friendship Club meetings and activities are on hold until the “all clear” is received.

We anticipate beginning the fall season in the Family Life Center Gym, September 8, 11:30am with meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, so add us to your calendars!

Please continue to check back here for updates.

For additional information

Ollie Fay Flint: 651-2360

Betty Stewart: 634-6349

Attendance, July 26, 2020

Children's' Church: 9

Worship and Technical Volunteers: 117

Livestream: 454

Total: 580



SUN, AUG 9TH | 3-4:30 PM
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

**BACK TO SCHOOL
DRIVE-BY**



YOU'RE INVITED!



Missions will host a Back to School Event Aug 9th from 3-4:30pm or while supplies last. This will take place in the FLC parking lot. It will be a Drive-by event.

Free backpacks and school supplies for Elementary, Middle, & High School students.

If you are interested in helping prepare or distribute the school supplies and backpacks please contact Mary Jane Robertson, (850) 499-6173 or mjr53@cox.net.

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Share your power.

DONATE
AUG 16TH 8am-1pm

SHALIMAR UMC PARKING LOT
YOU MUST REGISTER FOR APPOINTMENT
LEARN MORE & REGISTER AT
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Yes
to SUMC
Kidz

Jennifer Guidoni
Director of Children's Ministry
cell 772-626-8000
Church 651-0721
children@shallmar-umc.org

SUMC Kidz

Children's Church - Sundays 1 - 2pm on Zoom sumc.io/children

Zoomy Room | Mon-Wed-Fri 2 - 3pm
July 31st will be the last day!

Sunday School on Facebook | Lessons up by 9am Sunday morning on the SUMC Kids Page

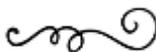
August Schedule

August 8 | Beach Baptism

Contact Pastor Faith at the church to sign up. We are celebrating children and adults who have decided to follow Jesus!

August 9 | 3 - 4:30pm | Back to School Drive-thru

If you are a church member in need of school supplies, contact Jennifer for assistance.





Blessings For Children

How You Help Us Say "Yes"

While we have been coping and adjusting to all the "no's" that have been a part of COVID-19 living, Blessings for Children wants to say thank you for all the ways our church family has allowed us to say "yes" each Wednesday! Because of you, we were able to say "yes" to 86 children in June! Your gracious financial donations and our Missions Committee support allowed us to serve children with new t-shirts, underwear, and socks. We have been able to share diapers, wipes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, and lice treatment kits.

Although school is no longer in session, we continue to give out pencils, crayons, scissors, markers, glue sticks, and folders as needed. We can maintain those items in stock by shopping and refilling empty bins with your financial gifts. And many times, you have donated those items directly to us. Each child that we serve at Blessings for Children (age infant through 5th grade) can receive from those items up to six times over a 12-month period.

And we say "yes" to the gently used or brand-new items you donate from your outgrown children's clothes, toys, and baby or children's items. These go into our Treasure Chests where our families can "shop" and select anything else they may need.

Families complete a simple form and provide their contact information so we can learn about their children, track visits, receive prayer requests, and offer any other help when it is available (Back to School Basket or Angel Tree for example). We try to make each visit to our ministry impactful and meaningful. Our faithful, dedicated volunteers make sure there is a welcoming smile for each person who enters the #10 2nd Street house, even if it is covered by a mask...another way we say "yes!"

If you would like to help us keep saying "yes" at Blessings for Children each Wednesday, please consider the following:

- Please pray for the ministry and all who participate.
- Join us as a volunteer and you don't have to commit weekly or even monthly!
- Consider donating items we distribute to the children. Diapers and pull-ups of all sizes, wipes, children's t-shirts, socks and underwear, children's toothbrushes or toothpaste, body wash or soap, and toilet paper are in great demand. A complete list of items we distribute can be found at sumc.io/blessings. You can donate items any 3rd Sunday in the bins placed in the narthex and Family Life Center lobby, or stop by the #10 2nd Street house behind the church any Wednesday from noon - 3:30 pm to donate items. Children's bibles and bible stories and activity books are also a joy to receive and distribute!
- A financial gift designated to Blessings for Children allows us to shop for needed items.

For additional information

Mary Jane Robertson

Email: mjr53@cox.net

Visit: sumc.io/blessings

Phone: (850) 499-6173



Open every Wednesday 12 - 3:30 pm



Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is always available for your use. **The code to enter is 1423.** After each Sunday morning service, someone will be present to pray with if you would like. They will also respect your wishes to pray alone. Prayer shawls are available for your use. The Prayer Box with cards is available for you to leave a request for either the pastors or Prayer Team. They will pray for you or a situation you would like lifted up. There have been great reports of use for this special place.

Prayer Chain



You can add someone to the Prayer Chain, share an answered prayer or receive prayer requests and praises through email. A printed copy of the SUMC Prayer List is available each Sunday in the Narthex and FLC Lobby. If you'd like to start receiving the Prayer List via email, please call the church office at (850) 651-0721 or email prayer@shalimar-umc.org.

Prayer Ministry

Please contact the church office at (850) 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)
- **Prayer Room Attendant** - Volunteer to pray with those who come to the Prayer Room after the Sunday morning worship services
- **Pray in the Prayer Room** during each Sunday morning worship service
- **Pray for special church functions and events**
- **Participate** in the Prayer Chain and Prayer Link

Weekly Schedule

In-Person Worship Times

Leave message on office answering machine to RSVP

Sanctuary.....8:00 am
FLC.....11:07 am

Worship Times Online

Traditions Worship8 & 11 am
Connect Worship9:30 am
Freedom Worship11:07 am

**Sunday, August 2nd
through
Saturday Aug 8th**

1 Old Ferry Road
P.O. Box 795,
Shalimar, FL 32579
(850) 651-0721
shalimar-umc.org
office@shalimar-umc.org
Office Hours: Monday - Thursday
8 am - 4 pm • Friday 8 am - Noon



**Ways to
give .**



WEBSITE
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MAIL
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