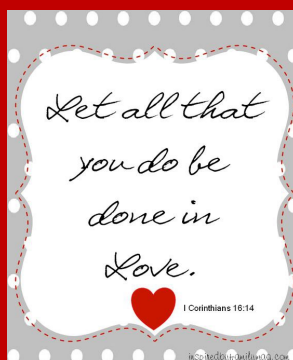


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Pastor Carolyn's Conundrums

Every year Dave and I have the same discussion about Valentine's Day. Why does it exist? Was it made up by the card and flower companies to make money? "I don't need a special day to love you, I love you all year long!" ...

I suppose those same questions could be asked about Christmas, Easter, and all the other special days of the year.

So why do you celebrate? What do all these holidays mean to you? Do some of the holidays mean more to you?

I believe all these holidays have a place. Should we need them? No. Do we need them, I think so. We get so busy with our everyday lives that we can lose focus, on God, our families.... It is important to take those days to remember the birth of the savior, the ultimate gift from God. It is important to remember Easter, the ultimate sacrifice and triumph of God. While I may not put Valentine's Day at quite the same level as these afore mentioned holidays, I believe it is an important reminder to acknowledge our love, for God, our significant others, families and others.

In a world filled with such hate (if we are to believe the news)... In a world full of such loss... In world full of such pain ... in a world full of such hopelessness ... We need to be intentional about sharing love. Not just the eros (physical) love we have for our spouses, or even the philia (brotherly) love we have for others. But the God given agape (unconditional) love. This is the love that God has called us to live into. This is the love of God shown through us. This is the love that is a light in the darkness. This is the love that kept Jesus on the cross.

So this Valentine's Day, month, year... may we allow God to love through us. This Valentine's Day, month, year... may you remember that you are loved beyond measure! As we have been loved, may we so love.



1st

Ann Schubert
Judy Vershave

3rd

Mickey Thayer

4th

Cheryl Jeffries

5th

Dennis Jones
Jordan Buck

8th

Shirley Jones
Madi Johnson

10th

Portia Warner

11th

Elaine Iles
Susan Corcoran

14th

Addison Burns

17th

Dave Westlake

21st

Barb Wentz

23rd Terri Ernissee

25th

Bill Vershave
Colin Darcy

27th

Elizabeth Scales

29th

Marian Griffin

Worship Attendance

We would like to share with you our worship attendance.

	Traditional Service	Contemporary Service	Online
1/2/22	52	37	131
1/9/22	42	28	Not Available
1/16/22	34	31	Not Available
1/23/22	39	21	166

We have plenty of room for you! Come worship with us, or continue to worship online. God Bless you and Shores UMC.

Take the Tackle Hunger Challenge and join the team for those in need. What if everyone watching the Big Game gave just one dollar or one can of food to a local charity in need? Sunday, February 13th please bring in canned goods or monetary donations (check payable to "Shores UMC" and in the memo section put "Souper Bowl of Caring.") Collection station will be set up in the Gathering Room. Thank you for your



donations as we Tackle Hunger together!

Church Office Closed



The Church Office is closed on Monday, February 21st for President's Day.

United Methodist Women

Our next meeting will be February 24th at noon in the Christian Education Building. Bring your lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided. All ladies of the church are welcome. Cheryl Jeffries, 904-377-7950.

Sunset Circle

On December 5th the ladies of Sunset Circle met at Deborah Hallman's home for fellowship and their Christmas mission. Each of the ladies brought toiletries to fill socks for the youth at Port in the Storm Homeless Shelter. **(See attached letter of thanks from Port in the Storm.)**

Sunset Circle meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Christian Education Building. If you would like more information on this group you can contact Vicki Hall at 904-823-6478.



Groundhog Day,
February 2, 2022.

Port in the Storm Homeless Shelter for Youth

Several days before Christmas the youth at the shelter were displaced when the sewer backed up into the building. It will probably be March before they can return. They are currently being housed at the St. Francis House. We have had an ongoing mission with this group for several years that has included providing lunch for them every Tuesday. Much of what they had was destroyed. When they return they will need to replace bedding (x-long twin beds) and toiletries. We will put a bin in the overflow room if you would like to contribute. If you are interested in helping with meals or would like more information contact Cheryl Jeffries at 904-377-7950.

Scripture/Message for February February 6th

Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany
Luke 5:1-11 "If you Say So, Lord"

February 13th

Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany
I Corinthians 15:12-20 "Futile Faith"

February 20th

Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany
Luke 6:27-38 "Love"

February 27th


Transfiguration Sunday
2 Corinthians 3:12-4:1 "Transformation 2.0"

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**8:45 am
Traditional
Worship
Service
Music led by
Roger
Woods &
Soloist**

**11:00 am
Contemporary
Worship
Service
Music led by
Praise Team**

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1 CORINTHIANS 15:10, NIV**

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Jeremiah 31:3

