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Pastor Carolyn's Conundrums:

Pausing at the Window

"Windows of the Soul offer glimpses, however fleeting, and echoes, however faint, of some of the things that are dear to God." (p. 28)

In His book, Windows of the Soul, Ken Gire explores the many everyday windows we experience to see God. From vocation, art, movies, dreams to Scripture, there are many opportunities to see God, we just don't always take advantage of the opportunity. One of the reasons could be a blurry window. The windows will tend to blur when we get caught up in the busyness of life. It is then we need to find the "still axis."

"The still axis is able to maintain its center no matter how fast the wheel is turning. It is, in fact, what keeps the wheel turning. Without the axis being still, the wheel would wobble off or else bind up and bring everything lurching to a stop. Stillness is what gives stability. And it is what keeps the wheels from falling off our lives." (p. 33)

It seems this is a timely message for us today with all the events going on around us. We have the uncertainty of the UMC waiting for General Conference, politics, racism, war, inflation, supply chain issues, physical health, mental health, spiritual health Too often we let the activities in and around our lives throw us off balance and control us; and in the process blur our glimpse of God in our daily lives. We can recognize when this is happening when the preparation becomes more important than the people. When work becomes more important than family, when the plan for vacation and the activities on vacation become more important than the people I am with and even when a committee or event at the church becomes more important than the One I'm serving.

It is times like this that we need to put our priorities back in order: God, family, work. We need to find the still axis in God and then even though the world may spin around us, we have our center, our strength, our faith.

My prayer for you this summer, and every season, is that you take the time to find God as your still axis, that you don't miss the opportunity to see glimpses of God every day, and that you find quality time to be with those you love.

May we all take time to pause at the Window!



2nd
Nancy Williby

9th
Joye Chizek

10th
Janet Hayford

11th
Sadie Harper Cook

15th
Mary Alyce
Eldridge

15th
Shelbi Baker

16th
Larry Hallman

18th
Caleb Johnson

24th
Zoe Baker

25th
George Milroy

26th
Jeff Cooper

27th
Rev. Randy
Strickland
Roger Woods

29th
Carolyn Batwinis

Worship Attendance

We would like to share with you our worship attendance.

	Traditional Service	Contemporary Service	Online
6/5	48	30	105
6/12	46	32	77
6/19	52	35	40
6/26	33	30	40

Come worship with us, or continue to worship online.

Happy Summer from the Sunset Circle

The Circle will not meet in June and July. The Sunset Circle will meet again on Thursday, August 11th at 6:30 pm. All women are welcome to be part of this active, loving, and fun group!

Finance Committee

Thank you to those who continue to tithe to fund the missions and work of Shores UMC. Your faithfulness keeps the lights on and allows us to continue to be God's hands and feet in our communities. The Finance Committee is tentatively planning "Dinner & a Movie" for Saturday, September 17th, as a fundraiser for apportionments. Mark your calendar now and God bless you!



"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The original Pledge of Allegiance was written by Francis Bellamy. It was first given wide publicity through the official program of the National Public Schools, Celebration of Columbus Day which was printed in The Youth's Companion on September 8, 1892, and at the same time sent out in leaflet form to schools throughout the country. School children first recited the Pledge of Allegiance this way: "I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the Republic for which it stands one Nation indivisible, with Liberty and Justice to all." "The flag of the United States" replaced the words "my Flag" in 1923 because some foreign-born people might have in mind the flag of the country of their birth instead of the United States flag. A year later, "of America" was added after "United States." No form of the Pledge received official recognition by Congress until June 22, 1942, when the Pledge was formally included in the U.S. Flag Code. The official name of the Pledge of Allegiance was adopted in 1945. The last change in language came on Flag Day 1954, when Congress passed a law, which added the words "under God" after "one nation."

Scripture/Message for July

July 3, 2022 4th Sunday after Pentecost, Communion Sunday

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-14 Message: The Muddy Waters

July 10, 2022 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Colossians 1:1-14 Message: Faithfulness

July 17, 2022 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42 Message: The Source

July 24, 2022 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 11:1-13 Message: As

July 31, 2022 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 12:13-21 Message: Where is our bank?

Church Office

The Church Business Administrator will be on vacation the week of July 17th.

The office will be open Monday-Thursday from 8:30am-2:30pm. On Friday,

July 22nd the office will be closed.



My brother's family and I would like to thank all of the people at Shores UMC for their kind wishes and prayers throughout my brother's illness and death. We cherish all of you. Toni DeLoach

United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women will meet on Thursday July 28th at 12:00pm in the Christian Education Building. Please bring a bag lunch, dessert provided. Game Day Bingo and dominoes. All women of the church are invited. Hope you can join us this summer for fellowship together.

Board of Trustees

The Choir Rooms are in great need of renovation. This renovation is an exciting project scheduled for late summer 2022 and the fresh look will be beneficial. The Board of Trustees are dedicated to the process of making this happen but we could use your help. The total cost of the Carpet is \$4,161.64. The Trustees are keeping the other costs to a minimum by painting, replacing lights and moving furniture themselves. They have approved \$5,250.00 to complete the project to purchase paint and lights. If you are able to help in person with the physical tasks (painting, moving furniture) or with a financial donation it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the church office if you are able to help with the physical tasks. Checks can be made payable to "Shores UMC" and in the memo section put "Choir Remodel." Thank you.

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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
Suzann Maass
and Praise
Band**



**Church Office
is closed on
Monday,
July 4th**



God bless America,

Land that I love,



Stand beside her
and guide her

Thru the night

with a light

from above,

From the

mountains,

to the prairies,

To the oceans

white with foam,

God bless America,

My home, sweet home.

Cheryl Jeffries shared a Children's message about prayer. She taught the children about the Five Finger Prayer. It is being shared here per the request of the congregation. If you would like more information you may visit www.sermons4kids.com/fivefingerprayer.

The 5-Finger Prayer



Thumb: Pray for those closest to you: your family and friends.

Pointer finger: Pray for those who point you in the right direction: your teachers, and other leaders in your life. Pray for wisdom and support.

Middle finger (tallest): Pray for those that lead us: those in government, in business, in church leadership. Pray for guidance and wisdom.

Ring finger (weakest): Pray for those who are poor, sick, in pain, in trouble: those most in need.

Pinkie finger (smallest): Pray for yourself and your own needs.

July 2022

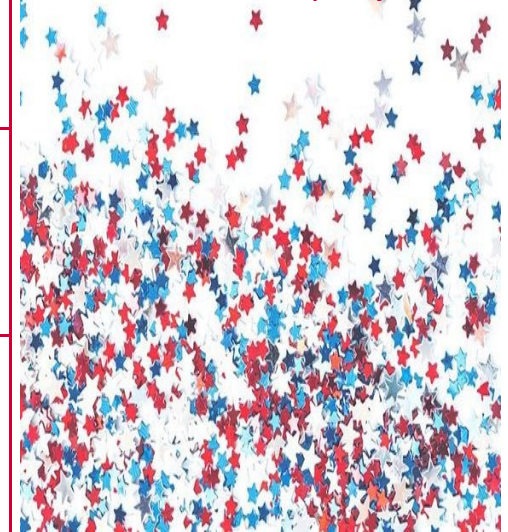
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Sunday Worship Schedule
8:45am Traditional
10:00am Adult Sunday School
10:00am Sunday School Ages 5-12
11:00am Contemporary



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