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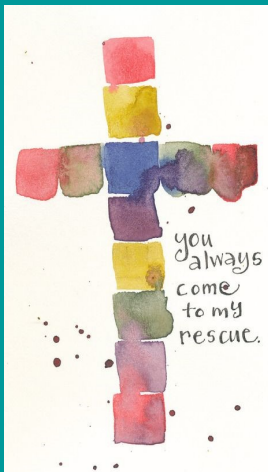
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Pastor Carolyn's Conundrums

Below I have included a note from the District office. I invite you to join the North East District churches in praying for one another. I also am inviting you to join the district wide Dynamite Prayer initiative. If you have your book, please work through it again. I have 15 copies sent from the district office to give out for those of you who do not have a copy of the book. We are to start reading on January 7th. May we live abundantly for Jesus in this new year! Friends, As this season of disaffiliation finally sets, we look forward to 2024 not only as a new year, but as an opportunity for God to "Breakthrough" in the North East District! We hope that your church has begun not

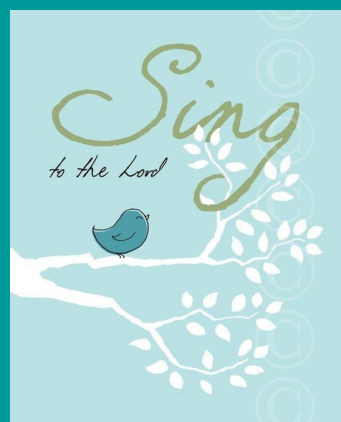
only Breakthrough Prayer Initiative but also Dynamite Prayer. We covet your prayers for the District Office but also for the churches that remain in our district. For an updated list of churches remaining in the North East District, list included below. We invite you to be in prayer for breakthroughs in all of these churches.

Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year to all of you! We look forward to walking alongside each of you in the new year.

Blessings,
Durwood Foshee &
Pam Levesque

NE District Churches

Arlington – Jacksonville;
Asbury - Orange Park;
Avondale – Jacksonville;
Bridges, A United Methodist Fellowship – Bunnell;
Christ – Hastings;
Christ - Neptune Beach;
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First – Jacksonville; First - St Augustine; Flagler Beach; Fleming Island; Georgetown; Grace - St Augustine; Highlands – Jacksonville; Howe Memorial - Crescent City; Isle Of Faith – Jacksonville; Mandarin – Jacksonville; Memorial - Fernandina Beach; Murray Hill – Jacksonville; New Life Community – Jacksonville; Palm Coast; River Of Life – Jacksonville; Riverside Park – Jacksonville; San Marco – Jacksonville; Shores - St Augustine; Simpson Memorial – Jacksonville; St Paul – Jacksonville; Trinity - Fernandina Beach; Wesconnett – Jacksonville; Wesley Fellowship – Jacksonville



Leading Ladies— January 16th

We are the widows support group of the church. We meet monthly usually for lunch as we discuss the issues many have faced. We all handle emotions of grief, loneliness, sadness in different ways. As life continues it is often just knowing we face each day with hope and confidence that we are not alone God is with us every step of the way. Having Christian friends to contact for a phone call or a walk can also be very comforting, If you are widowed we are here for you. Nancy Williby 904-797-4416.

United Methodist Women

The UMW meeting will be held on January 25th at 12:00noon in the CEB. The executive board meeting will be at 11:00am. Please bring a brown bag lunch and drinks and dessert will be provided. Our schedule of meetings and speakers will be provided at this meeting. Kristen Paul will be our speaker and she will be discussing the next step. Looking forward to seeing all the ladies of the church and hoping you had a great holiday season.

Sunset Circle News

The Sunset Circle will meet on Thursday, January 11th at 6:30pm in the Christian Education Building. The ladies will be planning the lunch for Port in the Storm for Tuesday, January 16th. Boxes of Joy for college students and the Annual High Tea and Crafts will also be discussed. The Tea is scheduled for Saturday, February 17th.

The Sunset Circle was established by and for working women in our church who are unable to participate in UMW activities that occur during the day. All women of the church are welcome to attend. Bring a friend!!!



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

17th

Shirley May Price

Earl Douglas

20th

Eileen Smith

26th

Olivia Long

27th

Kyra Liedtke

28th

Linda Hunter

29th

Sharyn Grace

Worship Attendance

Date	8:45am	11:00am	Online
12/3	43	39	202
12/10	43	36	195
12/17	46	32	141
12/24	69	4:00pm 61 6:00pm 57	599



Shores will Soar in 2024!!!

Finance update by Vicki Hall, Finance Chair

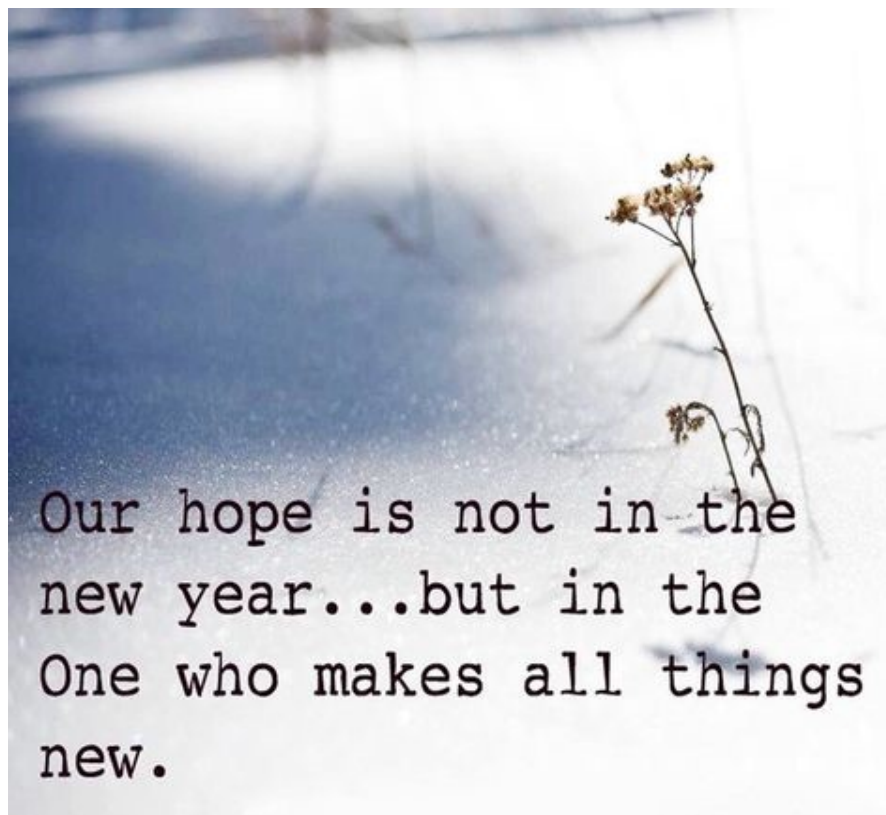
We are grateful for the strong financial support shown for our church throughout this past year. Many prayers were lifted and many were answered. At the time this is being penned, we have one more Sunday and the December VANCO funds to process. We anticipate finishing the year "in the black." Praise to the Lord for those answered prayers!

We will share the year-end statistics in the February newsletter, after the Committee reviews them at their January meeting.

We can happily report that pledges for 2024 reflect a 26% revenue increase over pledges received for 2023. More answered prayers!!!! You can still show your support for Shores UM Church by submitting a commitment card online or putting it in the offering plate on any Sunday.

Breakthrough Prayer Pray Daily

O God, may we at Shores United Methodist Church recognize and embrace Your possibilities for our future with courage, curiosity, and compassion; that we may receive and share Your abundance whole heartedly. Amen.





UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Church

January 8, 2024

The United Methodist Men will be meeting at St. Augustine Shores UMC in the Weaver Room. All men of the church are welcome to attend.

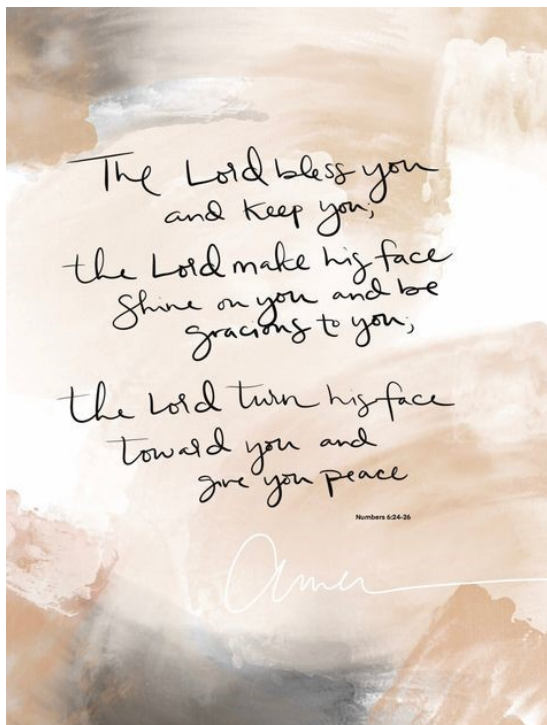


The word "epiphany," from the Greek word epiphania, means appearance or manifestation. The arrival of these visitors was a sign that the incarnation of God in Christ had been made known and was recognized by the heavens to the whole world, so that even Gentile wise men from the East came to pay him homage.

Just sending you a heartfelt thank you for
your wonderful

Christmas gifts, bonus,
cards and Christmas
wishes. It was really
thoughtful of you and
we appreciate it, and
you, so much.

The Staff at St. August-
tine Shores UMC



**Church Office Closed
on New Years Day, January 1,
2024. Wishing you the gifts of
God's peace, joy and love in
the New Year.**

Taking Down Christmas



January 7th at 12:00pm

If you are able to help take down the Christmas Decorations it would be appreciated. Thank you.

There will be a New Member Class on Jan-



uary 13, 2024 at 10:30am in the Weaver Room. If you are interested in taking the class please call the

church office at 904-797-4416.



Worship With Us

Online Services visit: www.shoresumc.org

Sunday Worship Services

8:45am Traditional Worship Service

Music led by Roger Woods & Soloists

11:00am Contemporary Worship Service

Music led by Suzann Maass & Praise Team

Scripture/Message January 2024

January 1st

Baptism of the Lord Sunday, Communion Sunday

Mark 1:4-11; In His Steps

January 14th

Second Sunday After Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-20; Speak Lord Your Servant Is Listening

January 21st

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Mark 1:14-20; That is why it is called fishing...

January 28th

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Mark 1:21-28; Church Attendance

January 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 New Year's Day Office Closed Happy New Year!	2 6:00pm Outreach Committee	3 8:30am & 10:00am Weight Watchers 9:30am Pastor at Panera 6:30pm Praise Band	4 1-4pm Shores UMC at Food Pantry 6:30pm Chancel Choir	5	6 8:30am Weight Watchers
7 12:00pm Taking down decorations	8 11:00am United Methodist Men- Weaver Room	9	10 8:30am & 10:00am Weight Watchers 9:30am Pastor at Panera 1:50pm After School Program 6:30pm Praise Band	11 6:30pm Sunset Circle 6:30pm Chancel Choir	12	13 8:30am Weight Watchers 10:30am New Member Class
14 12:00pm Staff Parish Rela- tions Committee	15 5:00pm Finance Committee 6:00pm Church Council Meeting	16 11:30am Leading Ladies	17 8:30am & 10:00am Weight Watchers 9:30am Pastor at Panera 6:30pm Praise Band	18 1-4pm Shores UMC at Food Pantry 6:30pm Chancel Choir	19	20 8:30am Weight Watchers
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Sunday Worship Schedule

8:45 am
Traditional Worship Service

10:00 am Adult Sunday School

10:00 am Sunday School
Ages 5-12

11:00 am
Contemporary Worship

Advertise Your Business Card

Members/Friends of our church may place a business card size ad in our monthly newsletter for \$10.00 per month. Please contact the church office if you would your business card put in the newsletter.



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