

# Surfside United Methodist Church



## THE MESSENGER

December 2008

### DECEMBER

#### Liturgical Readings

##### December 7

2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13 (UMH 806)

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

##### December 14

3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Psalms 126 (UMH 847)

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

##### December 21

4th Sunday of Advent

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Luke 1:47-55 (UMH 199)

Romans 16:25-27

Luke 1:26-38

##### December 28

1 Sunday after Christmas Day

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalms 148 (UMH 861)

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:22-40



### Christmas Eve

**Traditional Carol and  
Candlelight Services**  
5:30 & 7:00 PM

**Candlelight  
Communion Service**  
11:00 PM  
Join us!

### FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends;

This morning as I was reading a couple of newspapers (online) I was listening to one of the morning news programs on television. The newscaster caught my attention by saying something about trying to find some good news to report. She promised that when they found something good to report on, they would. Evidently some of the viewers had emailed their complaints about only hearing about the bad news. You might be feeling the same way. And while there is a lot of bad news in the world, there is still quite a bit of good news.

In spite of a bleak economic outlook, record jobless numbers, and a plunging stock market; there are still quite a few generous people around. You have to look no farther than the pews of our church to find them. We have people who are giving to help a family retain its home. We have a group of men who are planning a dinner for the children in our local Boys and Girls Club. Our youth will buy many of them presents for Christmas. We have members who have donated everything from pool tables to sofas to video games to a drink machine for our ministries with young people. Our Circles are busy raising money to help local ministries. We have members filling shoe boxes with gifts for Children in Third World countries. Our Sunday School classes are helping many in need. And, this list is far from exhaustive.

You can look at our offerings each week and see signs of generosity. Yes, we are behind in our giving this year to the work of the Lord through Surfside UMC. However, our gifts this year are much more likely to represent truly sacrificial giving than at any time in recent history. We are also giving to retire building debt at a time when our own houses have lost value.

So when I look out on the congregation of worshippers at Surfside UMC, I thank God for people who are willing to give generously with a joyful spirit. I see people who rejoice in the opportunity to participate with God in blessing others. I see many who are like that widow in the Temple Jesus held up as an example of generosity and faithfulness.

Have you ever wondered why some people are givers and some are not? Have you ever considered what enables some to give sacrificially while others grab everything they can? Have you ever questioned the motivation behind individuals who always appear to be doing something for someone else?

Later this month we'll celebrate a special season. It's the time when we are reminded of the great gift that God sent us in the little town of Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. We'll be reminded of the tremendous love the Father has for His children. Many of us will feel our hearts warmed and we'll want to give to others in appreciation to this great gift from God. For a time, it'll seem like the whole world is in a generous mood. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we lived our lives like everyday was Christmas? What would our world be like? What would my life be like? Christmas is a time for dreaming. Sometimes dreams come true.

Wishing you a blessed time of Advent—preparing anew for the birth of our King. And praying for God's presence to bless you warmly each and every day.

With gratitude for the blessing of serving Him and you at SUMC,

Scott

## A NOTE FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET!

**“In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.”**

**Matthew 5:16 GNT**

While doing research for a doctoral thesis, a young man spent a year with a group of Navajo Indians on a reservation in the Southwest. The young man lived with one family, slept in their hut, ate their food, worked with them and generally, lived their life.

The grandmother of the family spoke no English, and yet, a very close friendship formed between the grandmother and the doctoral student. The student and the grandmother seemed to share the common language of love, and they intuitively understood each other. Over the months, the student learned a few phrases of Navajo, and the grandmother picked up a few words and phrases in English.

When it was time for the young man to return to the university to write his thesis, the tribe held a going-away celebration for the student. The event was marked by sadness, since the student had developed such a close relationship with so many in the village. As he prepared to get into his pickup truck and drive away, the old grandmother stepped up to the door of the truck to tell the young man goodbye. With tears streaming from her eyes, the old woman placed her hands on each side of the young man's face, looked directly into his eyes and said....."I like me best when I'm with you".

True fellowship is letting those around us not only "be themselves" but "be their best".

We continue to have so many exciting – and challenging – opportunities for ministry happening at our Surfside UMC. From church suppers to Bible Studies to fellowship groups to worship.....from community involvement to sports activities to youth outings to Christian outreach, our "local neighborhood" is beginning to discover "who we are" not by what they hear, but instead, by what they see! And that's exciting!

As the Body of Christ called the Surfside United Methodist Church, I invite you and encourage you to continue to....."be yourselves".....and....." be your best"....as we let our light shine before people, reaching out in God's love and in Christian fellowship to all those who are open to receiving the Good News!

Sharing God's love at Christmas and beyond -

Pastor Kim

## UMW UPDATE

I would like to thank Joy Circle and Quest Circle for being our host for our General Meeting in November. It was a wonderful morning of fellowship. Thanks to all of you who came and joined us. We made alot of decisions and I appreciate your input and helping us move forward.

NOW for the next big event, "THE COOKIE WALK" which this year will be Saturday, December 13th from 9:00 - 12:00. We need all UMW members to bake and bake cookies for this to be a success. Ladies please have all your cookies to the church fellowship hall by 1:00 on Friday, December 12th. Any of you who can stay and help us get set up for Saturday morning we will be bagging and decorating on Friday afternoon. Then we will meet at the church at 8:00 on Saturday morning to get ready to open the doors at 9:00 for the sale. So please let your circle leader know if you will be able to help us either on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. We hope to make this an annual event for us but it will take each member to bake your favorite Christmas cookie and come join us. This will be a great mission for us so that we may give to other missions that are in need.



For those church members that are not a UMW member mark your calendars for Saturday, December 13th to stop by the church that morning and buy some cookies. These make a great little Christmas gift. I know the variety of cookies that we will have you are sure to find some of your favorites. So don't forget us on December 13th from 9:00 - 12:00.

Ladies I want to thank you so much for another year of supporting UMW and the missions that we choose to contribute to. With out each of you we could not do these missions. Each year I think this is my last as President and then it seems that God has a different idea for that decision. So I am so looking forward to 2009 working with you all again, I continue to learn more and more about our purpose and all the work that UMW women do from local to world wide and it only happens because of all of you and a world of UMW ladies just like you giving to others. The following ladies will be with me in 2009 as your board, Cindy Ferguson vice pres, Judy Lienemann sec/tres, Betsy Swaim Spiritual Growth Leader, and Doris Shoebridge reading program. So it ought to be another great year.

I hope that each of you have a Blessed Christmas and Holiday Season.

Blessings to each of you,  
Debbie Smith



### HOPE CIRCLE

To All Hope Circle Members and Friends,  
Thank you for participating in Hope Circle in 2008, for pledging in support of the UMW General budget, and for your attendance at meetings on the local and District level. We elected new officers in November - June Reese, President; Bonnie Maddox, Vice President; Mary Mikolajczak, Secretary; and Diane Stiles, Treasurer. Our word study program this year was an opportunity to get to know each other better in small break-out groups. We all learned "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" through repetition as we closed each meeting in a friendship circle. Thank you Nancy Reichert, June Reese, and Judy Harrar for serving with me as officers.

Our final get together of the year is the traditional Christmas Salad Luncheon in the home of the president. Directions to my home will be provided in the church bulletins prior to December 4. Please bring a salad or dessert that serves 8-10 and a wrapped gift for the Christmas gift exchange. Please call me in advance if you plan to attend (650-1232). It has been a pleasure to serve Hope Circle as leader. Our first meeting of the New Year will be the second Thursday, January 8, at noon in Fellowship Hall, because of the holiday on January 1.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,  
Judy Lienemann

### CARE CIRCLE

Care Circle is meeting on Monday, December 8th for the annual Christmas Party at Gini Abee's home. We will start our festivities at 6:30 p.m. with soup and pot-luck goodies. The gift exchange present is to be \$10-15. Our Christmas mission project will be providing some cheer for the six children at Seacoast - please contact Barbara Ramsbottom for more information or be prepared to make a love donation. We will be taking a group picture - wear your holiday colors! Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Barbara Ramsbottom, 650-8825

### JOY CIRCLE CHRISTMAS PARTY

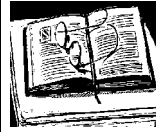
Joy Circle will meet at Bee Swartz's home at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 9th. Please bring a dish to pass. We will be traveling to Ann Smith's home for desserts, coffee and tea. Bring your money for the Christmas Project. Please call Bee Swartz if you are unable to come or for more information 238-3002.

### MARY BAKER CIRCLE

On Wednesday, December 10, we will meet at Damon's for lunch. We will bring small gifts for residents at National Healthcare. If you have not signed up and would like to attend, please call Elaine Paige at 238-1320.

### QUEST CIRCLE

Quest Circle will meet at Terry Seniors' home in Murrells Inlet. Date will be determined at a later time. Watch the church bulletin for information.



### UMW READING PROGRAM

Queen Noor is missing! At least her story "A Leap of Faith," has not been signed out. Do you have it? If so, please return it as soon as you have finished reading it. A reminder for all-if you take a book be sure to sign the card in the front of the book and place it in the plastic envelope on the book shelf. When you return the book, replace the card in it. Please do not keep the book too long—others may want to read it. Our newest book, "The Gift of Change," in the Spiritual Growth category is a gift from Debbie Smith. Remember—R.R.

### FRIENDLY SENIORS

Friendly Seniors will meet Tuesday, December 16 at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Along with your covered dish, please bring a canned or boxed food item for Helping Hand. Also, we will continue with our book exchange. Join us!



*Dear Friends,*

*We are overwhelmed by your generosity. In the Methodist church, we pledge to support our church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service. We have been reminded of this pledge often in the last month.*

*Your prayers and your presence, both in person, and on the Drew's World webpage are the power that keeps us moving forward each day. Your gift of money is a God-send as we travel the road between Charleston and Myrtle Beach for Drew's care. Your service to God in loving and helping us through these days strengthens us more than you know. Thank you...for everything.*

*Love,*

*Laurie, John and Drew Lattin*

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."  
Philippians 4:13*



*My Dad & I would like to thank you all so much for your visits, cards, Halloween candy and most of all your prayers when he was in the hospital and nursing home during the past 2 months. He enjoyed having people from the church visit and still comments about the thoughtfulness of people he had never met. You make me proud to be a member of such a caring church.*

*Love,*

*Tommy Wilson and Sandy McFarlane*



### **UMW ANNUAL COOKIE WALK SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

**9:00am - 12:00pm**

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Come fill a Christmas bag with your choice of homemade cookies & candies. Perfect for holiday entertaining or gift-giving! Funds raised will be donated to a UMW Mission. Mark your calendars and come get all your favorite cookies.

### UNITED METHODIST MEN

United Methodist Men will have our last meeting of the year on Thursday December 11th, at 6:30 p.m. in the FLC. This will be our annual Christmas Family Feast, where UMMen sign up to bring food, such as salads, side dishes and desserts and we'll provide the meat. All UMMen and their families are invited to eat and enjoy each other's company. We will also install the new leadership for 2009. Dress festive and we'll see you there.

As for me, this is my last month as President of United Methodist Men. As of the date I wrote this, we have yet to have our November meeting so I can't tell you the name of the new UMMen President for 2009. I can tell you that they will be dedicated to furthering the mission of United Methodist Men at Surfside United Methodist Church. We are a growing and dedicated group and we are always looking for new members to join us in our quest to be more Christ-like in our lives.

I say a big Thank You to all of the UMMen members and everyone in our church family and community that has helped and supported us over the last year and I look forward to helping our new leadership in the coming year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to YOU and may we all have a blessed New Year!  
~John Ferguson

### BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Thursday December 18<sup>th</sup> the United Methodist Men and the Surfside United Methodist Youth Group will again host a Christmas party in our Family Life Center for the kids of the Boys and Girls Club and their families. Last year with over 100 people in attendance Santa made an appearance and distributed gifts to all the kids from the Myrtle Beach and Atlantic Beach clubs. The Men will once again purchase and cook the dinner and the youth will serve and wait on our guests as well as play elves to help Santa deliver Christmas gifts to the kids. In addition, the youth will shop, purchase and wrap gifts for 18 kids from the club's Angle Tree. This is the largest mission expense the youth group has for the year as they will spend app. \$100 per kid.

This Christmas party has truly become a church wide event as the United Methodist Women circles has been so kind as to again provide the desserts for this wonderful event and the Children's Choir will once again provide entertainment by singing Christmas songs for the joyous occasion. A big thanks goes out to both of these groups for participating.

If any church member would also like to sponsor a youth from the B & G Angel Tree program please let me know and I can get you all the information needed.

Jim Neely  
United Methodist Men  
United Methodist Youth Group



### ADULT MUSIC PROGRAMS

This coming Advent, our Spirit Singers and chamber orchestra will combine to present Joseph Martin's "Voices of the Season" during both worship services on Sunday, December 14. This dramatic cantata is filled with classic carols as well as newly composed anthems. Brilliant orchestrations and poetic narrations complete this joyous Christmas gift that shines new light upon the miracles surrounding the birth of Jesus, awakening in us a sense of the divine, and filling us with child-like wonder. Let the words and music of this cantata draw you close to the manger and open your heart to the unexpected glories of this season of wonders.

Our Jubilation Ringers will present seasonal music during both worship services on December 7. Mark your calendars to come to Brookgreen Nights of 1,000 Candles to hear our bell choir present a full program on Friday and Saturday, December 19 and 20, at 5:00, 6:30 and 7:30 pm. Pastor Kim will be joining on various percussion instruments.

Also performing at Brookgreen Gardens' Nights of 1,000 Candles will be Duo Ingle, (Glynis Hopkins and Lisa Cou-ture) on piano and flute. They will present traditional and classical Christmas selections on December 6, 13, 18 and 19 at the Welcome Center Tent and in the Gardens.

Our fundraising efforts for the June 2009 Carnegie Festival have raised over 25% of our goal thus far. Thank you for your generous support! We will have our monthly bake sale before and after worship services on December 7. There will also be several concerts in 2009 given to help with the funding of our trip. Please watch future newsletters for details and continue your support.

~Glynis Hopkins

The choir will be having their monthly fundraiser bake sale for their trip to New York City, Carnegie Hall, after the 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. services on **December 6th**. This fundraiser-bake sale will be held the 1st Sunday of each month thru May, 2009.

**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**-You are cordially invited to the 12th Annual "Service of Remembrance" at Hillcrest Cemetery on Saturday, December 6 at 5:30 p.m. Plan to arrive early and enjoy light refreshments. A short worship service will be held at 5:30 p.m. led by Rev. Mac Kinnett. Inspirational music will be provided by Mrs. Kristi Brown Johnson. The service will conclude with the lighting of approximately eight thousand luminaries.

**SPIRIT NIGHT UPDATE**

Our Wednesday **Spirit Night** gatherings are going gggrrrrreeeeeeaaaattt!

If you have not yet been able to join us, we have many opportunities for you to participate throughout the month of December!

**Spirit Night** begins with a delicious and filling meal served from 5:15-6:15PM. Our menu varies from week to week, but we list all menu items in the bulletin on the Sunday prior to the Wednesday serving. For just \$5.00 per person, your meal includes an entrée, vegetable, roll, dessert and beverage! Children's meals are \$3.00, and hot dogs are available for children as an alternative to the dinner menu. Sign up forms for **Spirit Night** are located in the church lobby and are available every Sunday morning for the upcoming week. Also, you may call the church office or sign up online via the [www.surfsideumc.org](http://www.surfsideumc.org) website. You only need to make a reservation if you are planning to join us for the meal.

At 6:15PM, Pastor Scott leads us in a time of announcements and prayer and then we disperse to our various classroom activities! For the children, Children's Choir is available, led by Leigh Gamble and assisted by several willing and committed parents! For the youth, there are fellowship opportunities and Christian lessons led by our Youth Director, Jon Marcus. And for the adults, there are three separate Bible Study/Spiritual Growth classes offered, led by Craig Miller, Pastor Scott and Pastor Kim.

The evening ends at 7:30PM.



While the aforementioned is a typical agenda for every Wednesday night gathering, we will have a special **Spirit Night** fellowship on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will begin that evening with our fellowship meal at 5:15PM, but instead of

Bible Study and Spiritual Growth classes, we will gather in the sanctuary for a **Hanging of the Greens** service.

**The Hanging of the Greens** is a worship service. Coming at the beginning of Advent, it is meant to focus our eyes on the real meaning of Christmas. The purpose of the **Hanging of the Greens** service is to decorate the church for Advent, and show, by using music and sharing some of the legends and customs, that the decorations we use have a religious significance and are meant to glorify God.

Please plan to make.....**Spirit Night**.....a regular routine in your weekly schedule. We'd love to have you participate in this opportunity to grow in faith and love with our church family.



**CAN YOU HELP US FIND OUR LOST SHEEP?**

We do not have an address for the following members. Can you help us? If you know someone from this list, please call Kesha in the church office 238-2734.

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|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Sheryl Ackley     | Selma Graves        | Alvin Pickens      |
| Angela Adams      | Michelle Hackett    | Laura Pohlman      |
| Janet Adams       | Misty Hagy          | Mike Pohlman       |
| Rachel Adams      | Kelley Hancock      | Sharon Pohlman     |
| Lara Cettei Adler | Cecil Haney         | Don Pruitt         |
| Karen Allen       | Ivy Hanks           | Jamie Pruitt       |
| Kevin Atkins      | Beth Hardee         | Shannon Pruitt     |
| Tina Atkins       | Diane Hardee        | Hattie Pugh        |
| Jean Bailey       | Ed Hardee           | Kevin Reilly       |
| Kimberly Baumann  | Julia Hardee        | Mitzie Rhodes      |
| John Benton       | Peggy Hastings      | Larry Risher       |
| Cathy Blankenship | Forrest Heath       | David Ritch        |
| Madge Blanton     | Casey Jones         | Robin Ritch        |
| Georgia Bodkin    | Hazel Jones         | Dwight Roberts     |
| Bart Bodkin       | Jerry Kirk          | Sheila Roberts     |
| Kathy Bracy       | Richard Kotwa       | Anne Rogers        |
| Julia Brown       | Michelle Kotwa      | Charles Rogers     |
| Laura Bryan       | Faye Krumnacher     | Stacey Singleton   |
| Lucia Burchell    | Gene Krumnacher     | Jim Sinkway        |
| Budd Capps        | Jean Long           | Tony Smith         |
| Pam Cary          | Judy Long           | Rhonda Smith       |
| Todd Cary         | Cynthia Lower       | Cherie Snyder      |
| Matthew Cettei    | Jane Lower          | Harold Stanley     |
| John Conness      | Warren Lower        | Lena Stanley       |
| Ryan Cooke        | Steve Maddox        | William Suggs      |
| Deborah Crews     | Margarette McDaniel | Richard Swanson    |
| Jim Crews         | Charles McGinnis    | Sandy Swanson      |
| Sherry Dartz      | Mazie McGinnis      | Florence Thacker   |
| Tracy Davis       | Chip McIntyre       | Tammie Thaggard    |
| Michael Dibble    | Gab McMeekin        | Donna Thompson     |
| Linda Edwards     | Jean-Paul Michaud   | Reed Tripp         |
| Julia Ellerbe     | Marlene Norton      | Sheila Tripp       |
| Keith Evans       | Shawn Norton        | Clara Vanderlinder |
| Frank Facini      | Dot Pedersen        | Robin Vansplinter  |
| Britton Franks    | Heather Peek        | Ann Vantrigt       |
| Linda Franks      | Melanie Peek        | Diane Wadsten      |
| Sandy Gallagher   | Zach Peek           | Pam Young          |
| Jan Garner        | Harry Peeler        |                    |

**HOST CLASSES FOR SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP TIME**

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| December | Discipleship Class  |
| January  | Fellowship Class    |
| February | International Class |
| March    | Discovery Class     |



**DECEMBER USHERS**

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| <u>8:30 AM</u>   | <u>11:00 AM</u>  |
| Ted Kershner (C)<br>Lloyd Chinnes<br>Brad Hatoway<br>Steve Moore | Chester Abee (C)<br>Joe Dowling<br>Gary Livesay<br>Ronnie Norton |

# SURGE (UMYF)

Surge,

November has been an absolutely awesome month. Between the camping trip, our regular youth meetings, and the work being done in the youth room, November cannot be described as anything but great. If you haven't been upstairs to see our youth room recently, please do so! It's amazing the work that has been done up there!

Oh, and the cold *FINALLY* got here! Don't you love it!?

The camping trip to Camp Monroe was a blast. We had great food, great weather, and a well kept camp fire. As I said that weekend, fall retreats are my favorite trip out of everything we do. It was nice to just get away from all the Myrtle Beach noise with all of you, relax, and take a physical and spiritual rest. And even though I wasn't participating on the ropes course, it was fun watching all of you learn and work together as a team. I continue to build strong friendships with each of you, and our time at camp was a part of that. Oh, and no matter what any youth say, I did not steal *ANY* canoe paddles. They were given to me. Besides, youth pastors don't steal, they borrow! It was a great weekend, no doubt!

We have a few more events coming up in closing out the year. By the time you get this newsletter, we will have completed our first annual Lock-In. I'm sure it was a great time joining with Palmetto Shores and Live Oak Church, playing laser tag and solving Clue. Coming up, remember the Senior High and Junior High service projects on December 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. Senior High will be leaving for NC for the weekend and the Junior High will be doing their service project on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. More information will be given about that soon, so make sure you're checking your email! NOTICE: We will be having Youth Group on December 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00!

Also, we will have our Christmas party on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-10:00. Make sure to bring a wrapped, five dollar gift (please don't spend more than five dollars!).

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, we will be starting youth group A LOT earlier. Plan to be at the church around 2:00. We will be buying and wrapping presents for the Boys and Girls Club.

That's it for November! Remember our Wednesday night study! Dinner is at 5:30 and we are all through at 7:30.

Last, I want to say thank you to all of you. As of November 13<sup>th</sup>, I have been here with you for 3 months. I have loved my time here getting to know all of you; youth and congregation. The passion and support that this church has shown our youth ministry is unbelievable, and it only makes my job easier and this ministry stronger. THANK YOU!!

Happy Thanksgiving!!

Jon Marcus

Director of Youth, Young Adults &  
FLC Ministries

Merry Christmas!



## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
12/7	Maggie Warner	Grant Tuttle
12/14	Danielle Ives	Haley Altman
12/21	Devin Melko	Taylor Josephs
12/28	Conor O'Brien	Logan Conness

**WE ARE IN NEED OF A PHOTOGRAPHER!** We need someone to take photos of the bell choir promptly at 7:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. at their rehearsal Monday, December 1 in the sanctuary. Also, to take photos of the spirit singers and chamber orchestra promptly at 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. Sunday, December 14. Please call Bruce French at 650-2044 if you can help.



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**Leigh Gamble, Children's Choir Director**  
**Carol Ann Thrall, Preschool Director**

**Sunday**-Morning Worship 8:30 & 11:00 AM, Fellowship Time 9:30 AM, Church School 9:45 AM

**Monday**-Art Class 9:00 AM, Staff Meeting 12:00 PM, Bell Choir 7:15 PM  
**Tuesday**-Craft Club 9:00 AM

**Wednesday**-Prayer Group 9:00 AM, Bible Study 10:00 AM, Spirit Night 5:30-7:30 PM, Spirit Singers 6:30-8:30 PM



# December 2008



**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

	1 Cub Scouts 5:00-7:00 AA Meeting 5:30 Surge Volunteers 6:00 Grand Strand Jr. Volleyball 6:00	2 AA Meeting 5:30 Cub Scouts 6:00	3 Hanging of the Greens Service 6:30	4 Hope Circle 12:00 AA Meeting 5:30 Cub Scouts 6:30	5 AA Meeting 5:30	6 Surge Mission Trip 5th-7th
7 Communion 8:30 Choir Bake Sale Jubilation Ringers at both services Surge 5:00-7:00	8 Care Circle 6:30 Cub Scouts 5:00-7:00 AA Meeting 5:30 Grand Strand Jr. Volleyball 6:00	9 Joy Circle 5:00 AA Meeting 5:30 Cub Scouts 6:00	10 Mary Baker Circle 12:00	11 AA Meeting 5:30 UMMen 6:30 Cub Scouts 6:30	12 AA Meeting 5:30 Surge Christmas Party 7:00	13 Cookie Walk 9:00-12:00 Spirit Singers Cantata Rehearsal 9:00-12:00
14 Christmas Cantata at both services Surge 2:00	15 AA Meeting 5:30 Grand Strand Jr. Volleyball 6:00	16 Friendly Seniors 12:15 AA Meeting 5:30	17	18 Brownie Troop 4:45 AA Meeting 5:30 Boys & Girls Club Christmas Party	19 AA Meeting 5:30	20 Jubilation Ringers at Brookgreen Gardens' Nights of a Thousand Candles, 5:00, 6:30 & 7:30
21 Children's Choir Program Surge 5:00-7:00	22 AA Meeting 5:30 Grand Strand Jr. Volleyball 6:00	23 AA Meeting 5:30	24 Church Office Closed Christmas Eve Services 5:30, 7:00, & 11:00	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i> Church Office Closed AA Meeting 5:30	26 Church Office Closed AA Meeting 5:30	27
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