

MESSENGER MAY 27, 2020

Dear Faith Harbor Friends,

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is the day regarded as the birthday of the Church, when the Holy Spirit came in the form of flaming tongues of fire and enabled the followers of Jesus to bear witness to Christ in powerful ways. The Holy Spirit continues to empower the Church to bear witness for Christ even today.

We will again be offering an outdoor worship service this Sunday at 9:20 (weather permitting) as well as an online service that will be available on our website. We invite those attending the outdoor service to wear fiery colored clothing (red, yellow, orange) as an expression of the fire of the Holy Spirit. In spite of the references to fire, we are planning to keep you cool by erecting a canopy tent to provide shade. We will also have bottles of cold water available. We will have chairs available, but invite you to bring your own chair, sun protection and insect spray.

If the weather this Sunday is questionable, please check your email and our website for an announcement about the service.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Grace and peace,

Pastor David

Week of 05-25-2020 Scripture card

Centering Prayer: Thank you for opening heaven's door for me, Lord Jesus.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 124

M John 14:1-3
T Philippians 3:20-21
W Revelation 21:1-4
T 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18
F 1 John 5:11-13
S John 5:24

Key Scripture: John 14:6: Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

May 28th at 6:30pm



Church Leadership Council Meeting

TO UMW MEMBERS AND CHURCH MEMBERS

I have received information from the NC Conference regarding the **AGAPE** program. The Conference has asked us to help fund AGAPE for Armenia and Artsakh instead of doing the usual Christmas Shoe Boxes this year. They have enough boxes to give the children for this Christmas, but need funds to keep the program going. These donations would help fund the meager salary for the Director, Nara Melkonyan. Remember she came and shared with our congregation this past year. They also need funds for the children's home, a hospital, a clinic, and an after-school program. Also donations help buy cows, chickens, and garden tools for families.

I would like to suggest to the congregation that it would be nice if we could make a donation at least to what would be spent to fill the shoebox. We have enjoyed doing this ministry each year, so I hope folks would like to participate in a different manner.

The checks can be written to the church, Faith Harbor, and just put **AGAPE** in the memo section. I ask that everyone [respond by June 28 if possible.](#)

Thank you to those who have already sent a donation for this ministry.

Anita Phillips, UMW President



JOIN OUR
STUDY

We will be beginning a new book study using "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann Voskamp.

The study guide is optional. Books can be found online at eBay, Amazon and Target to name a few.

We will be meeting **via Zoom** starting **Thursday, June 4th at 6:30.**

If you are interested in joining, please email Kim King at kdking60@gmail.com.

Let us draw
near to God with
a sincere heart in
full assurance
of faith...



PRAYER CONCERNS Members Jim Ace, Jonathan Adams, Scott Adams, Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, Connie Carroll, Ed Drudge, Cal and Diane Geary, Stephanie Hardin, Kellie Henry and Family, Gail Kaufmann, Linda Kimrey, Janice Long, Neal McHenry, Martha Marlow, Patsy Mathews, Doug and Sherry Mewborn, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, Larry Modlin, Judy Pratt, Nathan Redd, Nancy Smith, and Kelly Wills.

Military: Joe Fraley, Sg. Joey Horne, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Anthony Ripley, David Ritz.

Friends: Sam and Robin Allen, Willie Ray Arnett, Paul Arnett, Al Avant, Jesse Bailey, Rudolph Batts, Rev. Dr. Daniel Sasaro Brewer, George Brodgen, Del Brouwer, Candie, Kathy Carlston, Carole and Blaine, Carter, Kathy Clapp, Tobey Ferry, Jan Foster, Pastor Gary Gandy, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Marlene Grove, Gene Harris, Roy Horne, Joanne, Donna Johnson, Major Jones, Katrina Lolar, daughter of Ava White, Dr. Jack Kem, Kody, Craig Jenkins, Brenda Leonard, Liza, A.J. Long, Doreen Luisi, Nancy McAloney, Andrea (Ann) Maready, Douglas Mathis for healing after surgery, Ernie Mazzei, Michelle, Monica, Vann and Ann Moore, Sarah Moyer, Nathan, Sherri Nelson, Chuck Osburn, Becky and Phil Osborne, Dot Phillips, Penny Roberts, Rosie, Tania Roth, Betty Saunders, Nancy Serriano, Bear Shenemen, Jonathan Sloan, Katrina Seferyn, Maria Sutton, Sue Sutton, Sister Monique Schwirtz, Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, Jennifer Tower, Andrea Wright, and Bill Zell. Any family member of our members or friends that are in a hot spot for this pandemic.

BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

- 29 Vonda Gardner
- 30 Chaundel Medlin
- 31 Cal Geary



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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|----|--------------------------|----|-----------------|
| 1 | Jim Ellis | | |
| | Bobby Phillips | | |
| 4 | Savannah Grace Harrison | | |
| | Charlie Medlin | | |
| | Noah Sulwer | 18 | Lydia Blackburn |
| 5 | Melissa Schlienkofer | | Paula Hopper |
| | Amanda Williams | 21 | Nancy McCurtin |
| 6 | Jackson Moore | 25 | Tony Merlino |
| 9 | Aiden Moore | | Alan Sasser |
| 10 | Penny Rogers | 26 | Lisa Byrd |
| 11 | Jim Ace | 27 | Cameron Kane |
| 13 | Nathan Scott Smith-Lopez | 30 | Sydney Burgess |
| 17 | Spencer Henry | | Donna Fisher |
| | Courtney Kane | | |

(IN CASE YOU MISSED IT LAST WEDNESDAY)

A MESSAGE FROM MELISSA SCHLEINKOFER- CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Earlier today I sent out an e-mail to all families with information and lessons for Memorial Day weekend and Pentecost Sunday coming up soon.

Also in this e-mail the following information was provided.

In other news it is with sorrow that we will be *canceling our VBS for the 2020 year*, "Knights of North Castle, The Quest for the King's Armor". I had purchased materials prior to closures so we will be using it instead for the summer of 2021. We are however hoping to have some sort of community back to school celebration in place of it come August, but as for now we are waiting to see.

Blessings,

Melissa Schleinkofer

Children's Ministry Director

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MESSAGE FROM JEWELS SWAIN, YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR

Greetings Faith Harbor UMC Family & Friends

Hope this note finds each of you safe and doing well during this stay at home order.

Please see below information about bAsiC (Brothers & Sisters in Christ) Summer Youth events.

I just wanted to give you all an update on the status of the Confirmation Retreat that was canceled in March by the Foundation for Christian Formation and the High School Summer Mission trip that we normally go on in July with the organization Team Effort.

- ❖ The organization that conducts our Confirmation Retreat has rescheduled for the weekend of Sept. 11-13, 2020. More information to come as date gets closer.
- ❖ Next, after much consideration and guidelines from Governor Cooper and from the United Methodist Church's "Modeling for Renewing Face to Face Community & Worship" guide, we have decided to cancel our High School Summer Mission Trip this year. With this being such a "fluid" and ever changing situation with the Covid 19 Pandemic, it wouldn't be prudent to move forward with this type of event at this time. Bishop Ward of the NC UMC recommends that we practice the art of **"mission in place"** and consider types of local mission opportunities sometime after Phase 2 (which would put us at end of June, early July potentially).

I would love us to be able to do some local mission work with our youth and I am looking into possible options for all of our youth (Middle and High School) to participate in when it becomes safe to do so.

These opportunities may need to be offered in smaller groups at different times and/or days as to abide by social distancing guidelines in place at that particular time. Also- If possible, sometime after Phase 2, it would be great to organize some type of Youth Beach Day outing or other outing where we could all see each other, but still be able to spread out in order to observe whatever social distancing is recommended. Of course, your youth's safety & well being is of utmost importance in the planning of any & all potential events. I will be in touch with more information soon about any upcoming mission opportunities or events.

Also, If you have any suggestions about creative ways for our youth group to participate in Local missions or other ideas, please feel free to contact me. Until then, may God continue to bless you and keep you all in his care. Many thanks for your ongoing love and support for our youth and their families! 😊

Grace & Peace,
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Dear Members and Friends of Faith Harbor UMC,

Please accept my personal and sincere gratitude for your on-going and generous support of Share The Table!

Your engagement in this important ministry impacts more than 1,000 families on a continuing basis. We are so thankful!

Blessings to you All.

Kind Regards,

Dr. Alan Sasser, STT Board of Directors

FYI..... Share The Table was founded in 2010 by Dawn Ellis, Executive Director and Faith Harbor UMC. It was organized to serve a weekly meal and provide a food pantry. It serves so many in our community through the food pantry, backpack program and the weekly meal. In 2019 it distributed 379,921 pounds of food. That equates to 319,934 meals. Dawn says that our volunteers are the heart and soul of Share The Table.

Share The Table is a faith-based non-profit 501(c)(3) organization supported by seven charter churches, community churches, civic organizations, and local businesses in Pender and Onslow Counties. To find out more and how you can help, visit www.sharethetablenc.com.