

MESSENGER JUNE 10, 2020

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

As we continue in this strange season of not being able to gather together as we were previously accustomed, I am grateful for the many ways that you are reaching out to one another as a church family, through calls, cards, visits from an appropriate social distance, and Zoom meetings. A few months ago most of us did not know what a Zoom meeting was, but we have since learned they are a very effective means of staying in touch with loved ones, conducting staff meetings, and even engaging in group book studies.

Along those lines I am happy to announce that beginning next Wednesday, June 17th we are offering a short-term, Zoom Bible study on the book of Ruth. The study will take place on four consecutive Wednesdays beginning at 7:00 pm and ending by 8:15 pm. Our interns David Kim and Tony Mayotte will take turns with me in leading the study sessions. If you are interested in participating, please shoot me a text (919-637-2245) or send me an email (dlking57@gmail.com) providing your email address. I will then send you an email invitation to join the Zoom Bible study meetings.

As for Sunday worship, we will be making a decision later this week about our 9:20 outdoor service. The weather forecast as of today places that service somewhat in jeopardy. We are also aware of COVID-19 cases hitting very close to home for us, and we realize the need to be especially diligent in our practices of social distancing. We will not hold the 9:20 outdoor service if we are not confident that we can safely do so. Please look for an email from me by Saturday afternoon to inform you of our decision.

Until then, be blessed, stay well, and pray for the healing of our land.

Peace and blessings,
Pastor David

Week of 06-08-2020 Scripture card

Centering Prayer: O God, reverse and redeem my regrets.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 103

M 1 John 1:9

T Isaiah 43:18-19

W Joel 2:25-27

T Micah 7:18-19

F Romans 8:1-5

S Hebrews 8:12

Key Scripture: Psalm 103:12: As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

FATHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER 2020

Only one more week to get the information to Judy

DEADLINE IS JUNE 15TH

We are continuing our tradition of a Father's Day fundraiser like the one we just did for Mother's Day.

For our bulletin on June 21st we will have an insert for the Father's Uncles, Grandfathers, Brothers and others we wish to honor or remember. Like Mother's Day it is free but if you wish to donate to a designated fund you may do so. Just mark your check or cash donation Father's Day Fundraiser. If no fund is designated the donation will go to the general fund.

You may send your information to Judy at secretary@faithharborumc.org so she can prepare the insert. Be sure to designate honor or memory for the person and give your name.

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

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, **Jim and Faye Graziano**, Stephanie Hardin, Kellie Henry and Family, Gail Kaufmann, Linda Kimrey, Janice Long, Neal McHenry, **Nancy McCurtin**, 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, **Jack, Clayann's brother in-law**, Willie Ray Arnett, Paul Arnett, Al Avant, Jesse Bailey, Rudolph Batts, Rev. Dr. Daniel Sasaro Brewer, George Brodgen, Del Brouwer, Candie, Kathy Carlston, **Chris Carroll**, Carole and Blaine, Carter, Kathy Clapp, Tobey Ferry, Jan Foster, Pastor Gary Gandy, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Marlene Grove, Gene Harris, Jewel's grandfather, Russell Heavner under Hospice care and Jewel's family, Roy Horne, **Leslie Irving**, 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, **Jimmy Platts**, Roberts, Rosie, Tania Roth, Betty Saunders, Nancy Serriano, Bear Shenemen, Jonathan Sloan, Katrina Seferyn, Maria Sutton, Sue Sutton, Sister Monique Schwartz, 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.



1	Jim Ellis
	Bobby Phillips
4	Savannah Grace Harrison

	Charlie Medlin		
	Noah Sulwer		
5	Melissa Schlienkofer	18	Lydia Blackburn
	Amanda Williams		Paula Hopper
6	Jackson Moore	21	Nancy McCurtin
9	Aiden Moore	25	Tony Merlino
			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		

Finance Report for May 2020 and Year to Date Totals

May contributions	\$35848.39 including \$8533 on line
Year to Date	\$157,925.25
Year to Date Budget	\$179,972.50

Because many of our budgeted expenses have been temporarily eliminated or significantly decreased we still have a positive cash flow.

Any questions contact Dale Osborn or Martha Vaughn

THRIFT STORE NEWS

- The Thrift Store reopened to the public May 13th with great response from our customers.
- We have guidelines for customers and clerks to wear mask and use hand sanitizer on entry.
- Customers limited to two at a time unless it is a family group. No public restroom available nor children allowed at this time.

We will not be hosting our bake sale goods currently, but hope to resume in the future.

Our Store volunteer clerks and Warehouse volunteer workers make a positive work team. **You are appreciated.**

In April the Thrift Store made a \$1,000.00 donation to Share The Table for Back Pac Ki

This is an appeal to our church family for young girls summer wear as our shelves are bare for 3 year old to 8 year old girls. **NO ADULT CLOTHING PLEASE.**

Problems that plague our operation:

We have had numerous things dropped on the Store porch/Warehouse porch and some donations put inside the Warehouse that are totally unacceptable, some is trash, rusty pans, chipped/cracked dishware, and damaged furniture pieces that are unsafe, etc. Also, items such as electronics/exercise equipment that we do not accept.

We appreciate all donations but we have been overwhelmed with items that need repaired or trashed, therefore the access code to **Warehouse will be changed**. Appointments must be made for all donations and furniture.

Also, note that Sherry Mewborn **(910)526-2573** will be at Warehouse on Mondays from 9AM to 11PM to accept donations or will make **an appointment for donors.**

Call : Thrift Store (910) 329-1336
Jean Hawley (910) 330-0760
Beth Walker (252)213-2240

*Thanks for your support in this regard.
Jean Hawley, Store Manager
Beth Walker Asst. Manager*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Backpack Program:

Faith Harbor in conjunction with Share The Table will be participating in the summer backpack program. In the past we have packed 100+ bags for the children in our area. This year we will be packing every other week. Please contact Barbara Poole at barbarapoole71@gmail.com/910.391.0897 if you are interested in packing the food, or contact Faye Graziano at fayestr46@gmail.com/910.264.6151 if you are interested in delivering the food to the homes.

Keep Me Dry Diaper Ministry

Our Diaper Ministry is in need of disposable diapers. Sizes 3, 4, 5 & 6 are of the greatest need. If you wish to donate money, please use our online giving link, and designate it to UMW/Diaper Ministry.

Highlights of Leadership Council:

Leadership Council of Faith Harbor UMC met via Zoom on May 28.

All department chairs gave reports.

- ❖ Finance shared that while giving is down to some degree, the expenditures are also down. We have been given a payroll protection plan grant, a waiver of principal on our mortgage and good usage of our online giving.
- ❖ Trustees have shared that we are purchasing a bus to replace our van, using the money donated by the congregation for a new van; the purchase of a tent to use in outside gatherings, such as our Sunday worship services; a request to purchase equipment in order to live stream services. All of these items will be used beyond the time of the pandemic and will be part of our future.
- ❖ SPRC shared that all who make our church run continue to do so well during this critical time. Children and Youth ministries are keeping in touch with our families, and even visiting while maintaining good distance.

- ❖ Our Building Committee Chairs shared updates on the work the various subcommittees were working on before the shutdown. Some of this work continues still.
- ❖ Share the Table is working beyond what they have done in the past to keep up with the demand. Changes regarding social distancing have been necessary, but have not prevented clients from getting what they need.
- ❖ The Thrift Store is back open with new guidelines, and Mercy Abounds is at work, helping our community.
- ❖ Kim King presented a new program called FAN: Faith, Action and Nutrition. We will learn more about this important program in the coming months.
- ❖ The next Leadership Council Meeting will be July 23rd either via Zoom or in person in the sanctuary.