

MESSENGER SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

HOW ABOUT THIS FALL LIKE WEATHER, AT LAST!!

ENJOY IT TODAY AND THROUGH THE WEEKEND

Sorry for the delay in sending this week's Messenger. Pastor David's email did not go through when he sent it to me. When it finally came I felt it was too late to send it out to you last night. So here is your news for the week.



Starting NEXT WEEK- we will be sending out the **MESSENGER on Friday instead of Wednesday.** You know when I came to Faith Harbor in 2009 that is what we did. We sent out the news for the next week which consisted mainly of e-mails sent to the office by members to remind everyone of important events or meeting, etc. So we are back to the good old days....**FRIDAY MESSENGER!!**

ALSO....The weekly scripture card will be in the Friday Messenger. It is on page 5 of this newsletter.

(From Pastor David)

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I want to take this opportunity to introduce you to a Bible study we will be offering at the church this Fall. If you have been wanting to get involved in a Bible study group that draws you closer to God and to other people in our church, I have some great news for you! **Beginning Tuesday, September 29th** we will be offering the study called *Experiencing God*. The subtitle to *Experiencing God* is "Knowing and Doing the Will of God." This 13-week study is based on seven Scriptural realities that teach us how to develop a true relationship with our Creator.

Some of you may be familiar with *Experiencing God*. It has been around for 30 years, although the current edition has been revised and expanded. A number of persons in our Faith Harbor family engaged in the study when it was offered in our church several years ago, and all of those I have spoken to about it highly recommend it. Some have said they would love to take it again if it is offered.

Here is what the author, Henry Blackaby, wrote about *Experiencing God*:

I have been overwhelmed by the response to Experiencing God.

So many lives have been radically changed: inmates, military personnel, lawyers, judges, CEOs, professional athletes, politicians, parents.

The study has transformed thousands of churches, high schools, colleges, and seminaries. Because of this study, countless people are now serving as missionaries, pastors, evangelists, and faithful servants. Only heaven truly knows all the ways God has used Experiencing God to impact the world.

If this seems like something that would interest you, please plan to join us at the church on **Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM beginning September 29th**. We will meet in the Sanctuary, and will practice the same safety guidelines that we are using for our in-person Sunday worship service (these guidelines can be found on our website). There will be a 20 to 30-minute video each week followed by group discussion. Each participant will receive a workbook with daily lessons and readings that correspond with the theme for each week. The cost of the workbook is \$12. Scholarships are available.

To help us with planning, it is important that we know how many people to expect. If you plan to attend, please send an email to Judy Clemmons at secretary@faithharborumc.org and inform her of your intentions to be a part of the study. If you are interested in participating in *Experiencing God* but you cannot attend on Tuesday evenings, please let me know. Depending on the response we get, it may be necessary to offer the study at a different time. We might even try a Zoom group if there is enough interest.

May you each be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. (Col. 1:9-10)

Peace and blessings,

Pastor David

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMORIAL SERVICE for *Glenn Luisi* will be at Faith Harbor UMC at 2:00pm on **Saturday, September 19th**. The Sanctuary is arranged for social distancing and all protocols will be followed to keep those attending safe. Plan to join Terri and the family to celebrate the life of Mr. Glenn.

SYMPATHY is extended to *Diane Geary and family* in the death of Mr. Cal on September 17th. May God grant peace and healing to this family. Continue to keep them in your prayers. **The memorial service for Cal Geary will be held at Faith Harbor on Saturday, September 26th at 1:00 PM. Please keep Diane and all of Cal's loved ones in your prayers.**

Members Jim Ace, Jonathan Adams, Scott Adams, Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, Connie Carroll, Frank Carroll, **Ed and Rebecca Drudge-Ed is now in Hospice Care, Diane Geary and Family**, Jim and Faye Graziano, Stephanie Hardin, **Courtney Kane**, Gail and Mike Kaufmann, Janice Long Terri Luisi and Family, Neal McHenry, Martha Marlow, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, Becki Modlin, Larry Modlin, Alma Osborn, Judy Paliotti and Jency, **Virginia Platts**, Nancy Smith, Dave Strohpaul, Alice Williams, Kelly Wills.

Military: Joe Fraley, Sg. Joey Horne, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray- John and Marsha Ray's Grandson, Anthony Ripley, David Ritz.

Friends: Willie Arnette, Rev. Dr. Daniel Sasaro Brewer, George Brodgen, Del Brouwer, Colin Campbell, Allison's Brother, Candie, Kathy Carlston, Chris Carroll, Carole and Blaine, **Children,** Chimer Clark, Kathy Clapp, Eddie, Tobey Ferry, Jan Foster, Pastor Gary Gandy, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Kelly and Amy Glass, Roy Horne, Leslie Irving, Joanne, Donna Johnson, Beth Kane and her father, Dr. Jack Kem, Kevin Kesterson. Kody, Craig Jenkins, Brenda Leonard, Liza, A.J. Long, Doreen Luisi, Nancy McAloney, Andrea (Ann) Maready, Beth Matthews, Ernie Mazzei, Ed Minnich, Michelle, Monica, Sarah Moyer, Nathan, Sherri Nelson, Chuck Osburn, Becky and Phil Osborne, **Parents,** Dot Phillips, Penny, Susan Penny, Jimmy Platts, Virginia Platts, Judy Pratt, Ronnie and Tona- Covid-19, Tania Roth, Betty Saunders, Nancy Serriano, Bear Shenemen, Jonathan Sloan, Katrina Seferyn, Allison Sutton, covid-19, Maria Sutton, Don Sweeney, Sister Monique Schwartz, **Teachers,** Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, , Andrea Wright, and Bill Zell.



The Tenth Anniversary of the Harbor Thrift Store is recognized this month.

We are surely blessed for the success enjoyed over the past ten years and appreciate all the volunteer clerks, warehouse workers, and faithful customers who make this success possible.

More importantly, we recognize that this success would not be possible without the generosity of the many donors of household furnishings, quality children's clothing, serviceable linens, home décor items, classy jewelry and seasonal decorations.

In reflection of this success, over the first seven years of operation the Harbor Thrift contributed \$122,000.00 to Faith Harbor United Methodist Church to help stabilize the financial status of the Church.

Also, in 2016 the Harbor Thrift Store made a pledge of \$40,000.00 to Build the Vision ,subsequently paying that pledge in full by 2018.

In 2017 as a ministry under the United Methodist Women the Harbor Thrift Store has continued to contribute all available funds for a variety of programs supporting women and children; with the primary agency being, Methodist Home for Children. Presently, the Harbor Thrift continues to support the Methodist Home For Children in addition to redirecting funds to several local programs, Mercy Abounds, Share The Table and Back Pack Kids Food needs and School Supplies.

Currently, the Thrift Store warehouse is almost bare, ***we need donations*** of all sorts : home furnishings, gently used children's clothing and baby equipment. Please no electronics or adult clothing.



The warehouse is open every Monday with Sherry Mewborn (910) 526-2673 being available to accept donations.

THANKS TO ALL FOR A WONDERFUL TEN YEARS IN OUR LABOR OF LOVE!!!!!!!

At other times drop off of donations at the warehouse may be made by calling one of our workers to schedule an appointment: Beth Walker (252)213-2240

Jean Hawley (910)330-0760

Sandy Taylor (540)420-6713

Gloria Richardson (704) 804-4909

Store Manager, Jean Hawley

Finance Report for August 2020 and Year to Date Totals

August contributions	\$34,950.00 including \$8547.00 on line
Year to Date Contributions	\$244,921.45
Year to Date budget	\$287,956.00

The challenge for the live streaming equipment has been met and once we receive an additional \$3100.00 the equipment, installation and all associated costs will have been fully donated.



ATTENTION – AVAILABLE-----

Handmade assorted cards sold in packs of five for a \$10.

They are located in the Narthex in a white crate on top of the red credenza at the double doors.

- This donation in full will go towards the LIVE streaming equipment.
- Take a peek and support a good and needed cause.

SHARE THE TABLE NEEDS....Back in Feb. we started different groups Adopting A Shelf at Share the Table and **Faith Harbor is to do condiments.** We need donations of ketchup, mustard, mayo, salad dressings, oils, sugar, flour etc. Bring them to the church or STT location.

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP WILL NOW MEET ON THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00AM IN THE SANCTUARY. BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR MASK.

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS: September 19th 10:00am Trustee Meeting
September 21st 6:00 pm Staff Parish
September 24th 6:00pm Leadership Council

Week of 09-21-2020 Scripture card

Centering Prayer: Thank you, God, for your gracious generosity to me.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 24

M Philippians 4:18-20
T Malachi 3:10-12
W 2 Corinthians 9:6-15
T Luke 6:37-38
F John 3:16
S Acts 4:32-35

Key Scripture: *Philippians 4:19: And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.*



September

BIRTHDAYS

18 Jimmy Platts
Mary Lynn Wood
19 Missy Carswell
20 Arness Krause
22 Jim Black
Frank Carroll

24 Frances Moore
26 Will Moore
27 Angie Jernigan
Ava Barnes
28 Jean Hawley
Michael Kauffman
Scott McArthur