

## MESSENGER NOVEMBER 20, 2020



### DECORATING THE CHURCH AND SANCTUARY FOR ADVENT

We will have our tree on Saturday November 28<sup>th</sup> (Thank you Shade for picking it up and delivering it to the church).

We **NEED VOLUNTEERS** on that day to help decorate the church and Sanctuary.

Here is what we need to do and we require anyone helping to wear their mask and we will social distance as best we can. The more helpers the better and we will start around 10:00 am.

- ❖ Put the lights and Chrismons on tree.
- ❖ Advent Wreath , Wreaths and Candles in windows.
- ❖ Set up our large Nativity scene.

Remember how beautiful it was last year. We are so blessed to have it.

Any questions contact Suzanne Fussell, chairperson of Worship and Planning Team.



Yes, we will have poinsettias in the Sanctuary Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> through Christmas Eve. The Worship Planning Team has ordered 36.

If you would like to pay for one of these plants to honor or remember a loved one at Christmas the cost this year is \$10.

You may put your check/cash in the offering plate, just mark it for poinsettias or pay online, just be sure to indicate for poinsettia.

You may pick your plant up after the Christmas Eve service.

They are on a **“first come-first serve”** basis this year.

Send the information of whom you are honoring or remembering to Judy at [secretary@faithharborumc.org](mailto:secretary@faithharborumc.org). The information will be compiled and put in the Messengers on December 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

So the **DEADLINE** to provide this information is Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.



## ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOK

Due to the pandemic this year we are trying to distribute the booklets.

Melissa Schleinkofer will distribute some to the families with kids in our Children's Ministry.

Jewels Swain will distribute some to her youth to share with their families.

Judy and Pastor David are mailing some to our shut-ins and homebound families.

There area about 30-40 at the church for those attending Sunday to get 1-per family.

We tried to order some more and found that they are not available at this time.

**HOWEVER** – The devotional as an e-book can be purchased at Cokesbury for \$1.29.

If you want one go to Cokesbury.com and order it. The item number is 9781791001704. It is called Advent: A Calendar of Devotions 2020 by Jenny Smith.

You may also call Cokesbury at 1-800-672-1789 to place your order.

This devotional grounds us with daily reminders of God's love as we navigate the busy weeks leading to the birth of Jesus, the light of the world. A Bible scripture, a message and closing prayer for each day through Advent will remind us that *“Love is on the way. It's becoming one of us. Are we ready to receive it?”*

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR  
HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO THE PANDEMIC.**



Harbor Thrift Store will open a **Christmas Shop.**

**NOW OPEN.....thru December 23rd.**

The shop will be located by the Harbor Thrift Store at Coral Ridge Station. The shop will have the same hours as Harbor Thrift with purchases paid for at Harbor Thrift. Hours are Wednesday - Friday 10 to 4 and Saturday 10 - 2.

**Come shop with us.**



Dear Faith Harbor Church Family,

It is the time of year when we think about thanking our Pastor and Staff for all that they have done over the past year. Certainly, 2020 has been a difficult year, and our church staff has worked hard to meet the challenges of offering meaningful worship and church ministries throughout these times.

Our annual **LOVE OFFERING** to our staff is our gift of appreciation for all their efforts in serving us throughout the year. Please be in prayerful contemplation about your gift. Love Offerings will be collected beginning this Sunday, November 22, 2020 until the end of the year. You may:

- Mail a check to the church office, marked LOVE OFFERING
- Give on-line and designate LOVE OFFERING
- Place an envelope (marked LOVE OFFERING) in the offering plate

Thank you for your loving generosity,

Staff/Parish Relations Committee

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To My Church Family,

Just wanted you all to know how much your prayers, calls, and many cards have meant to both of us during Ed's last journey in life.

The All Saints Sunday touched our son Kevin and me and also some family members who watched it on-line.

We have felt your love and concern.

Thanks so much for being there for us.

Love,  
Rebecca

## ***Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!***

I have good news for those of you who are ready for this year to be over: this Sunday is the last Sunday of the year ... on the Christian calendar, that is!

The Christian calendar begins each year on the first Sunday of Advent, which this year is November 29<sup>th</sup>. That means that this Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the last Sunday of the church year, known as Christ the King Sunday. We will acknowledge that occasion in worship this Sunday, and we will also commemorate the Thanksgiving holiday that our nation will be celebrating next week.

We all know that this will be a very different Thanksgiving than any of us have ever experienced, and with the kind of year this has been, it would be tempting to approach it with hearts that are not all that thankful. But when we really stop and think about it, as hard as this year has been for many of us, there is no shortage of things for which to be thankful. Our focus this Sunday will be on the good things all around us, all the time, that we take for granted. Whether you are able to join us in person or online, I hope your worship experience will be a reminder of God's goodness, all the time, and that you will find many reasons to be thankful in the coming week.

As mentioned, next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent, when we will have our traditional Hanging of the Greens worship service. That means that we need to have the church decorated the day before. Our tree will arrive mid-morning next Saturday, and we need volunteers to help decorate it along with the rest of the Sanctuary. If you can help, please plan to meet at the church on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.

May God bless you and keep you safe, and may you be ever aware of the abundance of things in your life for which to be thankful.

Peace and blessings,

*Pastor David*

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## **Week of 11-23-2020 Scripture card**

Centering Prayer: *Lord, grant that I might have a thankful heart!*

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 100

M Psalm 95:1-3  
T 1 Chronicles 16:23-26  
W Psalm 150  
T Ecclesiastes 5:18-20  
F Psalm 107:8-9  
S 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Key Scripture: *Psalm 100:4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.*

# IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

father, Gail and Mike Kaufmann, Janice Long Terri Luisi, Neal McHenry, Martha Marlow, Nancy Merlino, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, Becki Modlin, Larry Modlin, **Teri Ragan ODriscoll**, Judy Paliotti and Jency, Nancy Smith, Dave Strohpaul, Kelly Wills.

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

**Friends:** *Barbara Rummel's mom and Martha Marlow's mom, Christine*, Willie Arnette, Kim Audet, Rev. Dr. Daniel Sasaro Brewer, George Brodgen, Del Brouwer, Colin Campbell, Allison's Brother, Candie, Collin, Kathy Carlston, Cheryl, Chris Carroll, Carole and Blaine, **Children**, Chimer Clark, Kathy Clapp, Tobey Ferry, Jan Foster, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Kelly and Amy Glass, Judy Hoopes, Roy and Tony Horne, Donna Johnson, Kelly, Kevin Kesterson, **Sarah Kilpatrick**, Kody, Craig Jenkins, Brenda Leonard, **Lisa**, A.J. Long, **Logan, Loren and Martha**, Doreen Luisi, Nancy McAloney, **Sandy McVickers**, Andrea ( Ann) Maready, Beth Matthews, Ernie Mazzei, Ed Minnich, Michelle, Monica, Sherri Nelson, Chuck Osburn, Becky and Phil Osborne, Linda Parker, **Parents**, Dot Phillips, Penny, Susan Penny, Jimmy Platts, Virginia Platts, Judy Pratt, **Todd Rice**, Stanley and Ruby, Tania Roth, Nancy Serriano, Bear Shenemen, Jonathan Sloan, Katrina Seferyn, Maria Sutton, Don Sweeney, Sister Monique Schwirtz, **Teachers**, Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, , Andrea Wright, and Bill Zell.



## Calling all Green Thumbs!!!

## Faith Harbor UMC Adopt a Flower Bed Program



**We still need a few more volunteers!!**

In an effort to clean up the Church grounds and keep them looking "spiffy" all year long, the Trustees would like to ask for volunteers to adopt a flower bed. The idea is that you pick the flower bed you would like to care for and then you keep it free of weeds all year long; spread mulch when needed and trim back any bushes that might need a haircut!

Mulch will be provided by the church. All you need to do is spread it about once a year. A designated place will be provided where you can deposit weeds and clippings. You can

do this anytime you like – mornings, evenings, weekends, whatever best suits your schedule. We are hoping for our church grounds to look beautiful all year long.

We have 13 beds that need to be taken care of, 5 of which have already been claimed. If you are interested, please contact Doug Munjas at [damunjas@gmail.com](mailto:damunjas@gmail.com) and we can make sure you are all ready to get your hands dirty and green!

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## CALLING ALL CDL DRIVERS

(OR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE ONE!)

Our new church bus requires that the driver has a Commercial Driver's License with a passenger endorsement. If you have a CDL or you would be willing to get one, and you would be willing to be on a team of drivers, please contact Shade, Jewels or Pastor David. The church will reimburse all expenses associated with procuring a CDL for anyone who volunteers to drive the bus for church functions.

Pastor David King  
Faith Harbor United Methodist Church  
919-637-2245

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### Finance Report for October 2020 and Year to Date Totals

October contributions	\$29,353.00
Year to Date Contributions	\$301,158.57
Year to Date Budget	\$359,945.00

Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of Faith Harbor.

Finance Team

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**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.

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## **YOUTH NEWS**

### **\*Sunday, Nov. 22nd~**

Confirmation Retreat from 6-8pm in the Sanctuary (Dinner provided)

Group B (Younger High Schoolers & also 6th grade group) meet from 5-6:30pm in The Reef for Thanksgiving lesson

**\*Sunday, Nov. 29th~** No youth group meetings due to Thanksgiving w-end

**\*Sunday, Dec. 6th** at the 9:20am Service~ Confirmation Sunday

Sunday evening, Group A (Older High Schoolers & Older Middle Schoolers) meet from 5-6:30pm for Christmas lesson & Party!

**\*Sunday, Dec. 13th~**

Group B (Younger High Schoolers & also Younger Middle Schoolers-that includes 6th graders and Confirmation group) meet from 5-6:30pm for Christmas lesson & Party!

**\*No youth meetings over Christmas/Holiday break.**

**\*\*\*Regular Youth group meetings resume again on January 10th, 2021 with Group B.**

If you should have any questions about any of our Youth Programs, please contact Jewels Swain, FHUMC Youth Coordinator at 910-232-9844.

***Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Peace be with you, Jewels***

## **Faith Activity Nutrition (FAN) Spotlight**

I had the privilege of working with Melissa Schleinkofer and the children Wednesday evening during Jr. BASIC. Friends, she has embraced the FAN program completely. FAN encourages us as a church to incorporate healthy foods into our meals. The children had vegetable spaghetti (the spaghetti included 25% vegetables) and meatballs, fresh vegetables with ranch dip, applesauce and garlic bread. Their meal was nutritious, delicious and beautiful to the eye! The children also enjoyed a mini cupcake and small cup of ice cream! Great job, Melissa!

Let's all strive to incorporate healthy alternatives to our meals and step up our exercise!

Have a great week, friends!

Kim King



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| 3  | Harriet Byrd    |    |                |
|    | Mike Scott      |    |                |
| 5  | Fisher Taylor   |    |                |
| 7  | Garrett Burgess |    |                |
|    | Sandy Taylor    |    |                |
| 8  | Dale Osborn     |    |                |
|    | John Phillips   |    |                |
| 9  | Will Hornthal   |    |                |
| 11 | Cindy Arnold    |    |                |
| 12 | Baylor Osborn   |    |                |
|    | Seth Swain      |    |                |
| 14 | Hillary Horne   |    |                |
| 15 | Fiona Duddy     |    |                |
| 17 | Tyler Jernigan  |    |                |
| 20 | Wayne Jeno      |    |                |
|    | Eunice Lytton   |    |                |
|    | Paige Swain     |    |                |
|    | Kevin Taylor    |    |                |
| 21 | Doug Lowrey     |    |                |
|    |                 | 22 | Diane Secary   |
|    |                 | 23 | Rebecca Drudge |
|    |                 | 24 | Karen Martin   |
|    |                 | 25 | Aly Waldrop    |
|    |                 | 26 | Gail Kaufmann  |
|    |                 |    | Harley Taylor  |
|    |                 | 27 | Steve Cooney   |
|    |                 |    | Faye Graziano  |
|    |                 |    | Janet Hughes   |
|    |                 | 28 | Melanie Duddy  |
|    |                 |    | Steve Wells    |
|    |                 | 29 | Judy Pratt     |
|    |                 | 30 | Isla Butler    |