## MESSENGER June18, 2021

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

This coming Sunday is Father's Day, a day designated to celebrate and honor our fathers and those who have been like fathers to us. Father's Day is a secular (non-religious) holiday, yet, like it's counterpart Mother's Day, the intent and spirit of it is very much in keeping with the biblical commandment found in Exodus 20:12, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you."

In Ephesians 6:2, the apostle Paul refers to the commandment to honor your father and mother as "the first commandment with a promise." Paul means that this is the first and only one of the Ten Commandments to contain the promise of an outcome or a reward of blessing from God. Christians certainly believe that all of the commandments are meant for our benefit, and that we are blessed in keeping them; yet the commandment to honor our parents uniquely and specifically promises blessings for those who keep it.

During worship this Sunday we will take the opportunity to honor our fathers as we recognize and pray for them. In so doing, we will acknowledge that not all earthly fathers have been the source of love, support, strength or sustenance that they should have been. Indeed, every earthly father has fallen far short of exemplifying the heavenly Father they are meant to represent; yet each one is a beloved child of God and therefore deserving of our honor and respect.

I pray that all of the men of our church family will be blessed with a happy Father's Day. I pray also that our heavenly Father will provide comfort and peace to those for whom Father's Day brings sadness, disappointment or pain. May God our Father grant that it may go well with each one of us and that we may live long in this land He has given us.

Peace and blessings, Pastor David

## Week of 6-21 Scripture Readings

Centering Prayer: Lord, grant that I may be calm in the storms of life.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 65

M Matthew 8:24-27

T Psalm 107:29-30

W Philippians 4:4-7

T Psalm 23:4

F Isaiah 43:1-2

S Psalm 56:3

**Key Scripture:** Psalm 46:10 – Be still, and know that I am God.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**AC WINDOW UNITS**- The Thrift store has some window units available that will cool 1000 sq. ft. If you are interested in purchasing one of these units for \$25 please contact Jean Hawley at 330-0760, Beth Walker at 252 213-2240, or Gloria at 704 804-4909 and they will meet you at the warehouse to get the units.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-** The Finance Team of Faith Harbor is needing some volunteers to serve as offering counters on Sunday morning after worship. We require two counters each week and the counting is usually completed in approximately an hour. Please contact Bernie Poole if you would like to serve in this capacity. Thank you for your time and talent in volunteering to serve. Contact him at <a href="mailto:berniepoole71@gmail.com">berniepoole71@gmail.com</a> or 910.391.0896.

**MONDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY (MABS)** will begin a new study on July 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm in Room 6 at the church. Come join our group as Alan Sasser will lead us in another great study. It will be on the Gospel of Mark.

NEEDED FOR BACK PACK MUNCH PROGRAM - The food bags this year do not have handles so we are in need of some tall kitchen trash bags with draw strings. We put the paper bag in them for transporting and the bags are also protected from the weather when we deliver them or have to leave them on the clients porch. You may bring the bags to the church office. We will be doing the Munch Program until early September and we pack a large number of bags every other week. *Thanks for your help with this need.* 

## A FOCUS FOR 2021...PRAYER

The Christian life *without prayer* is like computer hardware without the software.

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know. Jeremiah 44:3



**Sympathy** is extended to **Mike Kaufmann and family** in the death of Gail on June 15, 2021. May God's peace and comfort be a blessing to this family in the days ahead.

*Members*: Jonathan Adams, Scott Adams, Nancy Buckman, Harriet Byrd, Connie Carroll, Dawn Ellis, Diane Geary, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, Brenda Munjas, and John Wilson.

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

Friends: Elizabeth Blair, Del Brouwer, Vicky Burge, Candie, Kathy Carlston, Cheryl, Chris Carroll, Carole and Blaine, Children, David, Wes Dunbar, Mary Pharr Erickson, cancer and husband Jae, Beverly Foley, Jan Foster, J.W. Gibson, Kelly and Amy Glass, Grayson-Cancer, Tara Hall, Grandmother Sue Heavner, Jewel's grandmother, Janine and Rudy, Donna Johnson, Kathy-Liver Cancer, Tammy and Nick Kefallinos-covid, Kelly, Janet Durman Kokran, Craig Jenkins, Paulette Kisner, Lisa, A.J. Long, Logan, Loren, Tim McCart, Ed Minnich, Rick Nauss, Ruth, Brenda Munjas' mother, Ruth Nordquist, Chuck Osburn, Parents, Dot Phillips, Penny, Susan Penny, Jimmy Platts, Virginia Platts, Judy Pratt, Sharon Ray, Todd Rice, Tania Roth, Katrina Seferyn, Skip and Marcia, Roxanne Smith, Stanley and Ruby, Maria Sutton, Sister Monique Schwirtz, Teachers, Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, and Bill Zell.

And all unnamed persons needing God's peace, comfort and healing.



The family of *Jim Ace* would like to extend our gratitude to the Faith Harbor UMC family and friends. Your expression of sympathy and love has comforted us during this difficult time. Your many acts of Christian hospitality through your cards, food, kind words and love have greatly touched our hearts. Thank you so much for caring for us, and celebrating Jim's 20 years with Faith Harbor.



Thank you to my church family for all the support and kindness you have given me over the years! I appreciate it so much.

Love, Paige Swain



To Our Faith Harbor Family,

Jim and I appreciate the lovely watercolor of the church and the reception following the service last Sunday as we were preparing to move to South Carolina. Faith Harbor UMC and all its members will always have a special place in our hearts.

We are saddened to leave our church family and we are grateful for all the prayers and well wishes that we will find a new church home.

Our new address is 116 Headwaters Drive

Summerville, SC 29483



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- Sydney Burgess 30 Donna Fisher