



Psalm 52.1-4: "Why do you boast, O mighty one of mischief done against the godly? All day long you are plotting destruction. Your tongue is like a sharp razor, you worker of treachery. You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth. You love all words that devour, O deceitful tongue."

In this Psalm, King David is referring to a man named Doeg the Edomite. Doeg had observed David coming to the Priest Ahimelech and asking for provisions and a sword. Doeg willfully and intentionally tried to harm David, and as a result of this treachery, the Priest Ahimelech, along with all the priests in Nob, were slaughtered. This is truly an atrocious example of loving evil and deception and treachery and lying. And the Psalmist points out that a deceitful tongue has the potential of devouring another.

When it comes to words of treachery, deception, lying, and evil – many innocent victims fall prey to these words. You can see in I Samuel 21-22 that Ahimelech had no idea that King Saul was trying to murder David – yet Doeg's words caused the slaughter of the innocent priests. We should pay close attention to our words. May our words be ones of truth and for the building up of the other. May our words be part of the ministry of reconciliation. May our words be ones that are inspired by the Holy Spirit and not governed by our desires and cares.

Letter from your Lay Leader

The church is "the gathering of Gods people", the church is about relationships. This is especially clear in the comparison of the church to a body. Just as a physical body is intricately interconnected, the church too depends upon the proper function of each individual part. When one part fails the entire body is affected. The individual church members are so amazingly interrelated that the health of the whole depends on the healthy function of each of us. This is, the great challenge, of course, because we believers come from such varied backgrounds and bring our individual baggage with us through the church doors. So even though we are different, we must work together in harmonious relationships, each carrying out, functions that are our given responsibility and gifts. This is why it's so critical to mend the misunderstandings and tend the wounded and broken parts. We are one in the Spirit, we are One in the Lord, and we are here to share the true gospel to a dying and corrupt world.

I am praying that all of you are first searching your hearts and asking the Lord to reveal to you any unconfessed sin, then once repenting of that sin coming before the Lord with a pure heart, praying and fasting for discernment. I have added once again the prayer I have been praying for our church for the past several weeks. Please join me in prayer and fasting for the Holy Spirits discernment for our Faith Harbor Family.

Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I pray You give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation in this time of discernment for our church, that we would know You better. I pray that You would give us a greater understanding in our hearts that we will know the hope to which You have called us and that we will know how rich and glorious Your blessings are and promises You have for Your holy people. Father, help us to since the power that you have for us who believe. I ask Lord in Your great glory to give us the power to be strong and inwardly through Your Holy Spirit. I pray that Christ will live in our hearts by faith and that our lives will be strong in love and be built on love. Lord, bless us with knowledge and understanding about Your love that we will see the difference between good and bad and will choose the good; that we will be pure and without wrong for the coming of Christ; that we will be filled with the good things produced in our lives by Christ to bring glory and praise to You O Lord. I also ask that we know fully what You want. I pray that we will have great wisdom and understanding in the spiritual things so that we will live the kind of life that honors and pleases You in every way. Father, help us to produce fruit in every good work and grow in the knowledge of You O Lord. That You will strengthen us with Your great power that we will not give up when troubles come, but that we will be patient. That we will joyfully give thanks to you Almighty God. With Your power working in us, You can do much, much more than anything we could ever ask for or imagine. To You be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus for all times, forever and ever, Amen.

Loving you Always Your Sister in Christ,

Jessica Blackburn FHUMC Lay Leader



Save the Date!

Pastor Philip would like to invite all friends and family of Faith Harbor to weekly Wednesday Night Suppers – *This is our Story.* Please join us for food, sharing stories and eating together.

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: Faith Harbor Narthex

Food provided and prepared by Pastor Philip...hope to see you all there!

UMW NEWS

The "Keep Me Dry" diaper program is a mission of the Faith Harbor Thrift Store and supported by United Methodist Women. It is housed at Share the Table where clients can pick up a package of 20 diapers per week to supplement their babies' diaper needs. Studies have shown that 1 out of 3 families experience diaper shortages and our area is no exception. This can lead to health issues and stress on families. We appreciate the donations of churches, service organizations, and individuals to supplement our supply.

As you are able, please consider donating diapers or a monetary gift. There is a play pen for collection next to the front door as you enter our church. We are especially in need of size 5 and 6.

Thank you for your continued support and God's blessings as we care for the smallest ones in our community.



The United Methodist Women of Faith Harbor invite you to attend our next meeting on Tuesday, 4 August, at 4:30pm at the church. Lots of activities coming up.

Hope to see you there...

Bonnie Hunter



The UMW officers have made the decision to pause the Harbor Thrift Bake Sale until the first Thursday in September (9/1/22). This sale is one of our major fund raisers for the UMW budget and benevolent gifts. We have some fabulous bakers in our church and many church and community members that look forward to purchasing their goodies. Please support us in any way you can.

We welcome new participation and if anyone would like to be added to the list of bakers or have not received an email or text message reminder of a turn to bake, please send Sylvia Bowman an email or text at (sylviabowman54@gmail.com or 910-284-3131). We look forward to a renewed strength of support to these bake sales which benefit children, women, and families.

UMW and the Bake Sale Chairperson, Sylvia Bowman



Emmaus Community...let's have a strong showing! Please join us on July $30^{\rm th}$ at 5:30 pm. at Pine Valley UMC ~ Walk to Emmaus Gathering and Potluck.

Location: 3788 Shipyard Blvd, Wilmington

Discussion: Starting up/resuming Winter Walks

Bible Study!

It's not too late to join us at 6:00p.m. on Tuesdays. The focus will be: Adam Hamilton's *Unafraid-Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times*. The class is expected to last approximately 15 weeks. Participants will gain understanding and counter fear, crime, race terrorism and politics affecting world peace, failure, loneliness, apocalypse, change, aging, illness dying and fear of the Lord to mention a few issues that will be addressed.

Books are available online at Amazon or Thrift Books. If you are unable to get the book, no worries! *All are welcome and encouraged to attend!*

Gail Robinson Harriet Byrd (704) 909-8846 (910) 470-1338

Steve Cooney will be facilitating the prayer ministry. If you have a prayer need, please submit it in one of the following methods:

- Call or text the prayer request to: 270-307-3451
- Email the prayer request to cooney.cai@gmail.com
- Prayer concerns may also be submitted online at: http://www.faithharborumc.org



WELCOME TABLE:

July 24th – Sharon Jackson & Pat Vinson



SCRIPTURE CARD- Week of July 25th

Centering Prayer: "Restore us again, O God of our salvation." Psalm of the Week: Psalm 85

M Jeremiah 13.1-11

Tu Jeremiah 14.17-22

W Jeremiah 15.10-21

Th Jeremiah 18.1-6

F Jeremiah 26.1-9

Sa Jeremiah 26.11-24

Sun Ecclesiastes 2.12-26

Key scripture: Jeremiah 13.4: "Take the loincloth that you bought and are wearing, and go now to the Euphrates, and hide it there in a cleft of the rock."



The Sixth Week of the Racial Justice Prayer & Action Challenge



This is the last week of our praying together for Racial justice. This week's theme is **Liberation**. The scripture inspiring this week's prayers is:

Luke 4:18-19 NRSV

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

As a reminder, there are a few things you can do to participate by:

- Zoom Link July 25, 2022 at 6:30 pm (Below);
- Reading the prayers for each day (attached).
- · Doing one action

Topic: Juneteenth Prayer for Racial Justice

Time: Jul 25, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

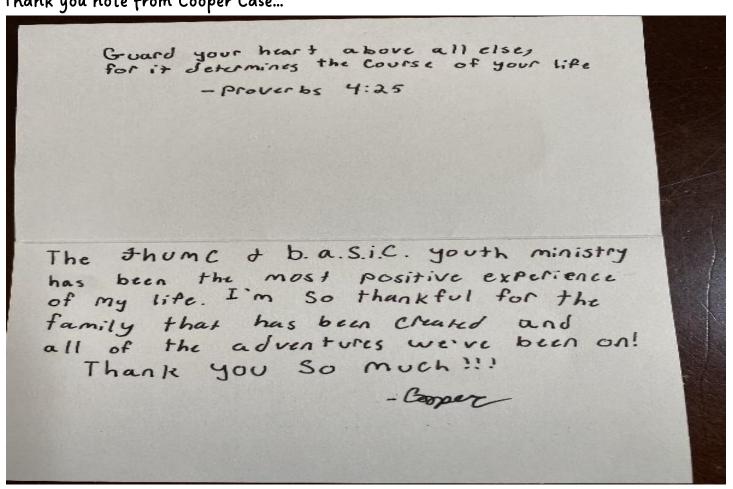
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CLICK HERE FOR: Week 6

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Thank you note from Cooper Case...



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...



July:

No Jr. Basic for the month of July. Happy Summer!

August:

August 29th: Backpack blessing and Jr. Basic back to school kickoff party!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Today I will try to control less and trust God more.

The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and patience is better than pride. -Ecclesiastes 7:8 (NIV)



Members: Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, Connie Carroll; Doris Davis; Art and Diane Dayton; *Rebecca Drudge and family*; Lanae Fowler; Diane Geary, Jean Hawley and family; Martha Marlow; Delores Miner, John Pratt; Paula Smith, Owen Williams, Lou Wilson and family

Military: Joe Fraley, Andy Harrison, Sgt. Joey Horne, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, Anthony Ripley, David Ritz, Alex Harris.

Family and Friends: Eric Bower; *Parker Fox*; *Kevin Drudge and family*; Loren Smith;

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

With the dawning of each new day, we need courage to take each new step in our walk of faith.

Dear Lord, help us to quiet the chaos in our minds so that we can take the time to hear your voice, accept it and put into practice what you tell us. Amen



JULY

1 ST	Casey Tayloe; Jolene Ward
2 nd	Airlie Passingham
3 rd	Deanna Taylor
4 th	Bernie Poole
6 th	Frank Tarbell
9 th	Carroll Greene; David Menzies
11 th	Kirk Binning
12 th	Jim Selby; Jim Vaughn
13 th	Larry Modlin; Martha Marlow
14 th	Jamie Canady

15 th	Layne Lockamy
18 th	Colin Rice
19 th	Jackson Henry
20 th	Owen Williams
21 st	Mike Kane
24 th	Marsha-Lee Ray; Kathy Cantrell
25 th	Todd Bizzell; Victoria Cooney
27 th	Lyle Butler
31 st	Emily Frazier

^{*}If any members would like to be added to the Birthday list, please let me know

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 7/24

8:00 Beach Service 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary

Monday, 7/25

7:30 Open Prayer in Sanctuary 2:00 MABS, Rm. 6

Tuesday, 7/26

6:00 "Unafraid" Bible Study, Rm. 6

Wednesday, 7/27

10:30 Staff Meeting, Rm. 66:00 Wednesday Night Supper in Narthex7:00 Choir practice

Thursday, 7/28

9:00 Backpack Program12:00 AA Meeting, Rm. 65:00 GS Troop Meeting #42426:30 Leadership Council Zoom Meeting

Friday, 7/29

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group @ Soundside Park

Saturday, 7/30

5:30 Walk to Emmaus Gathering & Potluck

Sunday, 7/31

8:00 Beach Service 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary

