



*Faith Harbor*  
A beacon of hope, anchored in Christ, sharing God's love through joyful service.

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## Sunday Scriptures

8/14/22 Luke 12: 49-56

8/21/22 Luke 13: 10-17

8/28/22 Luke 14: 1-14

9/04/22 Luke 14: 25-33

9/11/22 Luke 15: 1-10

9/18/22 Luke 16: 1-13

9/25/22 Luke 16: 19-31

10/02/22 Luke 17: 5-10

10/09/22 Luke 17: 11-19

10/16/22 Luke 18: 1-8

10/23/22 Luke 18: 9-14

10/30/22 Luke 19: 1-10

11/06/22 Luke 20: 27-38

11/13/22 Luke 21: 5-19

11/20/22 Luke 23: 33-43

11/27/22 Isaiah 2: 1-5

12/04/22 Isaiah 11: 1-10

12/11/22 Isaiah 35: 1-10

12/18/22 Isaiah 7: 10-16

12/24/22 Isaiah 9: 2-7

12/25/22 Isaiah 52: 7-10

1/01/23 Isaiah 63: 7-9



## Letter from your Lay Leader



*To grant to those who mourn in Zion, giving them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So, they will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.*  
Isaiah 61:3

You are completely covered in and identified by the tunic of praise the Father has given to you, simply because He is head over heels in love with you. Joseph's doting Dad provided a unique tunic for his favorite son. You could see Joseph coming a mile down the dusty road in his colorful tunic. Not only was Joseph's tunic beautiful, but it was also representative of Joseph's intimate relationship with his father. The type of robe Israel provided for Joseph was a garment of favoritism and of leadership. It was also associated with a high social and political status.

Your Father, because He loves you so dearly, has also provided a special tunic for you, just as Jacob did for Joseph. Your garment is multicolored and extraordinarily beautiful. The world should see you coming as you walk through storms, challenges, and disappointments in life, displaying your covering, provided through an intimate and loving relationship with your heavenly Father. The tunic you have been given to wear throughout all of life is a garment of praise.

My friend, you are dressed and completely enveloped in the Father's love for you. The very first recognizable trait that others should observe about your life is how you are blanketed, from head to toe, in your worship of Him. The tunic Joseph was given by his fathers was used to signify two particular values: leadership and royalty. The garment bequeathed to you by your Father represents the same two values. You are a servant – leader because of your family heritage in Christ. and you are deemed as royalty not because of anything you have done, but because of who your Spiritual Father is. Your Father longs for you to remove the sackcloth and ashes from your life, so He can dress you in a garment worthy of honor.

The issue of pain and how we handle it as believers is a challenging one. Refuse to be trapped by the quicksand of your devastating circumstances, instead choose to love, and obey God, even when your world seems to be falling apart. Hold fast to God and His promises, despite deep emotional pain. There is an abundance of God's blessings when ordinary people chose to love God continuously.

Wear your tunic of praise proudly.

Loving you always,  
Your Sister in Christ,  
*Jessica Blackburn FHUMC Lay Leader*

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## Survey Says...

**We'd like to know what you think...**

**Yes or no to changing church service from 9:20 to– 10:00?**

Please contact Jessica Blackburn by phone (910) 622-1193 or email: [jmb@rayblackburn.com](mailto:jmb@rayblackburn.com) with your vote

### **Upcoming Event:**

There will be an Emmaus Gathering here at Faith Harbor on **August 27 at 5:30 PM**. We will start with a southern low country boil. We have had someone offer to prepare it, but he will need kitchen helpers. We will also need greeters. If you are willing to help in anyway, please contact me

Jessica Blackburn 910-622-1193 [jmb@rayblackburn.com](mailto:jmb@rayblackburn.com)



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Announcements

You are invited to join us for Monday Afternoons each Monday at 3:00 pm (this is a change in time) for Bible study. We are studying "Jesus and the Disinherited" by Howard Thurman for the next six weeks.

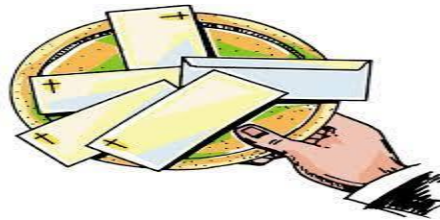
"Above and beyond all else it must be borne in mind that hatred tends to dry up the springs of creative thought in the life of the hater, so that his resourcefulness becomes completely focused on the negative aspects of his environment. The urgent needs of the personality for creative expression are starved to death. A man's horizon may become so completely dominated by the intense character of his hatred that there remains no creative residue in his mind and spirit to give to great ideas, to great concepts."

– Howard Thurman, Jesus and the Disinherited

You can purchase your book on Amazon or any of the booksellers.  
Come join us.

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***We need volunteers! The offering counters could use a few extra hands. If you are interested, please contact the church office***



***We are looking for someone to be the new coordinator for the prayer ministry. This person will oversee all prayer requests. If you are interested, please contact the church office. Thank you!***



## THE APPLE TREE



The Apple Tree is here, and baskets are waiting to be filled with school supplies for the children in Summer SHARE the TABLE M.U.N.C.H. backpack program. The Kiwanis have again generously donated backpacks for us to fill. You have the option of taking an apple from the tree or selecting items from the supply list.



Please have items back to the church by: **August 21<sup>st</sup>** for delivery August 25– 27<sup>th</sup>

*Thank you for helping us make sure these children can start the school year with the tools they need to be successful!*

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**FOOD MINISTRIES SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING COOK, WASH DISHES, PROVIDE FOOD, ETC.**



**food. faith. & fellowship**

## UWIF NEWS & UPDATES

The United Methodist Women is changing its name to *United Women in Faith*.

Please purchase your backpack school supplies for return to the church by 21 August for delivery August 25-27. Bakers warm up for the Thrift Store Bake sales on 1st and 3rd Thursdays, beginning 1 September. The Epicurean Event sponsored by The Methodist Home for Children is 8 September in Wilmington. The UMW is providing scholarship assistance to the Mother/Child Retreat at Camp Don Lee 16-18 September. Start prepping for a Frozen Casserole/Bake Sale on 18 September before and after Church.

UMW will sponsor a Family Night Supper on Wednesday, 5 October, at 6pm with Soup/Salad/Bread/Dessert. Guest Speaker: Catherine McDowell from Roots of Recovery.



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.*



We are asking for volunteers for Faith Harbor UMC's Early Response Team (ERT). A training class for certification or recertification will be held either the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in September at Faith Harbor UMC. Once we have the exact date set for training, we will let you know. It is not necessary to be certified to volunteer on the ERT team, so we ask anyone willing and able to volunteer.

We are gathering supplies and getting the ERT trailer ready for any storms that may hit our area. We certainly hope for clear skies this year. Our team will be helping to renovate a building at Roots of Recovery. This will include building interior walls, installing drywall, hanging interior doors and touchup painting. We will let you know of a date in the very near future.

Please let Lou or Diane Secary know if you are interested in volunteering with ERT or contact Faith Harbor UMC. Please also let us know if you are interested in the ERT training.

Email: [Dsecary@gmail.com](mailto:Dsecary@gmail.com) or call Lou: 410-739-3706 / Diane - 410-739-5420.



We are in the process of rebuilding the ERT (emergency response team). This is a group that goes to help families that have suffered damage to their homes. We are in need of interested volunteers. Skills not needed.

As you know, Kentucky has suffered a terrible loss. If you would like to help the following is the place to do it...

How to donate for KY flood relief:

Checks may be made to KY Disaster Response Advance #200902

Mail to:

The Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church

Disaster Response Ministry Fund

Attn: Treasurer

7400 Floydsburg Rd

Crestwood KY 40014

Give electronically:

[kyumc-reg.brtaapp.com/DisasterReliefDonationsm](http://kyumc-reg.brtaapp.com/DisasterReliefDonationsm) Yahoo Mail on Android

Disaster Response team

Gail Widholm

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## WELCOME TABLE:

August 14<sup>th</sup> – Bonnie Hunter & Lois Snyder



\*Save the date:

Sunday, August 21st from 4-7pm will be our Youth Kickoff Event! We will be gathering at the Medlin's house. The address is 9077 9th St. Surf City, NC. It backs up to the Canals and is close to the beach so please bring your bathing suits/beach towels to enjoy some water activities together! Dinner will be provided. All youth are invited for some games, fellowship & good food! 😊

Monday, August 22nd at 5:30pm- There will be a Youth Council meeting at the Church.

Sunday, August 29th will be our Youth Sunday for the month of August at the 9:20am Service. Please let me know how your youth would be willing to serve that morning. There will also be a Back-to-School Backpack blessing if your youth would like to participate in that with all the children.

More detailed information about the above-mentioned items will be sent out to the parents this week. Have a great rest of the Summer!! 💛

Peace friends,  
*Jewels Swain, Youth Coordinator*  
(910)232-9844



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...



### August:

14<sup>th</sup> – Acolyte Training following church service

16th: Children's Story Time 10am in the Sanctuary.

28th: Backpack blessing and Jr. Basic back to school kickoff party!

### Sept:

Sept 11th: Volunteer appreciation

Sept 16th-18th: Mother/Child Retreat at Camp Don Lee.

(Forms located in the narthex on the welcome table and are due by **August 15<sup>th</sup>**)

### ATTENTION:

Children's Ministry looking for volunteers to teach Sunday morning Children's Church. Typically, we have around five to eight children per classroom, and we need around 7 volunteers every Sunday to follow Safe Sanctuary protocol. Classrooms are open every Sunday so that the children have an opportunity to learn the Bible stories, scripture, and God's love while parents have time to have their spirit filled and draw near to God during the church service.

If you or you know of anyone who feels called to help with this ministry, please reach out to me.

Thank you!

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I can stay on course when I keep in step with God.

*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

~Psalm 119:105 (NRSV)



**Members:** Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, Connie Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; Art and Diane Dayton; Rebecca Drudge; Lanae Fowler; Diane Geary, Jean Hawley and family; Martha Marlow; *Pastor Neal and family*; Delores Miner, Judy Pratt; Lou Wilson and family

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

**Family and Friends:** Eric Bower; *Charles Burnett's sister Armenta*; Parker Byrd; the Durnil family; *Hatch Bryan*; Parker Fox; 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*

#### **SCRIPTURE CARD- Week of August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Centering Prayer: Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven and see.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 80

M Ezekiel 24.1-14

Tu Ezekiel 28.1-10

W Ezekiel 34.1-11

Th Ezekiel 36.23-28

F Ezekiel 37.1-14

Sa Ezekiel 43.1-7

Sun Isaiah 66.18-21

Key scripture: Ezekiel 36.26: "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."



## AUGUST

2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Stacie Holmes</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Edmund Audet</i>
4 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Johnsie Smith</i>
5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>David King</i>
6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Jenny Butler; Peter Chryst</i>
7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Howard Jester</i>
10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Zachary Jester; Vance Penny</i>
11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Virginia Platts; Max Schleinkofer</i>
13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Gail Robinson; Jerry Wood</i>
14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Danny Fisher</i>
16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Savannah Jones</i>
17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Jim Justice</i>
19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Edna Fisher</i>

20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lois Snyder</i>
22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Karter Duddy</i>
25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Amy Woolard</i>
26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Patsy Mathews, Cale Horne</i>
28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Willie Bryan</i>
29 <sup>th</sup>	<i>April Shannon</i>
30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Clayann Binning, Sharon Jordan</i>

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

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

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### **Sunday, 8/14**

8:00 Beach Service  
 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary  
 10:30 Acolyte Training

### **Monday, 8/15**

7:30 Open Prayer in Sanctuary  
 2:00 MABS, Rm. 6  
 3:00 Bible Study, Rm. 6

### **Tuesday, 8/16**

10:00 – Story time in Sanctuary  
 6:00 “Unafraid” Bible Study, Rm. 6

### **Wednesday, 8/17**

7:00 Choir practice

### **Thursday, 8/18**

12:00 AA Meeting, Rm. 6  
 5:00 GS Troop Meeting #2424

### **Friday, 8/19**

8:30 Women’s Breakfast Group @ Soundside Park

### **Sunday, 8/21**

8:00 Beach Service  
 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary  
 Following Service: Meet the Staff/Church Q&A  
 4 – 7:00pm Youth Kickoff Celebration