



"But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion." Luke 10.33

I would like to invite all of you on a discipleship journey starting Tuesday, September 6th from 6pm-7.45pm. This will be a 6-month journey that will involve large group teaching, small group fellowship, and mission engagement. We will be providing a meal and childcare for each gathering. We are inviting folks from other churches to come and participate in this training as well. So, feel free to invite friends and family as well.

This Missional Discipleship Training is based on our experience of starting a missional church on the streets of Wilmington in 2013. The Anchor Church began with a missional call to embody hope. Out of this missional impulse, based on the good news of Jesus Christ, sisters & brothers in Christ endeavored to live this calling out. Here in Surf City, we would

like to invite you on a journey of missional discipleship. Our goal is to train men and women in missional discipleship during this six-month journey. At the end of this six months, you will then have an opportunity to be prayerfully commissioned in the vocational work the Lord is calling you to. You will be given mentors for this journey of following after what the Holy Spirit is calling you to. We would like to invite you to prayerfully consider being part of this missional discipleship journey.

Monthly Topics that will be taught:

Theology – Genesis 1.1: "In the beginning when God created." We serve a creator God who loves – and has called creation very good – we are to reflect this God in our thoughts and actions.

Christology – Acts 9.5: "Who are you Lord?" When we say that Jesus Christ is Lord we are acknowledging our allegiance to the one who is God in the flesh and dwelt among us.

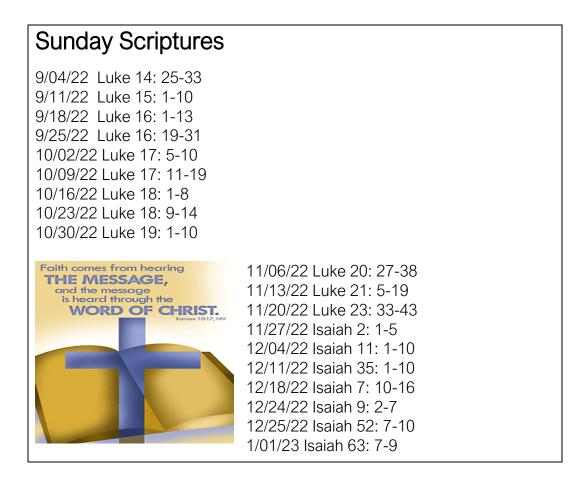
Prayer – Luke 11.1: "Lord, teach us to pray." The Lord has invited us to pay attention by listening and speaking – and this invitation is to include the totality of our lives.

Simplicity – Matthew 10.5-15: "Take no gold, silver, copper." In obedience we act on Christ's words to his disciples – and this action is faith and trust that he supplies all our needs.

Mysticism – Exodus 34.5: "The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there." Today God still speaks to God's people and we are to have the courage to do something about it.

Missiology – John 20.22: "Receive the Holy Spirit." We reflect our missionary God by going and participating in what the Holy Spirit is already doing in the world.

If you have any questions about any of this training, feel free to reach out to me at 910.524.5676. ~Philip Chryst



A Letter from your Lay Leader

When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, "This is how your slave treated me," he burned with anger. ²⁰ Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined. But while Joseph was there in the prison, ²¹ the LORD was with him; he showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden. ²² So the warden put Joseph in charge of all those held in the prison, and he was made responsible for all that was done there. Genesis 39:19-22 NIV



Joseph was falsely accused when he was in Potiphar's house with Potiphar's wife and everybody else was outside. He refused to give into temporary pleasures in exchange for God's eternal blessing. Even when you have done the right thing and refused to do the wrong thing, you might be falsely accused. Even when you have run the other way quickly, you might still be falsely accused. It is not uncommon for the best of God's children to face fabrications to the worst of sins.

After the false accusation of Joseph, he was then thrown into prison. Don't miss this. The Lord was with Joseph just as He is with you. The Lord extended kindness and favor to him even when he was unfairly thrown into prison. How wonderful to remember that when we are in the worst place imaginable, God has not changed. His presence remains and His character is consistent. He is still a God of eternal goodness and unending kindness. He showers all that He is and all He has upon His children. Dreadful events may deny our blessings and confined us in a dungeon of pain, but they are unable to deprive us of sweet communion with God, our Father and Creator. Favor is an undeserved gift that comes from God, not for mankind. If you are experiencing devastation today, spend some time in prayer and ask God for the same favor that was given to Joseph. Favor is heavens lovely idea expressly given toward a man or woman in pain.

Joseph's emotional constitution was an exceptionally stellar. In him, we see a young man made of the stuff of which heroes are made. The Sterling truth is that you are made of that same stuff. Your only requirements is a willing heart and a commitment to integrity and excellence. If you long to walk in the favor and blessing that Joseph experienced, then you, too, must embrace an attitude that shouts loudly, **"God is in charge. I will not be shaken!"** Believers have no control over every life experience; however, we can respond to unjust circumstances with faith and integrity. The person who is faithful in the small things in life will ultimately be responsible for greater things. At the lowest point in Joseph's life, in the strangeness of a foreign land, with no friend and no prospect for release, God initiated the steps that brought about deliverance from Joseph, his family, and the world. What miracles might God produce from your situation?

"Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evils against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you." Matthew 5:11–12 NIV

Love Your Sister in Christ Jessica Blackburn, Lay Leader



Mission fair September 11th right after 9:20 service. All committees and missions will be displaying what their committee or mission is about. If you are not part of a mission or a committee, please check each table out to see what your gift is and where you are being led to serve.

Worship team meeting Saturday 10th at 10 AM. All team members and all who are interested in being a part of the worship team please come and be a part of the planning for the worship services for All Saints Day, Advent, and Christmas.

Any questions please contact Jessica Blackburn jmb@blackburn.com 910-622-1193

WELCOME TABLE:

September 4: Carrie Olmstead





Baptism Class: Pastor Philip is offering a baptism class for children and adults who have not been baptized and would like to be. Please see Pastor Philip for more information. Baptisms will take place on Sept 25th at the South end of the island.

BROADCAST TEAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS – Looking for volunteers who can help with the Sunday service audio/visuals at least 1x per month. Includes running the sound board, video projectors and online streaming equipment (2-person team each Sunday).

If interested, contact Jim Ellis for more information: 910-352-4001.

SAVE THE DATE!

Missional Discipleship Training at Faith Harbor – Surf City NC

From September 2022 – March 2023 Tuesdays from 6pm-7.45pm – this includes a meal and childcare Co-leaders: Philip Chryst & Jerry Clark

For more information: TRAINING

Please join us Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. for Children's Story Time!



UWIF NEWS & UPDATES

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH:

Resumption of Thrift Store Bake Sales on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

Representation at the Epicurean Event sponsored by The Methodist Home for Children on 8 September.

Participation in the Mission Fair in the Narthex on 11 September.

Frozen Entree/Bake Sale before and after the 9:20 service on Sunday, 18 September. (Sign-up sheets are posted near the kitchen window).

Thank you for the outstanding response on school supplies for the Backpack Program. 65 children had a great start to their school year





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 3rd or 4th 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.

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: <u>Dsecary@gmail.com</u> or call Lou: 410-739-3706 / Diane - 410-739-5420.



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.brtapp.com/DisasterReliefDonations

With many needs to prepare for, we are asking church members to save their hotel sample bottles of shampoo, soap etc. There will be a bucket in the narthex to leave them as your collection builds up. Any hygiene samples are appreciated.

Disaster Response team Gail Widholm

CALLING ALL SINGERS - IT'S CANTATA TIME!!!

We will have the first read- through of our Christmas Cantata on Wednesday, September 7th at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary.

The word "cantata" comes from the Italian word "cantaire" meaning "singer". And in Spanish, the verb "cantar" means to sing. So let us sing together for the Glory of God announcing the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 804-651-5488. Love, Allison



Greetings all Youth group parents!

I hope this email finds you & your family having a great start to the new school year. We will be gearing up our youth group activities. You will notice that some of the Sunday meeting times may vary this year as we are trying to develop a new flow in the Youth program of mission work, follow up, fun/recreation and lessons. Please mark your calendars for Sept. happenings and events accordingly:

*Sunday, Sept. 4th~ No Regular youth group meetings due to Labor Day Holiday weekend. Enjoy this time with family and friends as the official season of Summer comes to a close.

*Sunday, Sept. 11th~ This will be our Mission work Sunday for the month of Sept. As a group, we will be cooking, preparing, portioning, and delivering the Supper for the Share the Table clients. <u>**Special meeting</u> times will be 1:30-4:30pm at the church. MS & HS youth are all invited to work together that afternoon. I look forward to seeing them all there!

***Sunday, Sept. 18th~** This will be our Follow up/Lesson from our Mission work for everyone. Schedule will be 5-5:30pm for fellowship, snacks, games for MS and HS youth. Then, from 5:30-6:30pm- the MS youth will have their Follow up/lesson in the Library and the HS youth will have their Follow up/lesson in The Reef.

*Sunday, Sept. 25th~ This will be our Youth Sunday for the month of Sept. at the 9:20am service. Please let me know how your youth would like to serve. We will need several Doorman, Greeters, Ushers, Children's helpers, etc. <u>**Also, we will be doing a Bake Sale Fundraiser that morning before & after the 9:20am</u> <u>Service.</u> Parents/youth- if you can bake something (individually wrapped cookies, brownies, muffins, small cakes, etc.) move well. Please let me know if you can assist in this way. Baked goods and youth, lol- need to arrive that day by 8:45 am. We will need youth available to "man" the bake sale table. Much thanks!

That evening will be a <u>planned Fun/Recreational activity from 4:30-6:30pm</u>. All youth meet at the church at 4:30pm. (more info. to come on this!)

***Coming Soon- In October, we will start collecting deposits for NCC Youth Pilgrimage event that will be due for our group. More details to come.

***Save the date- the actual date for the NCC Youth Pilgrimage event will be on Nov. 11-13th in Rocky Mount, NC at the Event Center. This event is open all to 6th-12th graders!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...

September: Sept 11th: Volunteer appreciation Sept 16th-18th: Mother/Child Retreat at Camp Don Lee

A Look Ahead

Oct 9th: Jr. Basic Oct 29th: Trunk or Treat 2 - 4:30pm.

UPDATE: There is still a need for our 4-K room on the 4th Sunday of the month and our 1st-2nd grade classroom on the first Sunday of the month.

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

Thank you!

Melissa Schleinkofer Email: Mxcook8@yahoo.com

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God's ways are always the best ways.

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts" $I_{1} = 1.55 + 0.0$ (NW/)

~Isaiah 55:8-9 (NIV)



Members: Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, *Harriet Byrd;* Connie Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; Art and Diane Dayton; Buddy Fowler and family; Jean Hawley and family; Martha Marlow; Pastor Neal and family; Delores Miner, *Larry & Becki Modlin*; Judy Pratt; Lou Wilson and family

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

Family and Friends: Eric Bower; Parker Fox; Virginia Platts; *Caroline Shepard and students at Surf City Elementary;* Loren Smith; Dave and Jill Strohpaul's friend Phill

Website Prayer Requests: Lorraine Chavez; Steven Donaghy

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 September 5th

Centering Prayer: O Lord, you have searched me and known me! Psalm of the Week: Psalm 139 M I Corinthians 5.1-8 Tu I Corinthians 6.1-11 W I Corinthians 7.25-31 Th I Corinthians 8.1-13 F I Corinthians 9.16-19 Sa I Corinthians 10.14-22 Sun Exodus 32.7-14

Key scripture: I Corinthians 7.31: "For the present form of this world is passing away."



SEPTEMBER

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1 st	Dana Byrd
2 nd	Mary Sheffield
3 rd	Ray Blackburn
6 th	Sandy Wise
8 th	Lance Jordan
14 th	Hazel Passingham
16 th	Jackson Sliwa; Pat Byrd
17 th	Palmer Rice
18 th	Mary Lynn Wood
20 th	Arness Krause
22 nd	Jim Black; Frank Carroll
24 th	Frances Moore
25 th	Quinn Woolard
26 th	Will Moore
27 th	Ava Barnes
28 th	Jean Hawley; Michael Kaufmann

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 9/04 8:00 Last Beach Service 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary

Monday, 9/05 – Labor Day Office Closed

Tuesday, 9/06 10:00 Children's Story Time 6:00 "Unafraid" Bible Study, Rm. 6 6:00 – Missional Discipleship Training

Wednesday, 9/07

10:00 Reading Circle, Rm. 610:30 Staff Meeting6:00 Hospitality Supper7:00 Cantata Read-through7:45 Choir

Thursday, 9/08 9:00 Last Day- Backpack Program 11:00 Disaster Response Team Tentative meeting 12:00 AA Meeting, Rm. 6 5:00 GS Troop Meeting #4242

Friday, 9/09

8:30 Women's Breakfast @ Soundside park

Saturday, 9/10 10:00 Worship Committee Meeting

Sunday, 9/11 8:00 Communion Service 9:20 Worship Service in Sanctuary *Children's Ministry Volunteer Appreciation 10:30 Mission Fair in Narthex 1:30 – 4:30 Youth Group Mission