



"Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." Matthew 17.21 (KJV)

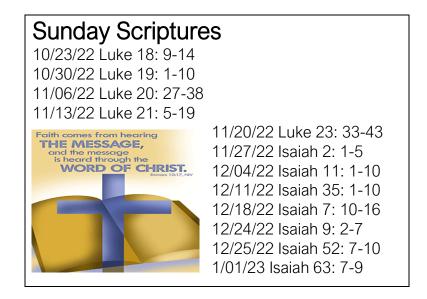
Prayer and fasting. Jesus says in this chapter that some things only happen through prayer and fasting. That spiritual matters sometimes take grit, determination, and vigilance. And so, we are called to commit ourselves to that spiritual matter with intensity.

Here in Surf City, I would encourage us to pray and fast for our city. Pray that God would do a miraculous work in our community. That revival would break forth and that many people will come to the saving knowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord. This prayer is going to take intensity and commitment. This prayer is going to take courage and determination. This prayer is going to take grit and vigilance. This prayer is going to take us being disciples that make disciples. And we will do that by going. Going to the

highways and byways and inviting folks to know Jesus. The Jesus that loves us just the way we are – that meets us right where we are – and invites us to go where he goes.

One of the ways I would like to encourage you to pray is to pray for our upcoming Worship North Carolina event that we are having at Soundside Park Amphitheater on Sunday, October 30th at 4:30pm. This is an event that will invite us to go out on the streets and sing of God's praises. It is the kind of event that you will want to invite your neighbors, friends, and family to. It is the kind of event that is getting a lot of media attention – and lots of excitement. But it is also an event that needs to be covered in prayer.

People from Faith Harbor, and other churches, have started to go down to Soundside Park and pray in preparation for this event. I would encourage all of us to begin to do the same. Go and pray at the Amphitheater, the playground, the picnic tables, the boat launch, the fishing spots. Pray for God's presence to be known in those areas. For people to be drawn to the Lord through God's grace. Pray that revival will break out in our city. Pray that the Holy Spirit will ignite our hearts with the gospel message that Jesus Christ is Lord. And that the Holy Spirit will then guide us to be a people that are called to be on mission – to go where Jesus goes.



A Letter from your Lay Leader...



"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom from the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free." Luke 4:18

I have a dear friend that is a whiz with computers and technology. I am a dinosaur, and that's fine with me. But when I get frustrated with some software on my laptop, he always helps me figure it out so I can accomplish so much more than my natural skills allow.

That's exactly how the Holy Spirit operates in our lives. He is our "Helper." And He enables us to reach out beyond ourselves and help others. With Him, we can accomplish unthinkably more than our skills allow. We don't possess the power of the Holy Spirit just so we can have a peaceful Christian life. That is great, but if we stop there, the Holy spirit inside us is a little like my laptop with my friend's help – not operating up to full power.

Open up your heart and let the power of the Holy Spirit move within you to do all He's called you to do – to proclaim freedom to others in bondage, to help the blind see, and to set the oppressed free. In His hands, you'll be able to accomplish far more than you ever could on your own.

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

> Please join us in the Sanctuary for open prayer every Monday, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

All are welcome!

WELCOME TABLE:

October 23rd: Cathy & Doug Medlin





We have an immediate need for:

*Prayer Warrior Coordinator - For more information please contact Kim/Office or Steve Cooney at: <u>cooney.cai@gmail.com</u>



MARK YOURTrinity UMC will be hosting an Emmaus Gathering &
Potluck Supper. Everyone welcome...bring a friend!CALENDARWhen: Saturday, October 22ndTime: 6:00 p.m.
Where: 1403 Market St, Wilmington, NC

Anyone interested in learning to quilt, please join us on Tuesday morning, October 25th at 9:00 a.m. Any questions, call Alma at (540) 588-0738.

All are welcome! Please see what we are about.



Save the Date~ Annual charge conference is Sunday, November 6th at 11am

Free:

Small acoustic piano (available for pick-up after 10/27). Also available are: 50-75 used cushioned Sanctuary chairs

If you are interested, contact Faye Decatur (910) 612-5486 or Marion Shade (910) 200-9669



If anyone would be interested in joining an adult Sunday school class after worship service, please see Sherry Mewborn.

Harbor Thrift Store News



With cooler weather coming, the store is in need of gently used jackets and outerwear for children.

Reminder: Donations should always come through the Harbor Warehouse. When dropping off donations, please call ahead. Thank you for your support!

Jean Hawley: (910) 330-0760 Beth Walker: (252) 213-2240 Gloria Richardson: (704) 804-4909 Sylvia Bowman: (910) 284-3131

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



UWIF NEWS & UPDATES

*Thrift Store Bake Sale: 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Thursdays of each month



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.

Save the Date!

Please join us October 30th at Soundside Park Amphitheater for music provided by Worship North Carolina. This event is sponsored by Faith Harbor UMC

Time: 4:30p.m until Sunset

The last recertification class will be this Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 8:30 to 4:30 at Sharon UMC, 2030 Holden Beach Road, Supply NC 28462



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 basket in the narthex to leave them as your collection builds up. Any hygiene samples are appreciated.

Disaster Response team *Gail Widholm*



Hello All,

Please mark your calendars with dates and other important info. regarding MS & HS bAsiC Youth group:

*Sunday, Oct. 23rd~ Follow up from Missions & Lesson. MS & HS youth to meet at regular time from 5-6:30pm in The Reef/Library.

*Saturday, Oct. 29th~ <u>Fhume's Trunk or Treat Community event from 2-4pm at the church.</u> Youth/adult helpers are much appreciated to decorate a trunk, assist with Children's crafts and games, set up, clean up, etc. Please contact Ms. Melissa or myself if you can come and be a part of this fun family Fall event!

*Sunday, Oct. 30th~ All youth and adults invited to come out to <u>Soundside Park to enjoy an awesome concert</u> provided by Worship North Carolina from 4:30pm until Sunset. Any youth that need a ride can meet me at the church about 4pm and we can carpool over together.

***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! We will leave on Friday early afternoon (there's no school that day) and return on Sunday afternoon. *Below is a brief description of what Pilgrimage is all about: Pilgrimage has been bringing thousands of youth (6th – 12th grades) and their mentors to gather for over 25 years. It is a life-changing weekend event filled with amazing artists, thought-provoking speakers, and inspiring youth leadership – all bearing witness to the transforming love of Christ. This weekend is for students and adult student leaders looking for a weekend worship experience that calls everyone to a new or stronger faith in Jesus, challenging everyone to share God's love in word and action.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me! Peace be with you.

Jewels Swain Fhumc Youth Coordinator 910-232-9844



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...

Oct. 23rd: Jr. Basic – 10:30 to noon Oct 29th: Trunk or Treat 2 - 4:30pm.

November

Nov. 6th: All Saints Day. We will have Jr. Basic this day because I will be away chaperoning with the youth for Pilgrimage on Nov. 13th.

Nov. 20th: Jr. Basic Nov. 24th: Happy Thanksgiving!

December

Dec. 4th: Jr. Basic

I am looking into mission work the children can participate in. More details to come.

Dec 11th: Children's Music presentation and Jr. Basic Christmas party after church!

Dec 18th: Christmas Cantata. There will be no children's Sunday school for grade 1st through 5th. Children will remain in church service.

Dec 24th: Christmas Eve services at 5pm and 7pm

Dec 25th: Merry Christmas!!! There will be a church service. Time to be determined.

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.



Trunk or Treat Event~

We need Volunteers to decorate trunks and hand out candy please. I have three Trunk or treat kits anyone can use. Also, if you need ideas there are tons on Pinterest or you can just keep it simple with Fall décor. Sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Also, we have a bin located in the Narthex for Candy and prize donations.

Come join us in your best Halloween costume for this free community event at Faith Harbor UMC! The fun starts on October 29th from 2-4pm. Kids of all ages welcome. We will be having cotton candy, games, crafts and of course candy! For further information please contact Melissa Schleinkofer at (484)515-7361. See you there! *Thank you for your support of this community-wide event. It's going to be a blast!*

Children's Christmas Music! We will be starting practice after church this Sunday for our children to have a small Christmas presentation on December 11th during Children's Sermon time. We will continue to meet after church with Ms. Alison for about 15 to 20minutes to practice our Christmas songs. All children are welcome to come join in celebrating the birth of Jesus in song! We will also be celebrating on Dec.11th during Jr. Basic with a Christmas party after church!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When God gives me more than I need, I am called to share.

If someone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but refuses to help – how can the love of God dwell in a person like that? ~1 John 3:17 (CEB)



Members: Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, *Harriet Byrd; Connie & Frank Carroll*; Doris & Mike Davis; *Faye & Dave Decatur;* Jean Hawley and family; Martha Marlow; 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, Michael Roberson.

Family and Friends: Eric Bower; *Daryl Carroll and family*; *Tommy Clemmons;* Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Parker Fox; *Paula Hopper's daughter Carolyn and family*; JJ and Stephanie Modlin; Virginia (and Jimmy Platts); Loren Smith; *Pam Ulrich (Dear family friend of Sherrie & John Weaver)*

Website Prayer Requests: Lorraine Chavez; Steven Donaghy

And all unnamed persons needing God's peace, comfort, and healing. Heavenly Father, I am praying for complete healing and good health. Please take away my worries & grant me inner peace and strength. AMEN

SCRIPTURE CARD- Week of October 24th

Centering Prayer: Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. Psalm of the Week: Psalm 65

M Ephesians 4.32-5.8, Luke 13.10-17 Tu Ephesians 5.21-33, Luke 13.18-21 W Ephesians 6.1-9, Luke 13.22-30 Th Ephesians 6.10-20, Luke 13.31-35 F Ephesians 6.21-24, Luke 14.1-6 Sa Philippians 1.18-26, Luke 14.7-11 Su II Thessalonians 1.11-2.2, Luke 19.1-10 Key scripture: Philippians 1.21: "For to me, living Christ and dying is gain."



OCTOBER

1 ST	
131	Sabrina Guy
3rd	Hunter Tayloe
4 th	Buddy Fowler
5 th	John Pratt
7 th	Kelsey Swain
9 th	Pastor Philip

10 th	Scott Passingham; Barbara Poole
12 th	Jessica Blackburn; Parker Burgess
13 th	Lisa Berg
15 th	Becky Moore
16 th	Rosalie Kerr
17 th	Bill Moore; Greg Holmes
18 th	Faye Decatur; Jann Tayloe
19 th	Sandy Rogers
20 th	Louis Secary
21 st	Cindy Jester; Cathy Medlin
27 th	David Decatur
28 th	Zander Guy
29th	Roxey Jordan
30 th	Leigh Bizzell; Sue Smith

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 10/23

8:00 Communion Service 9:20 Worship Service 10:30 New Membership Class 10:30-12 JR Basic Group 5:00 – MS/HS "Follow up Lesson"

Monday, 10/24

7:30 a.m- Open Prayer in Sanctuary 3:00 Bible Study, Rm. 6 6:30 Cub Scouts, Rm. 1-4

Tuesday, 10/25

10:00 Children's Story Time 6:00 – Missional Discipleship Training 7:00 Women's AA Group in Reef

Wednesday, 10/26 5:00 Girl Scout Troop #4242 7:00 Cantata Practice 7:45 Choir Practice 7:00 Boy Scouts, The Reef

Thursday, 10/27 12:00 AA Meeting, Rm. 6 6:30 Leadership Council Meeting, Rm. 6

Friday, 10/28 8:30 Women's Breakfast **Saturday, 10/29** 2:00 – 4:00 Trunk or Treat

Sunday, 10/30 8:00 Communion Service 9:20 Worship Service *New Member Recognition 4:30 Worship NC @ Soundside Park