

Please join us...

OUR CHRISTMAS CANTATA, "And on Earth Peace" will be this Sunday at **10:00am**. This cantata has musical styles for everyone...be sure to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to enjoy the beautiful music!!!

THE HOSPITALITY TEAM INVITES everyone to the reception following the Christmas Cantata. We will be moving chairs and setting tables in the Narthex immediately following the service (Helpers will be needed). The Hospitality Team will provide the main entrée. Thank you!

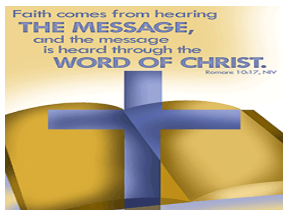


Sunday Scriptures

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

1/08/23 Isaiah 42:1-9

1/15/23 Isaiah 49:1-7

1/22/23 Isaiah 49:8-16

1/29/23 Isaiah 55:1-13

A Letter from your Lay Leader...

The hunt is still on, have you found all the 12 days of Christmas, Pastor Philip found them all last Sunday. You have one more week!



Let's go on a Christmas Scavenger Hunt. What do you think you will find?

The 12 days of Christmas are randomly placed throughout the church. When you find them, bring your list to me for a wonderful surprise.

Rules:

You must list the 12 days of Christmas and where you found them.

No moving them, leave them for the next person to find.

You have until Christmas Eve to find them all.

Have fun!!

This game comes to you from your loving Lay Leader.

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

All are welcome!



It is time to order your poinsettia for our Christmas Service. This year the poinsettias will be the 6" size. The cost is \$12.00. Order deadline is this Sunday, December 18th. Order forms will be in the bulletin. You can also make a payment online.



The Staff at Faith Harbor support our church in so many ways and the holidays give us, the congregation, an opportunity to express our appreciation. Your Staff Parish Relations Committee is collecting a love offering for our church staff. Donations can be made on Sunday or through the internet. *Please designate "Love Offering for Staff."*

We will be collecting money through Sunday, DEC 18th.

WELCOME TABLE:

December 18th ~ Jeanette Mason & Carrie Olmstead





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Announcements



The 2022 Advent Devotionals are available in the Narthex.



Coming Soon to a Methodist Church near you...Men's Group
Details to follow!



Donations are being accepted for Roots of Recovery. Donation box is located near the front door of the Narthex. Items needed: Size 5 & 6 Diapers; Wipes; Lotion; Shampoo; Feminine Hygiene Products; Cleaning Supplies; Detergent; Children's Table & Chairs; Gas Cards; Gift Cards to Entertainment Venues

Thank you for your support!

Anyone interested in learning to quilt, please join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. No experience necessary. Any questions, call Alma at (540) 588-0738. All are welcome!

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



UWIF NEWS & UPDATES

The UMW/UWIF Harbor Thrift Bake Sale will have the last 2022 sale on December 15 at the store. The next sale after that will be on January 19, 2023. Thanks to all who support us by sharing your baking talents and by purchasing our goodies! The sale has been a blessing for all! We do welcome any new bakers that might be interested. Just let us know.



The "Keep Me Dry" diaper program is a mission of the 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. **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.

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

Jean Hawley: (910) 330-0760

Gloria Richardson: (704) 804-4909

Beth Walker: (252) 213-2240

Sylvia Bowman: (910) 284-3131

ATTENTION! If you have a youth who is in 8th grade or higher in our bAsiC Youth group here at Faith Harbor UMC and/or you have expressed an interest in your youth completing a Confirmation Class here. We are happy to announce that this will be offered starting in January of 2023 with Pastor Philip leading the class. ***It will begin with a luncheon for those interested on Sun., Jan. 8th at 12noon.**

The actual class day and time will run the same time as our regular Youth group meetings (typically Sunday evenings from 5-6:30pm). A more detailed schedule with class and retreat information will be sent by Pastor Philip very soon. Until then, please save the date for the above-mentioned luncheon. We are looking forward to going on this Confirmation journey with your youth. Feel free to reach out to Pastor Philip (910) 524-5676 if you should have any questions about this upcoming class or interested in your youth being a part of this upcoming confirmation class.



***Sun., Dec. 18th~** Christmas Cantata at 10am & reception following. All are invited to attend

***Sun., Dec. 25th and Jan. 1st, 2023~** No Regular youth group meetings due to Christmas and holidays.

***Sun., Jan. 8th, 2023~** Regular youth group meetings to resume from 5-6:30pm in The Reef/Library.

***Jan. 14-16th-** Youth Retreat Ski Trip

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...



December

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!!! Church services: 8am and 9:20am.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

With God's help, my single act of kindness can inspire many more.

Jesus said, "The seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."
~Matthew 13:23 (NIV)



Members: Joyce Arnette, Nancy Buckman, Harriet Byrd; *Connie* & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; Diane Geary; Martha Marlow; Sherry Mewborn; Larry & Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt; Dave & Jill Strohpaal; Lou Wilson and family

Military: Joe Fraley, Alex Harris, Andy Harrison, Greg Holmes; Sgt. Joey Horne John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, David Ritz, Michael Roberson.

Family and Friends: John Durnil; Stan Druzeck; Barbara Drye and family; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Parker Fox; Lori Herring; Barbara Mills; JJ and Stephanie Modlin; Virginia (and Jimmy Platts); Johnny Paliotti and his mother Donna; Reverend Sheverlon Powell and family (Bescye Burnett's sister); Tom Smith

Website Prayer Requests: Lorraine Chavez

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 December 19th

Centering Prayer: Restore us, O God.
Psalm of the Week: Psalm 80

M Judges 13.2-25, Luke 1.5-25

Tu Isaiah 7.10-14, Luke 1.26-38

W Zephaniah 3.14-18, Luke 1.39-45

Th I Samuel 1.24-28, Luke 1.46-56

F Malachi 3.1-24, Luke 1.57-66

Sa II Samuel 7.1-14, Luke 1.67-79

Su Isaiah 52.7-10, Hebrews 1.1-12, John 1.1-14

Key scripture: Isaiah 7.14: "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son and shall name him Immanuel."



DECEMBER

1 st	Kelly Byrd; Wilson Jones
3 rd	Marion Shade
4 th	Neal McHenry; Katherine Alexander; Hayden Arnold; Leslie Jones
6 th	Sherry Sliwa
7 th	Sam Snyder
8 th	JoAnn Rivenbark

9 th	Bill Widholm
10 th	Carl Ward; Laura Alexander; Melanie Greene
11 th	Danielle Shepard; Reagan Shepard
13 th	Donald Mizelle
14 th	Sandi Lowry; Doug Mewborn
15 th	Harriet Rice
16 th	Judy Paliotti; Kenny Burgess
17 th	David Henry
21 st	Sonya Burgess
22 nd	Marlaine Hopper
24 th	Duke Lackey
25 th	Alex Harris
26 th	Alexis Passingham
29 th	Jill Strohpaal
31 st	Perry Chase Smith; Gerry Colman; Stephen Cosner

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 12/18

10:00 Christmas Cantata

11:00 Reception hosted by the Hospitality Team

Monday, 12/19

7:30 a.m- Open Prayer in Sanctuary

3:00 Bible Study, Rm. 6

6:30 Cub Scouts, Rm. 1-4

Tuesday, 12/20

9:00 Quilting Mission, Rm. 6

10:00 Children's Story Time

Wednesday, 12/21

9:30 Communion Service

7:00 Boy Scouts, The Reef

Thursday, 12/22

12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6

Friday, 12/23

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

Saturday, 12/24

5:00 & 7:00 Candlelight Services

Sunday, 12/25 – Merry Christmas

8:00 & 9:20 Communion Services

10:00 Woodbury Visit