

MESSENGER APRIL 9, 2021

Easter Greetings in the name of our risen Lord!

I hope you have been able to enjoy the gloriously beautiful weather this week that is so fitting for the Easter season.

At my house, the sub-freezing temperatures early on Good Friday last week caused dieback on several plants. One of my plants appeared to be completely dead. This morning I started to pull it up, but I noticed that new growth is emerging around the base of it. So, instead of yanking it up and getting rid of it, I cut out the damaged branches, gave it some water and carefully mulched around it. Although the future is uncertain, I believe my plant will soon be thriving and blooming in spite of the damage it suffered last week. I can't wait to see how it turns out!

On Sunday April 11th the members of our church will have an opportunity to vote on proceeding with a construction project to add two classrooms to our building that we hope will ultimately be used to operate a pre-K school in our church. Instead of waiting until the end of 2022 (at the earliest) when all indications are that there will be a separation in our church, this addition is something we can move forward with now. We are blessed to have the financial resources to proceed with this project and to utilize what God has provided to us to help meet a tremendous need in our community for quality child-care. That need will persist regardless of what happens with our denomination.

This coming Tuesday, April 13th at 6:30 PM, our Children's Minister Melissa Schleinkofer will make a Zoom presentation to the church about opening a pre-K school in our church. All church members are welcome to be virtually present to view Melissa's presentation. An invitation will be sent to the email addresses of church members and will also be available on our website.

The church vote will take place after the 9:20 worship service on Sunday, April 18th. According to our *United Methodist Book of Discipline*, only church members who are present will be allowed to vote. We will provide a ballot to members of our church at the conclusion of the 9:20 service. We will allow drive-by voting for those members who wish to vote but are still not comfortable with gathering in the building. Someone will be out front under the portico between 10:00 and 10:30 AM to provide ballots for members who do not wish to enter the building. All other members will receive a ballot in the narthex following the worship service. There will be a short presentation with a question-and-answer session in the sanctuary at 10:30 prior to the vote.

I hope many of you will plan to watch Melissa's presentation on the 13th and be present for the church vote on the 18th. Although the future is uncertain, I believe this project is an opportunity for Faith Harbor to continue to thrive and grow, in spite of the pandemic we have all suffered through in the last year. I can't wait to see how it turns out!

Peace and blessings,

Pastor David

Week of 04-12-21 Scripture Readings

Centering Prayer: *Lord Jesus help us to live as resurrection people.*

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 49

M 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

T Romans 6:3-11

W Philippians 4:8-9

T Romans 12:9-21

F Philippians 3:1-11

S Romans 12:1-2

Key Scripture: *Romans 12:2 Do not conform to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*



On **Wednesday, April 14**, the **Rainbow Circle** will meet at the church at **10:00am** to decide on crafts that we would like to create.

Please bring your glue gun and glue sticks and we might make some things on the 14th.

March 2021 Finance Report and Year to Date Totals

March Contributions:	\$30,552.00
Year to Date Contributions:	\$97,351.52
Year to Date Budget:	\$105,530.04



THANK YOU EVERYONE!!

Thank you to everyone that was able to help with our Spring Clean Up day!! We were able to spread 240 bags of mulch and complete the trimming and weeding of all flower beds.

We still have 5 beds that are available, so if you are interested in adopting a bed to keep it weed free all year long, please email Doug Munjas at dmunjas@gmail.com.

A FOCUS FOR 2021...PRAYER

Prayer is profitable wherever it is invested.

God delights in meeting our small needs just as much as our big ones. All prayer, and all answer to prayer, build our relationship with God. And a deep personal relationship -marked by ongoing, free-flowing communication- is what God desires to have with each one of us.

Prayer is conversation with God.

The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him sincerely and in truth. Psalm 145:18



Members Jim Ace, Jonathan Adams, Scott Adams, Joyce Arnette, Harriet Byrd, Nancy Buckman, Dawn Ellis, Buddy and Suzanne Fussell, Diane Geary, Stephanie Hardin, **Spencer Henry**, Courtney Kane, Beth Kane and her father, Gail and Mike Kaufmann, Janice Long, Terri Luisi, Neal McHenry,

Martha Marlow in recovery mode, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, JoAnn Rivenbark, Nancy Smith, Dave Strohpaul, Kelly Wills and John Wilson recovering at home.

Military: Joe Fraley, Sg. Joey Horne, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, Anthony Ripley, David Ritz.

Friends: Christine, Willie Arnette, Kim Audet, George Brodgen, Del Brouwer, Vicky Burge, Candie, Kathy Carlston, Cheryl, Chris Carroll, Carole and Blaine, **Children**, Chimer Clark, David, Bill Dirk and Teresa, Tobey Ferry, Jan Foster, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Kelly and Amy Glass, Lisa Godwin, Grayson-Cancer, Tara Hall, Grandmother Sue Heavner, Jewel's grandmother, Roy and Tony Horne, Janine and Rudy, Donna Johnson, Lea Jones, Kathy-Liver Cancer, Kelly, Kevin Kesterson, Kody, **Janet Durman Kokran**, Craig Jenkins, Otis Ledford, Barbara Lee, Brenda Leonard, Lisa, A.J. Long, Logan, Loren and Martha, Doreen Luisi, Tim McCart, Sandy McVickers, Andrea (Ann) Maready, Jill Maurer, Ernie Mazzei, Ed Minnich, Michelle, Monica, Rick Nauss, Chuck Osburn, **Parents**, Pastor Stephanie, Jack Parrmar, Rose and Dick Peters, Dot Phillips, Bobby Phillip's cousin Tommy and family in death of his wife to covid, Penny, Susan Penny, Jimmy Platts, Virginia Platts, Judy Pratt, Todd Rice, Stanley and Ruby, Tania Roth, Nancy Serriano, Bear Shenemen, Katrina Seferyn, Jonathan Sloan, Roxanne Smith, Stanley and Ruby, Maria Sutton, Sister Monique Schwartz, **Teachers**, Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, and Bill Zell.

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

IF YOU HAVE REQUESTED PRAYERS FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMED AND THEY ARE HEALED OR RECOVERED AND CAN COME OFF THE LIST PLEASE LET JUDY KNOW.

CHILDREN'S CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

A look ahead

April 11th: Jr. Basic 2nd through 5th grades. 10:15 to 12:15pm

April 18th: Jr. Basic PreK through 1st grade. 10:15 to 12:15pm.

Mark your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School (Yay!!!!).

Monday, June 28th to Thursday, July 1st. "Knights of North Castle"

More information to come in the following weeks.

Hello MS & HS bAsiC Youth parents~

I hope you and yours had a wonderful Easter and Spring Break! ♥ Please see below for meeting information for April & May (the rest of the School year) and Summer Youth Mission Trips & possible events:

***Sun., April 11th ~ Group B meets from 5-6:30pm**

Younger HS Group
Younger MS Group

***Sun., April 18th ~ Group A meets from 5-6:30pm**

Older HS Group
Older MS Group

***Sun., April 25th ~ Group B meets from 5-6:30pm**

Younger HS Group
Younger MS Group

***Sun., May 2nd ~ Group A meets from 5-6:30pm**

Older HS Group
Older MS Group

Sun., May 9th ~ Mother's Day Holiday, **No Youth Group meetings that evening*

***Sun., May 16th ~ Senior Recognition at the 9:20 am service**

Group A meets from 5-6:30pm (End of School year celebration & wrap up)

Older HS Group
Older MS Group

***Sun., May 23rd~ Group B meets from 5-6:30pm (End of School year celebration & wrap up)**

Younger HS Group
Younger MS Group

Sun., May 30th~ Memorial Day Holiday Weekend, **No Youth Group meetings that evening*

Summer Mission Trips & Other events~

***HS Youth Summer Mission trip~ June 21-25th at Lake Junaluska Retreat & Conference Center.** Deposits of \$100 per youth due on Sun. April 18th at Youth group if possible. Please note-if you need more time or need assistance with this fee, please let me know directly. Thank you.

***MS Youth Summer Mission trip~ July 19-23rd at Lake Junaluska Retreat & Conference Center.** Deposits of \$100 per youth due on Sun. May 23rd at Youth group if possible. Please note-if you need more time or need assistance with this fee, please let me know directly. Thank you.

*Other possible late Spring/Summer youth opportunities to include Beach Clean-up days, Service Days, Fellowship events, etc. will be announced to parents as they are determined. **Please don't forget that FHUMC's Vacation Bible School will be on June 28-July 1st in the evenings and if your youth is interested in volunteering, please let Ms. Melissa or myself know at your earliest convenience.

If you should need more information about anything listed above or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at (910)232-9844. We are looking forward to finishing out the rest of the school year strong and a Summer of making new memories with our Middle and High School youth! Thank you 😊

Wishing each of you the Peace of Christ~

Jewels Swain

FHUMC Youth Coordinator



3 Leo Audet
Megan Barnes
Ellis Hiatt

6 Sean Mooney
7 Doris Davis
9 Amy Phillips
Rachel Shade
10 Connie Carroll
11 Hailey Grace Frye
12 Nancy Smith
13 Dave Strohpaal
Allison Stowers
17 Frances Bliss
Sandra Brown
Ann Hummel

19 Kim King
Brent Livingood
Andrew Osborn
20 Morgan Bizzell
Dave Gardner
Janice Long
21 Cody Mayers
22 Ben Black
23 Patty Feige
26 Mollie Gurley
27 Ann Bryan
Conner Frye