

The year 2023 is a year of pedagogy for us at Faith Harbor. The entire congregation is invited to practice the rhythms of Pray—Work—Eat. This rhythm is also highlighted by various folks coming into to teach us particular things. July 28-29 we will be welcoming Dr. Tom Greener to come and lead a seminar on his book called *Finding Our Way*. We would encourage all of you to purchase his book and attend this free seminar. Tom will have some books with him, just in case you don't have a chance to purchase one online. You can purchase them at Amazon.com by typing in the title: *Finding Our Way: How Ancient Practices Help Us Navigate Through Stress, Anxiety, and Alienation*.

Friday, July 28th from 4.30pm-8pm – sessions and dinner

Saturday, July 29th from 9am-12noon – sessions and communion

From your lay leader...

A sweet melody plays within my heart...do you hear the one playing in your heart?



There's within my heart a melody, Jesus whispers sweet and low, fear not I am with you peace, be still, in all of life's ebb and flow.

Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know, fills my every longing, keeps me singing as I go.

Feasting on the riches of His grace, resting 'neath His sheltering wing, always looking on His smiling face, that is why I shout and sing. [Refrain] **By: Luther B. Bridgers**

Oh, what joy floods my soul when I rejoice in my Lord. It doesn't matter what I might be going through, if I will just open my mouth and rejoice in the LORD, my heart just bubbles over with joy.

There are so many things that can bring us down. But if we would let God cheer us up, life's unpleasantries would be a lot more bearable. The LORD will put a sweet melody in your heart when you start glorifying Him, even in difficult times. He will turn that frown upside down, He will put a skip in your step, and you will be whistling, humming, or maybe even singing a happy tune before you know it. When you allow God to fill you with joy, your spirit fills full to overflowing and joy becomes contagious, because your Spirit ignites the spirit of those around you.

So go ahead and feast on the riches of His grace, and before you can say supercalifragilisticexpialidocious you will be bubbling over with a joy that can only be experienced through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I will say rejoice. Rejoice in our Lord even if you don't feel like it.

Let's share the melody in our hearts with all those around.

Loving you always, Your sister in Christ
Jessica Blackburn, your lay leader



A new ministry will be looking for a place to call home. "Lauren's Hope" will be a pregnancy counseling center, offering important information, love and support to women seeking hope in times of uncertainty. An informational with our State Rep. Bobbie Meyer will be held July 20th at the Surf City community building - 6:30p.m.

For more information contact Jessica Blackburn jmb@rayblackburn.com 910-622-1193



I am so excited for our women's conference coming up in September. I still need a team of women willing to help behind the scenes. I have the speaker and worship leader, and they are busy getting the talks and music ready for this amazing day. This first conference will be a one-day retreat. The future conferences will be a full weekend. Contact: Jessica Blackburn 910-622-1193 or jmb@rayblackburn.com



The craft fair has been scheduled for December 2nd. I will be sending out applications starting the 1st week in July. If you know someone who has a unique craft, please let me know, I would love to get them an application. Thank you!
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News & Announcements

WELCOME TABLE:

July 16th: Jeanette Mason & Carrie Olmstead
July 23rd: Sabrina & Zander Guy
July 30th: Cathy & Doug Medlin

Please join us in the Sanctuary for prayer service every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at 7:30a.m.
All are invited!

SCRIPTURE CARD beginning Monday, July 17th

Centering Prayer: Your word is a lamp to my feet. Psalm 119

M Exodus 1.8-22, Matthew 10.34-11.1

Tu Exodus 2.1-15, Matthew 11.20-24

W Exodus 3.1-12, Matthew 11.25-27

Th Exodus 3.13-20, Matthew 11.28-30

F Exodus 11.10-12.14, Matthew 12.1-8

Sa Exodus 13.17-22, Matthew 10.24-33

Su Isaiah 55.10-11, Romans 8.18-23, Matthew 13.1-9

Key scripture: Exodus 3.15: *"The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you."*

Attention!

The Refugee family that our church is sponsoring is in need of a tutor to help them to learn to speak English. They currently speak only Arabic. If you or someone you know could help, please contact Bill Widholm at (910) 431-5056. Thank you.

Down and Dusty - Walking with Christ

A 6-week study of practical ways to deepen our faith using the book "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton. Come join us on Monday afternoon at 3pm this summer. We will explore learning about the teachings of Jesus and how to follow in his footsteps. This is a study of practical ways to live our faith. Bible based. All are welcome. The book can be ordered from Amazon and other online booksellers like Thriftbooks. We start on Monday July 24th and will end by Labor Day.

Call the office to register or contact Gail Widholm at: gwidholm12@yahoo.com for more information.



Faith Harbor United Methodist Church is looking for members who would like to be considered for 1 of 3 new staff positions in our new preschool. We need two Lead Teachers and one Assistant Teacher. **Applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) by July 24th.**

Please contact Mike Hopper, 703-801-2851 and he will provide the position descriptions and answer any questions you may have.



Reading Circle will resume on August 2nd at 10:00. The featured book will be: *The Land is not Empty*. Please join us!



THE APPLE TREE

The Apple Tree is here again full of apples waiting to be picked and baskets waiting to be filled with school supplies for the 65 children in our Summer SHARE the TABLE Backpack program. You have the option of purchasing items from the apple tree or picking up a list and purchasing all the items found on the list.

Thanks in advance for supporting this community outreach ministry sponsored by UWIF.
Last date to drop off school supplies is: August 6th



We will be offering a CPR class in the Narthex on Saturday, August 12th at 9:00 a.m. There is no charge if you don't want a certification card. If you would like a certification card, the fee will be \$30. For more information, please contact Faye Decatur at: fdecatu@gmail.com or (910) 612-5486

Faith Harbor Pilots

A ministry for men, by men, for the good of all.

The Faith Harbor United Methodist Men invite all men to be a part of something special. After a brief pause the men are once again being called to serve as ***“A beacon of hope, anchored in Christ, sharing God’s love through joyful service.”***

The meetings are held the 3rd Saturday of each month unless otherwise designated. We meet at 8am for breakfast and fellowship. Please join us as we begin our planning for the future. All men are eligible to join. The only requirement is the desire to become a disciple of Christ.

Please join us as we meet again on Saturday August 19, 2023 at 8am.

The **Nursing Home Ministry** will join members of the Gathering Church of Surf City on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am in the Memory Care Unit at the Woodbury Wellness Center located at 2778 Country Club Dr, Hampstead. You are welcome to join us on any Sunday to worship and visit with the residents especially on the following Sundays: **July 23rd & August 13th**. *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”* –John 3:16

Contact: Bescye P Burnett (678) 882-6721 or bescyep@gmail.com
“Love...Loves...Loved”

“Not everything that is faced can be changed; but nothing can be changed until it is faced”. —James Baldwin (1924–1987)

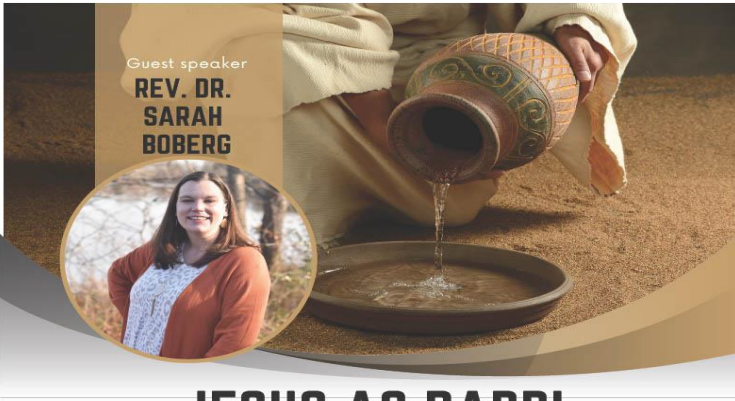
THRIFT STORE



Reminder: Donations for the thrift store should always come through the Harbor Warehouse. *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



Guest speaker
**REV. DR.
 SARAH
 BOBERG**

Rescheduled Event!

Where: Faith Harbor UMC

Date & Time:

Friday, August 25th – 5 to 9:00p.m.

Saturday, August 26th – 9 to 2:00p.m.

Contact: Pastor Philip (910) 524-5676

JESUS AS RABBI

Exploring the Pedagogy of Christ

JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE JOURNEY OF EXPLORATION INTO THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS. WE WILL EXPLORE WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, AND HOW JESUS TAUGHT THE BASICS OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH. THROUGH OUR UNDERSTANDING OF JESUS AS A TEACHER, WE WILL DISCOVER HOW WE CAN SHARE AND COMMUNICATE OUR FAITH WITH OTHERS.



Please join us on Tuesday mornings for our weekly workday from 8:00-12:00. *We would love to see you!*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...



Please join us every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for Children's Story Time!
 Tell a friend, bring a friend!

Children's ministry is currently in need of Sunday school teachers to serve once a month for our 1st and 2nd grade class. We need teachers for the first and third Sunday of the month. For more information, please reach out to Melissa Schleinkofer at: Mxcook8@yahoo.com.



Wow! Can you believe it! Another Faith Harbor Vacation Bible School has been a great success! It is all due to the generosity of time and talents and donations of all of you that contributed to making this event amazing for the children in our community. ALL OF YOU are God's love put into action! We had a total of 113 children in attendance and more than 150 people served dinner every night!

I am truly amazed at all the joyful service that I witnessed and let me say everyone worked very hard to make this happen. We had individuals working in the heat, individuals coming straight from their fulltime jobs, individuals who were standing for hours at a time. Those who had been spending months on preparation. Those who were behind the scenes were always busy moving from place to place where needed. Our Youth that went above and beyond volunteering their time and setting the example for our younger children. The list goes on!

It was so apparent that God was with us and gave us all that we needed to make this a lasting memory for all of the kids that He graced us with. Their smiling faces and joy in the Lord is what it is all about! Thank you all and God bless you.

Blessings,

Melissa Schleinkofer

Children's Ministry Director

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August

August 6th- 27th: for the month of August Sunday after church, Instructions on The Lord's Supper and reading the Bible for children. More information to come.

August 27th: Backpack blessing and Bible recognition.



SUMMER bAsiC (brothers And sisters in Christ) YOUTH HAPPENINGS:

High School Youth outing this Thursday evening, July 13th! (includes Rising 9th- 12th Graders) Meet at the church at 6:30pm. Head to Wilmington for dinner, then go on the Wilmington Ghost Tour downtown at 8:30pm. Church will pay for Admission, and youth brings money for their meal. Pick up is back at the church, youth can text once they arrive back. *Please let us know if your youth(s) are interested! Pastor Philip is the contact person (910) 524-5676.

3) MS youth local missions~ July 19-23rd, VBS at Maple Hill Presbyterian Church. Pastor Philip is the contact person (910) 524-5676

4) HS Summer Mission trip~ July 17-21st through Camp Generate in Asheville, NC and on Sun., July 23rd we will share our experience with the Congregation at the 9:30am Service. *A trip email with detailed logistics will be sent out to those parents here in the next day or so. Permission/Release forms for Camp Generate will need to be completed & notarized- Ms. Jessica will be available to do this again for us on July 16th after church for those who still need to complete. Thanks!

5) Other Social youth outings- TBA throughout the Summer!

****New bAsiC Youth T-shirts that can be worn to any event/trip have Arrived and they look great!** Most of the shirts have been handed out over the past month. Please see me if you haven't already gotten yours. They have been labeled with the Size that either you requested or that we had on file for your youth. Cost to youth is at a discounted rate of \$10. *We encourage all youth to wear their shirts anytime we are on mission or on outings together. Thanks!*

Feel free to contact me if you should have any questions or need further information in regard to Fhumc's Youth Ministry. *Please be in prayer for our youth this Summer, especially during the times they are on mission together. Thank you! Peace be with you all.

Blessings,
Jewels Swain, Fhumc Youth Coordinator
910-232-9844

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I will appreciate the rich diversity of God's universe every day.

By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

~Psalm 33:6 (NIV)



Members: *Gail Ace; Joyce Arnette; Ray Blackburn; Nancy Buckman, Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Janet Hughes; Leslie Jones and family; Martha Marlow; Wendy Mooney and family; Hank & Jan Maser; Tony Merlino; Larry & Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt*

Military: *Joe Fraley, Alex Harris, Andy Harrison, Ryan Hermance; Greg Holmes; Sgt. Joey Horne; Abbie Kizer, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, David Ritz, Michael Roberson, Charlotte Taylor*

Family and Friends: *Belle; Denise; Regina Androski (Sandy Sly's nephew's wife); Chimer Clark (Jessica Blackburn's Dad); Darcie Cooper (Clayann Binning's Niece); Tony Cuffe; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Parker Fox; Tim Maser; Mary Beth McKeever; Jimmy Platts and family; Johnny Paliotti and his mother Donna; Sue & Ted Penny (Vance's Parents); Colin Rice's Brother Todd; Harriet Rice's friend Jen; Barbara & Neil Schilling; Mary Sloan; Jacob Smith and family/ Mark and Sarah (Johnsie's nephews & niece); Stephen Smith; Nancy Sproull*

Website Prayer Requests: *From Frankie Wheeler: Cheryl Arnolt; Grace Mappes; Karolina Hird; Nicole Wolkov; Frederick W. Kagan; Yevgeny Prigozhin*

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

**If you would like to add or have a name removed from the prayer list, please let me know via email. Kim- faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com



JULY

- 1ST: Casey Tayloe; Jolene Ward
2nd: Airlie Passingham
3rd: Deanna Taylor
6th: Frank Tarbell
8th: Dave McCluskey
9th: Carroll Greene; David Menzies
12th: Jim Selby
13th: Larry Modlin; Martha Marlow
14th: Jamie Canady
15th: Layne Lockamy
17th: Lynn Smith
18th: Colin Rice
19th: Jackson Henry
20th: Owen Williams
21st: Mike Kane
24th: Marsha-Lee Ray; Kathy Cantrell
25th: Todd Bizzell; Vicky Cooney; Kathy Winfield
27th: Lyle Butler
31st: Emily Frazier



HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 7/16

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Communion Service

Monday, 7/17

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
6:30p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 7/18

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
7:00p.m. Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 7/19

9:30 Communion
4:00p.m. Finance Meeting
6:30p.m. GS Troop 4242
7:00p.m. Choir Practice
7:00p.m. Boy Scouts/Reef

*MS youth mission: July 19- 23rd VBS at Maple Hill Presbyterian Church.

**HS Mission trip: July 17-21st through Camp Generate in Asheville, NC

Thursday, 7/20

7:30 Open Prayer
12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6
6:00p.m. GS Troop 2424

Friday, 7/21

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

Sunday, 7/23 Youth Sunday

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Worship Service

Monday, 7/24

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
3:00 MABS, Rm. 6

Tuesday, 7/25

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
7:00p.m. Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 7/26

9:30 Communion
10:30 Staff Meeting
7:00p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, 7/27

7:30 Open Prayer
12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6
6:30p.m. Leadership Council Meeting

Friday, 7/28

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group
4:30 – 8p.m. Tom Greener Retreat

Saturday, 7/29

9- 12p.m. Tom Greener Retreat

Sunday, 7/30 – Art Sunday

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Worship Service