



## A Letter from your lay leader...



When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! — My sin, not in part but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
For me, be it Christ, be it Christ hence to live: If Jordan above me shall roll,  
No pang shall be mine, for in death as in life, Thou wilt whisper Thy peace to my soul.  
But, Lord, 'tis for Thee, for Thy coming we wait, the sky, not the grave, is our goal;  
Oh, trump of the angel! Oh, voice of the Lord! Blessed hope, blessed rest of my soul!  
And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul.  
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Oh, what a beautiful song... but I ask you, is it well with your soul? If you, for some unknown reason, passed suddenly from this earth, or if Jesus was to return today, would you know where you would spend eternity? Is your soul churning within you with excitement, for the coming day of our Saviors return? I pray it is well with your soul, and that you know, without a shadow of a doubt, that if you were to die today that you would spend eternity in heaven. We are not promised tomorrow, so, is it well with your soul today?

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



# News & Announcements

## WELCOME TABLE:

October 1<sup>st</sup>: Sabrina & Zander Guy

## COMMUNION SERVERS:

Laura Alexander; Gary and Beth Walker; Kathy Winfield;  
Ray Blackburn (gluten free)

## SCRIPTURE CARD beginning Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

Centering Prayer: Tell of the glorious deeds of the Lord. Psalm 78

M Zechariah 8.1-8, Luke 9.46-50

Tu Zechariah 8.20-23, Luke 9.51-56

W Nehemiah 2.1-8, Luke 9.57-62

Th Nehemiah 8.1-12, Luke 10.1-12

F Nehemiah 9.1-5, Luke 10.10.13-16

Sa Nehemiah 12.27-37, Luke 10.17-24

Su Exodus 20.1-20, Philippians 2.1-13, Matthew 21.23-32

Key scripture: Zechariah 8.22: "Many peoples and strong nations shall come to seek the Lord of hosts in Jerusalem."



*The Youth will have a lemonade stand and bake sale before and after the 9:30 church service this Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please stop by to enjoy some lemonade and sweets! The price is by donation~ all proceeds collected will benefit the Youth Ministry.*





*Do you have a heart for worship? Join us at 6:30pm in the sanctuary~ Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> for a contemporary Worship service!*

*Bring your friends and come with an open heart.*

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### *Save the Date...*

NEW WOMEN'S GROUP! Come join us on October 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the church. We want to create a place of joy, hope, and connection for women of our church and community. At our first meeting we will discuss ideas and topics for the group. Our goal is to support each other as we go through life's challenges applying Christian principles. All women welcome, bring a friend!

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Hello, Faith Harbor! We need additional volunteers to help with our Joyful Drivers mission. There is a tremendous need within the area for rides to medical appointments, shopping, church services, etc. and Faith Harbor has met the need with volunteers. Most of our requests come from people within the Faith Harbor community, and occasionally from outside our church.

Unfortunately, many of our previous volunteers can no longer drive, or are otherwise unavailable. Requests usually come in a few days before needed, and the coordinator sends them out via email or text.

We need drivers who can help occasionally, maybe once a month or less. Volunteers help when they can. I realize that everyone is busy! Drivers must be licensed, have their own insurance, and complete a waiver. Waivers are available on our welcome table on the narthex. **Please let me know if you would like to sign up, or have questions: Paula Hopper, call or text: 703-403-3017, email: [fhumcjoyfuldrivers@gmail.com](mailto:fhumcjoyfuldrivers@gmail.com).**

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*The Quilting group is growing! We are looking for another sewing machine if you have one you would like to donate to this wonderful mission! We meet every Monday and Tuesday at 9:00a.m. Thank you!*





The Harbor Thrift Store is in need of gently used Halloween costumes for children. You may drop off at the store or Harbor warehouse.

Thank you!

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## *Faith Harbor Pilots*

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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. The men of the Church are being called to serve as **“A beacon of hope, anchored in Christ, sharing God’s love through joyful service.”**

The meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. **We hope to see you at our next meeting on October 21, 2023 at 8am.**

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### **~Faith Harbor United Women in Faith~**

To the women of Faith Harbor United Methodist Church:

You are cordially invited to attend the Harbor District United Women in Faith annual meeting on Saturday October 28th. Registration will begin at 9:00 with a light brunch provided from 9-10. Our meeting will begin at 10:00.

It is an honor and blessing for our church to have the opportunity to host this event. We encourage not only current members of the United Women in Faith to attend but warmly welcome any women who would like to learn more about being a member of this wonderful fellowship of women both at the district and local levels. We will have two dynamic speakers from Organizations that support families and children. Dawn Ellis with Share the Table and Regina Hawse with Methodist Home for Children.

If you have any questions or plan to attend this event, please contact me. I can be contacted via email at [sherridavila01@gmail.com](mailto:sherridavila01@gmail.com) or via phone at 919-608-3448.

I will look forward to hearing from you. Blessings to all.

*Sherri Davila*

Harbor District United Women in Faith VP

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The Monday Afternoon Bible Study (MABS) 12-week study of Isaiah continues Mondays at 1:00 PM, Room 6.

All are welcome!



Looking for folks to help re-start the visitation ministry at Faith Harbor. Planning for once-a-month visitation in homes, nursing homes and senior care facilities. Visits could include scripture sharing, singing, visiting and communion. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact: Bescye Burnett at [bescye@gmail.com](mailto:bescye@gmail.com) or Kim McCluskey at [Kmac5036@yahoo.com](mailto:Kmac5036@yahoo.com).

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### **Women Rooted in Christ, Anchored in Love, Building each other up.**

Connections matter...connections with God and with each other. Come and see how God creates a place for women to be encouraged & strengthened, as we learn about Jesus's love for us and how to share it with others. Regardless of what stage of life you are in, you have gifts and insights that others need, and we want you to be a part of building up God's Kingdom.

When? Wednesdays from 11:30-12:30

If you have any questions, please call Stacie Holmes at 910-270-9465 or email: [stacieaholmes@gmail.com](mailto:stacieaholmes@gmail.com).

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***We are excited to welcome back Worship North Carolina!***

***When: Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>***

***Time: 4:00p.m.***

***Where: Soundside Park Amphitheatre in Surf City***

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**The craft fair has been scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup>.** If you know someone who has a unique craft, please let me know, I would love to get them an application. Thank you! *Jessica Blackburn* 910-622-1193 or [jmb@rayblackburn.com](mailto:jmb@rayblackburn.com)

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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 every second Sunday for worship and visit with the residents.**

*"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](mailto: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)

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS...



Hello Faith Harbor Families,  
Happy Fall ya'll! This year children's ministry counsel has determined instead of having a Trunk or Treat here at Faith Harbor we will be attending several Trunk or Treats in our area to hand out candy, prizes, and information regarding Faith Harbor. We will be collecting candy and prize donations to hand out to our community. Please see the donation box in the Narthex for anything you wish to donate.

### October

Oct 8th: Jr Basic

Oct 22nd: Jr. Basic (I am researching a Fall outing to a farm or pumpkin patch).

Blessings,

*Melissa Schleinkofer*

Children's Ministry Director

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### Changes/Updates~

- 1) In an ongoing effort to actively be present with each other & to God, as we learn and grow together, We ask that every youth place their phone (if they have one) in a designated basket upon arrival to Youth Group on Sunday evenings. Once Youth group time is over, they can be picked back up. Thank you for your support!
- 2) For Youth Sundays- Youth will now sit together on the Front Right Side of the Sanctuary (instead of the Front Left). This will hopefully help with the flow of the service. There will still be Reserved Signs put out on the rows we are using on those Sundays.
- 3) We are excited to announce that once a month on a Sunday evening, we would like to offer Dinner to our MS and HS Youth during their regular Fellowship/Snack time of 5-5:30pm. **Currently scheduled dates for this are 10/8(Note change for Oct. date) & 11/19.** \*Please let us know if your family would like to volunteer to provide a meal for our youth. Oct. is already covered!

Please see the below information about Youth group happenings/events to mark your September/October calendar accordingly:

**\*Thurs., Sept. 28th~**

In the evening there is a JV Football Home game at Topsail High School and one of our youth- Aiden Roberson will be playing. If anyone would like to come out and enjoy the game together and support our fellow youth member, please let Stacie Holmes know at 910-270-9465. She is the volunteer leader in charge of this outing. Here is the plan- **For the Topsail High School football JV game. Meet at the church at 5:15 on Thursday, September 28. If needed, we will take the church van. Tickets are \$5.00 for students and \$8.00 for adults.** We will purchase tickets when we meet at the church and know how many are going. Send your youth with \$5.00 for a ticket and spending money for snacks at the game. After the game, Parents can pick up at the High School (Just please have youth let Stacie know if that's the arrangement) OR back at the church. Youth can text on their way back to church, so you will know the pickup time.

**\*Sat., Sept. 30th~**

We are having a Baking Party for our Bake Sale! Any youth that would like to meet at the church from 2-4pm to cook some muffins and sweet treats in the Faith Harbor kitchen, please let us know.

**\*Sun., Oct. 1st~**

Youth Lemonade & Bake Sale before and after the 9:30am Service. Youth, please plan to be here by 9am.

**\*Sun., Oct. 8th~**

***This will be our Sunday where we do a Fun Outing! Please Note- Special time change because of this. Both MS youth and HS youth will need to meet at the church by 4 pm.*** We will most likely separate into our 2 different groups, and each group will go on an outing. (MS youth in one group and HS youth in another group). \*More info. to come on the details of where & what each group will be doing, stay tuned! After the Outings, we will all come back to eat together by 6pm at the church.

6-6:30pm, **\*\*Ms. Emily Law's Famous Chicken Pot Pie provided for all MS & HS Youth, come and enjoy a meal together! (Families are invited too- just kindly let me know how many are coming if possible, thanks!)**

If you should need further information or details about any of these events or the Fhumc bAsiC (brothers And sisters in Christ) youth group, please reach out to me. Thank you!

Peace be with you,

Jewels Swain

Fhumc Youth Coordinator

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Are you missing anything? Please check out our lost and found box over by the mailboxes (across from Room 6). We have several umbrellas, water bottles, glasses, and many other items.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When I walk with God, I know love and peace.

*Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight.*

~Psalm 119:35 (NIV)

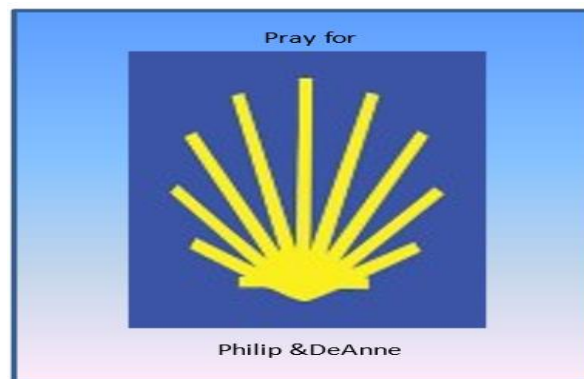


**Members:** Joyce Arnette; Jessica and Ray Blackburn and family; Nancy Buckman, Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Judy & Ken Hoopes; Janet Hughes; Janice Long; Martha Marlow; Tony Merlino; Larry & Becki Modlin; Graham Nutt; Judy Pratt; Rev Alan Sasser

**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; the family of Nick Davis; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Parker Fox; Amanda Gooler and family; Rick Hughes; Tim Maser; Jenny Merritt; the family of Rachael Meyer; Jimmy Platts; Johnny Paliotti and his mother Donna; Barbara & Neil Schilling; Sue Thomas (Janet Hughes Sister); Jacob Smith and family/ Mark and Sarah (Johnsie's nephews & niece)

*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*







BLESSINGS  
ON YOUR  
BIRTHDAY

## SEPTEMBER

28<sup>th</sup>: Jean Hawley; Michael Kaufmann

29<sup>th</sup>: Jordan Albertson

## OCTOBER

1<sup>ST</sup>: Sabrina Guy

3<sup>rd</sup>: Hunter Tayloe

4<sup>th</sup>: Buddy Fowler

5<sup>th</sup>: John Pratt

7<sup>th</sup>: Kelsey Swain

8<sup>th</sup>: LaNier Shepard

9<sup>th</sup>: Pastor Philip; Oliver Alexander

10<sup>th</sup>: Scott Passingham

12<sup>th</sup>: Jessica Blackburn

13<sup>th</sup>: Lisa Berg

15<sup>th</sup>: Becky Moore

16<sup>th</sup>: Rosalie Kerr

17<sup>th</sup>: Greg Holmes; Graham Alexander

18<sup>th</sup>: Jann Tayloe; Faye Decatur

19<sup>th</sup>: Sandy Rogers

20<sup>th</sup>: Louis Secary; Sarah Harris

21<sup>st</sup>: Cathy Medlin

27<sup>th</sup>: David Decatur

28<sup>th</sup>: Zander Guy

29<sup>th</sup>: Roxey Jordan

30<sup>th</sup>: Sue Medlin Smith; Leigh Bizzell

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

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### **Saturday, 9/30**

10:30-12:30pm Cub Scout Outdoor Rain Regatta  
2- 4pm Youth Baking Party

### **Sunday, 10/01**

8:00 Beach Service  
*Youth Lemonade/Bake Sale*  
9:30 Communion Service  
*Youth Lemonade/Bake Sale*  
10:30 Disciple Bible Study

### **Monday, 10/02**

7:30 Open Prayer  
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6  
1:00p.m. Monday Bible Study  
6:30p.m. Cub Scouts

### **Tuesday, 10/03**

7:30 Open Prayer  
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6  
6- 7:45pm MDT  
6:30p.m. Disciple Bible Study, Rm. 6  
7:00p.m. Women's AA/Reef

### **Wednesday, 10/04**

9:30 Communion  
10:00 Reading Circle, Rm. 6  
10:30 Staff Meeting  
11:30 Women Rooted in Christ Group  
7:00p.m. Boy Scouts/Reef  
7:00p.m. Cantata Practice  
7:45p.m. Choir Practice

### **Thursday, 10/05**

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

### **Friday, 10/06**

8:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast Group

### **Saturday, 10/07**

9:00 Trustee's Meeting, Rm. 6  
6:30pm Praise Service

### **Sunday, 10/08**

8:00 Beach Service  
9:30 Worship Service  
10:30 JR Basic  
10:30 Disciple Bible Study  
4:00pm Youth Outing