



*Faith Harbor*  
A beacon of hope, anchored in Christ, sharing God's love through joyful service.

LESLIE NEWBIGIN  
SIN AND SALVATION



*Ephesians 4.11-13: "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."*

We are going to take some time to help equip the saints for the work of the ministry over the next several months. We are going to spend some time reading together as a congregation a seminal work by a missionary named Leslie Newbigin. Leslie Newbigin was a Church of Scotland missionary to India and served in India from 1936-1974. While serving as a missionary he helped form a cooperative denomination called Church of South India, where he became

a Bishop. In order for the schools that were under his care to learn more about the basic tenants of the Christian faith, he decided to write a small book to help the teachers at these schools. This book is called *Sin & Salvation*.

The book is intriguing when it comes to equipping the saints because of how it starts out in his prelude. Newbigin states: he decided to treat the church before faith because "it is the order which the non-Christian has to follow when he comes to Christ. What he sees is a visible congregation in his village. It is that congregation which holds out to him the offer of salvation." This notion of starting with the church, in a theological primer such as his book *Sin & Salvation*, allows us the opportunity to look at the church from a position of entry point to faith.

We are going to meet right at 10.45am for 45 minutes to discuss this book as a congregation. The dates are as follows: (April 21, 28; May 5, 12; June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30). There will be childcare provided. We will be taking a chapter a week (including the prelude the first week). This is bound to be a time for us to be equipped for the work of the ministry that each one of us is called to be about. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Philip Chryst at 910.524.5676

We are ordering 70 copies of the book. If you are able to contribute \$12 we would greatly appreciate it. They should be arriving in a couple of weeks.

## March memory Verse:

Jesus said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. So, the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.” Mark 2:27-28 NASB

12/03/23	Mark 13.24-37	03/25/24	Mark 11.12-33	07/14/24	Mark 6.1-13
12/10/23	Mark 1.1-8	03/26/24	Mark 12.1-27	07/21/24	Mark 6.14-29
12/17/23	Luke 1.46-55	03/27/24	Mark 12.28-44	07/28/24	Mark 6.30-44
12/24/23	Luke 1.26-38	03/28/24	Mark 13.1-23	08/04/24	Mark 6.45-52
12/24/23	Luke 2.1-20	03/29/24	Mark 14-15	08/11/24	Mark 6.53-56
12/31/23	Mark 1.8	03/31/24	Mark 16.1-8	08/18/24	Mark 7.1-23
01/07/24	Mark 1.9-11	04/07/24	Mark 16.9-13	08/25/24	Mark 7.24-37
01/14/24	Mark 1.12-13	04/14/24	Mark 16.14-18	09/01/24	Mark 8.11-21
01/21/24	Mark 1.14-20	04/21/24	Mark 16.19-20	09/08/24	Mark 8.22-26
01/28/24	Mark 1.21-28	04/28/24	Mark 3.7-12	09/15/24	Mark 8.27-38
02/04/24	Mark 1.29-39	05/05/24	Mark 3.13-19	09/22/24	Mark 9.1-8
02/11/24	Mark 1.40-45	05/12/24	Mark 3.20-30	09/29/24	Mark 9.9-13
02/14/24	Mark 2.1-12	05/19/24	Mark 3.31-35	10/06/24	Mark 9.14-29
02/18/24	Mark 2.13-17	05/26/24	Mark 4.1-9	10/13/24	Mark 9.30-37
02/25/24	Mark 2.18-22	06/02/24	Mark 4.10-20	10/20/24	Mark 9.38-50
03/03/24	Mark 2.23-28	06/09/24	Mark 4.21-25	10/27/24	Mark 10.1-12
03/10/24	Mark 3.1-6	06/16/24	Mark 4.26-34	11/03/24	Mark 10.13-16
03/17/24	Mark 10.46-52	06/23/24	Mark 4.35-41	11/10/24	Mark 10.17-31
03/24/24	Mark 11.1-11	06/30/24	Mark 5.1-20	11/17/24	Mark 10.32-34
		07/07/24	Mark 5.21-43	11/24/24	Mark 10.35-45

## WELCOME TABLE

March 17<sup>th</sup>: Sabrina & Zander Guy

## Communion Servers for this Sunday:

Mike and Paula Hopper & Tony and Nancy Merlino.



Please take a moment during your daily prayers to pray for the youth and chaperones who will be traveling to Camp Don Lee this weekend for the spiritual retreat.

Youth: Isaac Sawyer, Olivia Barras, Jorydn Barrett, Anna Law, Addie MacDougall, Gavin Robinson, Jackson LaFave, Airlie Passingham, Perry Chase Smith, Eve Schleinkofer, Grace Holmes, Karlie Holmes, Chaize Lipford, Caroline Shepard, Nathan Chryst, Hunt Tayloe, Jack Papke, Oscar Phillips, Lilly Gorman, Will Pirro, Nicole May, and Dylan Minor

Chaperones: Pastor Philip, Stacie Holmes, Jewels Swain, Mary Frances McClure, and LaNier Shepard

# News & Announcements



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

We are offering a New Member Class on March 24th at 10:45am. This will be in the Sanctuary. The sessions entail: What does it mean to be a Christian? What does it mean to be a United Methodist? and What does it mean to be a member of Faith Harbor? If there are any questions anyone is welcome to call Philip Chryst at 910.524.5676



Do you have a heart for worship? Join us at 5:30pm in the sanctuary~ **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>** for a contemporary Worship service!

Bring your friends and come with an open heart.



Order forms will be in the bulletin this Sunday for Easter Lilies or Hydrangea. You can also email me at: [faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com). Please indicate if you would like to Honor someone or if the flowers are In Memory of someone. The cost- Lily \$10.00 Hydrangea \$25. **Order deadline – this Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.**

## *Faith Harbor Pilots*

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

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

*The Faith Harbor Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members will be our guests for the March Meeting. Please make plans to attend our March meeting to learn more about this team and their objectives within the community. Breakfast will be served around 8:00 am followed by an introduction of the CERT members and their presentation ending with a Q&A session. This team serves a vital role within our Church and community, so it is important for us to understand and support this vital mission.*

**We hope to see you at our next monthly meeting ~Saturday March 16, 2024 at 8am.**

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### **Monday Morning Men’s Group has become Tuesday Morning Men’s Group**

Come as you can, if you can - This men’s group will meet at Sears Landing on Tuesdays at 8:30am and wait until 9:00am to order for those wishing to eat. This will be an informal gathering for all men who are interested in food and fellowship. If you have any questions, contact Roger Morton at [rramorton@gmail.com](mailto:rramorton@gmail.com).



## Please join us as we celebrate Holy Week and Easter...

March 24 at 8:00 & 9:30a.m~ Palm Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt

March 25 - 29: Holy Week Services

Monday~ Foot washing 7:00pm

Tuesday~ Healing Service 7:00pm

Wednesday~ Seder Service @ 6:00p.m.

Thursday~ Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm

Friday~ Self-guided Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary open from 9am-5pm

Stations of the Cross at the beach at 7pm. We will gather at Public Beach access #13 (near 514 N. Shore Drive, Surf City). If you need free parking, you can park at The Gathering Church (304 Wilmington Avenue).

March 31~Easter Sunrise Service @ Soundside Park Amphitheater – 7:00a.m.

Beach Service (Roland Ave) @ 8:00a.m.

Easter Services in Sanctuary- 9:00 & 11:00a.m.



Please join us for the upcoming Easter Sunday Luncheon on March 31, 2024, after the 11:00 am service.

We plan to open service lines at 12:30 pm, after the luncheon tables are set up.

The Hospitality Team along with Chef Marion Shade will provide Baked Ham, New Potatoes, and rolls. The congregation is being asked to provide the side dishes and desserts listed on the Sign-Up Attendance Sheet posted by the kitchen service window. The number of attendees must be on the signup sheet to ensure that adequate amounts of food/beverage are available. Looking forward to serving our wonderful congregation.

Gratefully,

*Jean Hawley and Hospitality Team*



Our Faith Harbor Preschool is ready to expand by adding a class for 2-year-olds in the Fall! We are now recruiting for another teacher and an assistant teacher to support this new program. Please share this information if you or someone you know is interested in applying for either of these positions. Feel free to contact the church office (910) 328.4422 for a copy of the position descriptions.

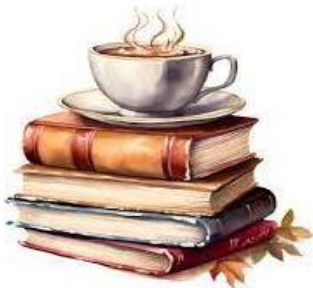
Applicants are requested to provide a resume and a cover letter. **Deadline for applications is Sunday, March 31st.** Applications may be dropped off at the church with the church secretary or placed in the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) mailbox across from Classroom 6. If you have questions, you may contact Mike Hopper, 910-801-2851 or Melissa Schleinkofer, Preschool Director at (484)515-7361 or email at [fhumcprek@gamil.com](mailto:fhumcprek@gamil.com)

*Save  
the  
Date*

### **UPCOMING FAMILY NIGHT SUPPERS!**

April 3rd at 6:00pm – Sponsored by United Women in Faith

May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm- Sponsored by the Panama Mission



If you are a reader or would just like to get together for good conversation, the Reading Circle would love to have you! We meet the first Wednesday of the month at 10:00a.m. in Room 6. The March book is: “The New American~ a Novel” by Micheline A. Marcom. The book for April will be: “Exodus” by Leon Uris. Please join us...bring a friend!



## Refugee Resettlement Program

Bathroom Kit DRIVE

*\*Instructions:* Please take a Tag of your choice from the "Donation Tree", purchase the items, and return them in a bag with the Tag attached and place in the Bins provided in the

Narthex. This is a 2 Month Drive, done in 2 parts. Current Tags on tree are due by March 31, 2024. Please note~ All items should be Regular Size (not travel size or super sizes) and be New & in their original packaging. Thanks!

*Our bAsiC Youth group is spearheading this Drive as one of our local Mission projects in conjunction with Church World Service's Refugee Resettlement Program. We ask that the congregation of Faith Harbor UMC join us in this drive as we seek to "invite the stranger" that is in need (Matthew 25:35-36). Thank you all in advance for your kindness and generosity in this endeavor! Love, bAsiC Youth Group 😊*

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**Come and try the Monday Bible study! We meet weekly at 1:00 pm in Room 6.**

**We will focus on the book of Mark, verse by verse, looking at the narrative, yet more importantly discuss the spiritual meaning especially as it relates to our own lives. Drop in & join us...all are welcome!**

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

**When? Wednesdays from 11:15-12:30p.m.**



The Thrift Store is in need of gently used Spring/Summer children's wear. Also, Spring clean-out of household items and furniture!

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

"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...



### Important Calendar News!

Jr. Basic youth group is in need of someone who would be willing to heat up and serve food to our elementary school children. We provide all the food (chicken nuggets, pasta, easy type foods that are kid friendly), I just really need help with someone to prepare it and then clean up afterwards. Please reach out if you can help. Let me just add that this is one of the children's favorite things to do at church; have a meal and fellowship together.

Hello Families,

Our Easter Egg hunt is a little over one week away! If you have donations for candy or eggs, please be sure to bring them in this Sunday and drop them off in the bin in the Narthex. Also on that day, Palm Sunday, we will be having our children hand out palms and walk together in a procession at the being of the church service. Please have children arrive no later than 9:15am. We will meet in the children's hallway.

### March

March 24th: Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt. Parents stay.



## April

April 7th: Jr. Basic, pick up 12:30

April 21st: Jr. Basic, pick up 12:30

## May

May 5th: Jr. Basic, pick up 12:30

May 19th: Jr. Basic, pick up 12:30

## A look ahead....

### June

June 9th: Jr. Basic End of the school year party and celebration!

June 24th-27th: Vacation Bible School 9am-Noon.\*\*\*Note time change\*\*\*

Blessings,

Melissa Schleinkofer, Children's Ministry Director

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\*Fri., March 15th- Sun., March 17th~ Confirmation/Spring Spiritual Retreat weekend at Camp Don Lee. We meet at the church at 4:15pm and return around Noon on Sunday. That Evening- No Confirmation Class or Regular youth group meetings due to just returning from the weekend Retreat.

\*Sunday, March 24th~ This is Palm Sunday AND this is our Youth Sunday for the month of March. We will have plenty of opportunities to serve. We will need youth to help with the Palm procession (4+), Greeters (2), Doorman (1), Ushers(4), Readers(2)- Psalms & Opening Prayer. We will also need youth willing to come with me (Leave Service a bit early) and help hide Easter Eggs for the Children's Egg Hunt after the Service. Just let me know how your youth can help out, thanks!

That Evening-

Confirmation Class meets from 4-5pm in the Library

MS youth meet from 4-5pm in The Reef

MS and HS Fellowship time from 5-5:30pm with Meal provided in the Narthex!

HS youth meet from 5:30-6:30pm in The Reef

\*Wed., March 27th- Youth Council meet at 4:45pm in Rm. 6. All youth and parents are invited to attend!

\*March 24th- March 31<sup>st</sup> is Holy Week~ Please consider joining us in these meaningful churchwide services!

Wed., March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm- Sater Meal

Thurs., March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm- Maundy Thursday Service

Fri., March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm- Beach Stations of the cross (Confirmands to carry Crosses and Good Friday Readings take place) Specific Beach access will be given.

Sun., March 31<sup>st</sup> ~ Easter Sunday!!!

7am- Service at Soundside Park

8am- Beach Service

9am & 11am- Services in the Fhumc Sanctuary \*Youth have been asked to help with Communion at the 11am service- Please let me know if your Youth would like to be a Communion Steward. We would need 5 youth.

That Evening- No Confirmation Class or Regular youth group meetings due to Easter. Celebrate with family!

**\*SAVE THE DATE~** Confirmation Sunday will be on April 7<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30am Service. All Youth, please plan to attend to support our 2024 Confirmands!

**\*Looking Ahead for Summer Youth Mission activities- Save the Date For your Calendar now!**

Faith Harbor VBS~ June 24th-27<sup>th</sup> from 9am- Noon. All Youth (MS & HS) are encouraged to come help- even for a day or 2! Reach out if available, thanks!

Maple Hill VBS outreach~ July 10th-14<sup>th</sup> at Maple Hill Presbyterian Church. All Youth (MS & HS) are welcome to join in this fun outreach opportunity.

High School Summer Mission Trip~ July 14th-20<sup>th</sup> in Seymour, TN with Team Effort Missions. All Rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders and up are eligible to participate in this trip. \*Note- First Deposit of \$100 per youth is due by March 14<sup>th</sup> to hold our Spots, last payment of \$100 is due by June 3<sup>rd</sup> for a total of \$200 for the registration. The other half and transportation is covered by the church. If your High School youth is interested, please reach out to me, thanks!

Lots of information listed above! Feel free to contact me should you have any questions. These are exciting times for our bAsiC (brothers And sisters in Christ) youth here at Faith Harbor UMC and we covet your prayers as we seek to mentor them and grow them up in their Faith! Thank you for your continued love and support!

Peace of Christ be with you,

Jewels Swain, Fhumc Youth Coordinator

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## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

No matter my grief, the light of Jesus will always surround me.

*Let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God;  
let them be jubilant with joy.*

~Psalm 68:3 (NRSVUE)



**Members:** Joyce Arnette; Ray Blackburn; Nancy Buckman; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Janet Hughes; Janice Long; Doug & Sandi Lowery; Martha Marlow; Tony Merlino; Larry & Becki Modlin; Steve Olmstead; Alma Osborn (Dale); Anita Philips; Judy Pratt; Leo Valiante; Ron (Annie) Voli; Steve Wells; Alice Williams; Sandy Wise; Jim Wygant

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

**Family and Friends:** Kelly Bonnell's Husband; Paxton (Connie Carroll's son); *Pat Bower* (Sandy Sly's friend); Judy Grubbs Cordts (Sandy Sly's friend); Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Hayden Ennis Family; Parker Fox; Rick Hughes; John Kennedy; *the family of Teresa Parker*; Steven Penley (Jewels' cousin); *Ted Penny (Vance's Dad)*; Barbara & Neil Schilling; the family of Mary Sloan; Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Betty Ann (friend of Diane Secary); *Sarah Kilpatrick and family (Johnsie's 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*

SCRIPTURE CARD ~Week of March 18<sup>th</sup>

Centering Prayer: Restore to me the joy of your salvation. Psalm 51

M John 8.1-11

Tu II Samuel 7.4-16, John 8.12-30

W Daniel 3.14-30, John 8.31-42

Th Genesis 17.3-9, John 8.51-59

F Jeremiah 20.10-13, John 10.31-42

Sa Ezekiel 37.21-28, John 11.45-56

Su Mark 11.1-11

Key scripture: Mark 11.9: "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"



## MARCH

1<sup>st</sup>: Alma Osborn

3<sup>rd</sup>: Alice Williams

4<sup>th</sup>: Sean Wrigglesworth

8<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer Fox

9<sup>th</sup>: Kent Smith; Carrie Olmstead

11<sup>th</sup>: Jewels Swain

15<sup>th</sup>: Jeanne Mangus

17<sup>th</sup>: Jency Paliotti; Steve Olmstead

18<sup>th</sup>: Ryan Chryst

19<sup>th</sup>: Christa Wrigglesworth

20<sup>th</sup>: Debbie Sasser

21<sup>st</sup>: Mike Davis; Cole Frazier; Bonnie Hunter

26<sup>th</sup>: Justin May

27<sup>th</sup>: Marianne Sliwa

28<sup>th</sup>: Nancy Merlino; Stephen Olmstead

29<sup>th</sup>: Maris Jordan; Sherry Mewborn; Thomas Papke

30<sup>th</sup>: Evangeline Schleinkofer; Lila May; Amber Hengst

31<sup>st</sup>: Audrey Audet

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

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### **Sunday, 3/17**

8:00 Communion Service  
9:30 Worship Service  
10:30 Disciple Bible Study  
\*No Youth Group

### **Monday, 3/18**

9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6  
1:00p Bible Study, Rm. 6  
6:30p Cub Scouts

### **Tuesday, 3/19**

8:30 Men's Breakfast @ Sear's Landing  
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6  
6:00p MDT  
6:00p Praise Band Practice  
6:30p Disciple Bible Study, Rm. 6  
7:00p Women's AA Group/Reef

### **Wednesday, 3/20**

9:30 Communion  
11:15 Women's Group  
7:00p Choir Practice  
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef

### **Thursday, 3/21**

12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6

### **Friday, 3/22**

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

### **Sunday, 3/24 – Palm Sunday**

\*Youth Sunday  
8:00 Communion Service  
9:30 Worship Service  
10:30 JR Basic Easter Egg Hunt  
10:45 New Member Class  
4:00p Confirmation Class, Rm. 6  
4:00p MS Youth Group  
5:00p MS/HS Fellowship Time  
5:30p HS Youth Group