



Faith Harbor

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



Hebrews 12.3: "Consider Jesus who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart."

This time of year, we are invited to consider Jesus' last week – leading up to his death. We pause this time of year and contemplate this holy week. We do it personally – in our prayers, scripture reading, and meditation. We also do it communally – as we gather for worship and consider corporately Jesus'

life, death, and resurrection. The author of Hebrews adjures us to consider this rage, mob violence, hostility, and murder.

We do this at Faith Harbor in very intentional and creative ways – and they are ways that invite the entire community to participate. We invite our community to celebrate the parade of palms & hosannas – with a time of celebration of an Easter Egg Hunt. This is always a great time – but there is an air of dread that is implicit in this celebration – because we personally & corporately know this leads to Golgotha.

We invite our community to consider the week leading up to Jesus' death by inviting the community to a foot washing, a healing service, a Seder meal, Maundy Thursday, and Stations of the Cross – where we gaze upon the cross where Jesus died. We also invite folks from 9am-5pm on Good Friday, to come personally and consider the art in the sanctuary, that is a self-guided reflection on that dreadful Friday scene.

This solemn and dreadful week is an experiential opportunity to live into what the writer of Hebrews is urging us to consider. It is a communal opportunity to live out this calling. I would urge you to follow Jesus all the way to the place of death in a borrowed tomb. This experience includes highs and lows. Please pay attention to the list of events below and if you have any questions feel free to reach out. 910.524.5676.

Date	Event	Location
Sunday, March 24 th at 9.30am	Palm Sunday	Sanctuary
Sunday, March 24 th at 10.45am	Easter Egg Hunt	Church Lawn
Monday, March 25 th at 7pm	Foot Washing Service	Sanctuary
Tuesday, March 26 th at 7pm	Healing Service	Sanctuary
Wednesday, March 27 th at 7pm	Seder meal	Narthex
Thursday, March 28 th at 7pm	Maundy Thursday Service	Sanctuary
Friday, March 29 th at 7pm	Stations of the Cross	Public Beach Access #14 – Surf City
Friday, March 29 th – 9am-5pm	Stations of the Cross Art	Sanctuary - self-guided
Sunday, March 31 st at 7am	Easter Sunrise Service	Amphitheater Soundside Park – Surf City
Sunday, March 31 st at 8am	Easter Beach Service	Crossover – end of Roland Ave. Surf City
Sunday, March 31 st at 9am	Easter Service	Sanctuary
Sunday, March 31 st at 11am	Easter Service	Sanctuary
Sunday, March 31 st at 12noon	Easter Brunch	Narthex–put on by Hospitality Committee

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 24th: Cathy & Doug Medlin

Communion Servers for this Sunday:

Harriet & Colin Rice and Alexis & Scott Passingham

News & Announcements



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



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



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.

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 😊



Do you have a heart for worship? Join us at 5:30pm in the sanctuary~ **Saturday, April 13th** for a contemporary Worship service!

Bring your friends and come with an open heart.

Faith Harbor Pilots

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.

We hope to see you at our next monthly meeting ~Saturday April 20, 2024 at 8am.

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.

*Save
the
Date*

UPCOMING FAMILY NIGHT SUPPERS!

April 3rd at 6:00pm – Sponsored by UWIF

May 1st at 6:00pm- Sponsored by the Panama Mission

June 5th at 6:00pm – Sponsored by FHUMC Choir

Family Night Supper

Wednesday, April 3, 2024 6PM

Sponsored by:

Faith Harbor United Women in Faith



Soups, Salads, Desserts, Beverages

UWF members please sign up to prepare and/or serve the meals.

Contact Bonnie Hunter or Jenny Mizelle for more information.

Bonnie Hunter, bennettandbonnie@yahoo.com, 540-621-3645

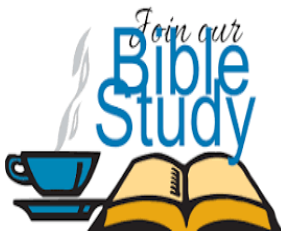
Jenny Mizelle, jennymizelle@gmail.com, 919-818-3857



Mark your calendar for the upcoming Talent Show – Wednesday, June 5th following the fellowship dinner. Stay tuned for more information!



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!



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!

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.

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 almost here! On that day, Palm Sunday, we will be having our children hand out palms and walk together in a procession at the begining 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

Faith Harbor UMC

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***Sunday, March 24th~ This is Palm Sunday AND this is our Youth Sunday for the month of March. Most of the opportunities to serve have already been filled, however we are still in Need of Youth willing to help with waving Palms. 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! **All of the youth will sit in the Reserved section on the Right Front side of the Sanctuary**

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 31st is Holy Week~ Please consider joining us in these meaningful churchwide services!

Wed., March 27th at 6pm- Sater Meal

Thurs., March 28th at 7pm- Maundy Thursday Service

Fri., March 29th at 7pm- Beach Stations of the cross (Confirmands to carry Crosses and Good Friday Readings take place) *Beach access #14*.

Sun., March 31st ~ 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 7th 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-27th from 9am- Noon. All Youth (MS & HS) are encouraged to help- even for a day or 2! Reach out if available, thanks!

Maple Hill VBS outreach~ July 10th-14th 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-20th in Seymour, TN with Team Effort Missions. All Rising 9th graders and up are eligible to participate in this trip. *Note- First Deposit of \$100 per youth is due by March 14th to hold our Spots, last payment of \$100 is due by June 3rd 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

Forgiveness can set me free from emotional burdens.

If you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

~Matthew 6:14 (NIV)



Members: Joyce Arnette; Ray Blackburn; Robert Buckman and family; 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; the family of Teresa Parker; Steven Penley (Jewels' cousin); Ted Penny (Vance's Dad); Joey Osborn (Colin Rice); 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 25th

Centering Prayer: This is the day the Lord has made. Psalm 118

M Isaiah 42.1-7, John 12.1-11

Tu Isaiah 49.1-6, John 13.21-38

W Isaiah 50.4-9, Matthew 26.14-25

Th Exodus 12.1-14, John 13.1-15

F Isaiah 52.13-53.12, John 18.1-19.42

Sa Exodus 14.15-15.1, Mark 16.1-7

Su Isaiah 25.6-9, Acts 10.34-43, John 20.1-18

Key scripture: Mark 16.2: "Very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb."



MARCH

1ST: Alma Osborn
3rd: Alice Williams
4th: Sean Wrigglesworth
8th: Jennifer Fox
9th: Kent Smith; Carrie Olmstead
11th: Jewels Swain
15th: Jeanne Mangus
17th: Jency Paliotti; Steve Olmstead
18th: Ryan Chryst
19th: Christa Wrigglesworth
20th: Debbie Sasser
21st: Mike Davis; Cole Frazier; Bonnie Hunter
26th: Justin May
27th: Marianne Sliwa
28th: Nancy Merlino; Stephen Olmstead
29th: Maris Jordan; Sherry Mewborn; Thomas Papke
30th: Evangeline Schleinkofer; Lila May; Amber Hengst
31st: Audrey Audet

APRIL

3RD: Leo Audet; Meg Barnes; Hiatt Ellis; Joanna Wrigglesworth
6th: Sean Mooney
7th: Doris Davis; Keith Norris
9th: Rachel Shade; Amy Phillips
10th: Connie Carroll
12th: Nancy Smith
13th: Allison H. Campbell; David Strohpaul
17th: Ann Hummel
20th: Morgan Bizzell; Janice Long
21st: Janice Morton
23rd: Patty Feige
27th: Ann Bryan

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 3/24- Palm Sunday

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

Monday, 3/25

9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
1:00p Bible Study, Rm. 6
6:30p Cub Scouts
7:00pm Foot Washing Service

Tuesday, 3/26

8:30 Men's Breakfast @ Sear's Landing
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
7:00pm Healing Service
7:00p Women's AA Group/Reef

Wednesday, 3/27

9:30 Communion
10:30 Staff Meeting
11:15 Women's Group
4:45pm Youth Council Meeting
6:00pm Seder Service
7:00p Choir Practice
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef

Thursday, 3/28

12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6
4:30pm Theology Session
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, 3/29 – Good Friday

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group
9– 5 Self-Guided Stations of the Cross in Sanctuary
7:00pm Stations of the Cross at the Beach

Saturday, 3/30

11:00 Choir Practice

Sunday, 3/31 - Easter

7:00 Sunrise Service
8:00 Beach Service
9:00 Easter Service
11:00 Easter Service
12:30 Easter Luncheon