



November Memory Verse:

Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven.

Then come, follow me." ~ Mark 10:21

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

A note from Gail Robinson...

I among others have had a passion for beautifying the 3 cross area next to the church with native plants, and grass and fern mowing. One particular vine of interest to me is indigenous to the NC coastal area called the Passiflora Incarnata-translated in English as the passion of the incarnate Christ- blooms royal purple flowers at Easter time, needs full sun, and is very hardy. So once approved to plant the vine I started the project.

On May 20th, I planted the passiflora incarnata on the center cross of Christ in honor of my my father's birthday who is a retired Lutheran minister, and in Honor of our risen Lord. Through the summer the vine prospered and almost reached the top of the cross. One day in mid-August I noticed the dark green foilage was looking pale and I discovered this bright orange worm with black deathly spikes having a prolific feast on all the leaves, branches and purple blooms. I had a bit of a panic that Jesus' incarnate plant is dying. I made an abrupt dash to Lowes and got Captain Jacks worm killer and used the whole bottle, certain to do the trick. My Father would have been proud. So, a couple of weeks later I checked on the vine knowing it would be rejuvenated, yet to find it more depleted than prior. In my devastation I realized that I was surrounded by gorgeous bright orange butterflies. The butterflies were all around the bog area and field as well as Christ's cross and vine. It dawned on me that the worm was a butterfly worm and that the passiflora vine contributed life to this beautiful butterfly. I researched this worm immediately and found its name to be the Oleander wooly bear caterpillar that transforms into a beautiful orange butterfly with metallic dark blue spots. So the vine sacrifices its life for the butterfly and Christ sacrifices his life for us. The vine goes dormant in the cooler months and is full of seed pods to bring us more of the vine and sure to resurrect at Easter time. What a joy this experience has been - and that true joy comes from knowing Christ lives and a simple butterfly can be such a reminder as well as that there is life for us after death. So reassuring. Blessings to you all this dormant season.



Greeters:

November 3rd: Rebecca Drudge & Jeanne Mangus

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

November 6th: Youth Council @ 5:00pm

November 7th: SPRC @ 6:30pm

November 14th: Finance Meeting @ 5:15pm November 14th: Leadership Council @ 6:30pm November 14th: Charge Conference @ 7:30pm



Please join us... Bring a friend!

November 6th: Hosted by Faith Harbor Pilot's Group

Menu: Brunswick Stew (vegan option available), Salad, Corn Bread (gluten-free

avail), Dessert, Tea/Lemonade/Coffee/Water



Do you have a heart for worship? We would love you to join us in the Sanctuary at 5:30pm for a contemporary Worship service. Mark your calendars-bring your friends!

Fall

November 9th November 23rd

Winter

December 14th December 28th

Save the Date!

A Sharpening Event- Tuesday, October 29th From 9:30 am until all the work is finished! 103 Mesa Lane, Holly Ridge, NC 28445 (Waterside neighborhood behind Dollar General)

Mike Hoffman, a professional sharpener, will be at Jim & Vicki Wygant's home on Tuesday, October 29th. Knives are \$1 /inch and scissors are \$15. He can also sharpen pinking shears, garden tools, and anything that has a straight blade (but not saw blades). Please call him #732-779-9661 if you plan to come in the afternoon (to make sure he'll still be there). This is open to everyone; bring your friends! Please pay Mr. Hoffman directly once he has completed your job.

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. 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 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 for good food and fellowship as we plan for the future.

We hope to see you at our next gathering on Saturday, November 16th at 8 AM

Tuesday Morning Men's Group

Come as you can, if you can – Unless otherwise stated, the men's breakfast group meets at Sear's Landing every Tuesday beginning around 8:30am and waiting until 9:00am to order for those wishing to eat. Roger Morton, our Devotional leader and Biblical Scholar, provides an inspirational devotion each week. Please join us anytime if you wish to start your day in an uplifting and inspirational way. For more information contact Roger Morton at rramorton@gmail.com.



CHAP (Community Holiday Assistance Program) will be collecting Harris Teeter gift cards or monetary donations for Thanksgiving distribution. Indicate CHAP on check (payable to Faith Harbor UMC) and/or envelope, and place in the collection plate through Sunday, November 17th. You may also drop them off at the church office or Share the Table. Meals are expected to cost between \$60- \$75 and we are planning for 300 to be distributed on Saturday, November 23rd. If you would like to volunteer for Thanksgiving set up and distribution, please contact Faye Strickland.

Thank you! We are blessed to be a blessing to others! Fave

fayestr46@gmail.com or 910-264-6151

United Women in Faith will be at the Craft Fair with their Take & Bake Entrees and Desserts! Let us know what you like and what you want to see added to our selections. THANK YOU AGAIN. Bonnie Hunter, 540 621 3645.



ITS CRAFT FAIR TIME! Come one come all, December 7th from 9am - 2pm. Over 20 local vendors, United Women in Faith will have their frozen entrees. Harbor Thrift Store will be hosting the Christmas store. Invite your friends and neighbors to come out.

Vendor applications are available in the church office or if you would like more information, please contact Jessica Blackburn (910) 622.1193 or jmb@rayblackburn.com

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...Harbor Thrift Store Annual Christmas Shop will be held in the Harbor Warehouse on December 6th and 7th 10:00AM-3:00PM (CASH ONLY) We'll have toys, greenery, trees, wreaths, trims & more!

*Donations for this sale can be made at the store or the warehouse. Please contact Ms. Jean or one of the volunteers with any questions.

THRIFT STORE



Harbor Thrift Store Hours

Tuesday - Friday 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Closed: Saturday, Sunday and Monday

The Thrift Store is looking for household items and furniture in good condition. No adult clothing, electronics, broken or damaged items.

Harbor Thrift Store can no longer accept donations without an appointment. Please contact someone from the list below to schedule donation drop offs.

Sandy Taylor (540) 420-6713 Beth Walker (252) 213-2240 Sylvia Bowman (910) 284-3131 Gloria Richardson (704) 804-4909 Sabrina Guy (910) 526-4183

Women Rooted in Christ, Anchored in Love, Building each other up. When? Wednesdays from 11:15-12:30p.m.

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.

FYI from Pastor Bescye...

NEW online course from Wesley Pathways for Ministry

Lord, Teach Us to Pray-Learn and experience new ways to pray.

Introductory offer: \$25 \$5 through December 31, 2024

This six-unit course is intended for laity who do not currently have a prayer practice or who desire to go deeper in their relationship with God through prayer (clergy are also welcome). The course is experiential, inviting students to practice different forms of prayer and to discover what approaches work for them. Students will be exposed to a wide variety of prayer practices, including prayers from the African American tradition. Different practitioners share various forms of prayer.

Course learning objectives:

- Students will be exposed to at least ten different prayer practices, including silence, Lectio Divina (praying using scripture), awe practices, nature walks, the Psalms of lament and new orientation, using visual images for prayer, prayers for peace and justice, icons, and Christian mindfulness.
- Students will practice at least six different prayer practices and will reflect on their prayer experiences by journaling in words or images.

Learn more and enroll now at wesleypathways.com.



I would like to take a minute to share that ALL our women at Faith Harbor are a part of the United Women in Faith. While you may not be an enrolled member, each of you have something you can contribute. God has given us all talents and blessed us with a loving church family. If you would like to find out ways that you might be able to participate in this awesome women's group, reach out to me or any of our members. Our unit president is Bonnie Hunter. You will be met with open arms!!

Let's be a beacon of hope and light into the world! *Sherri Davila*, Harbor District UWF President



You are invited to a weekly opportunity to grow in your relationship with Christ

We will meet in the sanctuary on Thursdays at 9:30 to learn and practice Centering Prayer. No experience is necessary, only a desire to spend time opening your heart to the Savior. We will also be discussing various books, starting with "Everything Belongs" by Richard Rohr. It is not necessary to attend each week. Please come and taste the goodness of our Lord. For questions, call Gail Widholm (910) 297.2465 or Bescye Burnett (678) 882.6721

The Nursing Home Ministry of Faith Harbor join members of the Gathering Church on Sunday mornings at 11:00 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)



Volunteers needed. We are always looking for people to help, whether as a Sunday School teacher, nursery helper or many other roles.

Jr Basic Dates

November 3 December 1 November 17 December 15



Youth News:

Middle school – b.A.s.i.C. Calling all Middle Schoolers! Check out all the ways to get involved with other Middle Schoolers during the month of October!! Lots to do and lots of fun to have!

NOVEMBER

November 3: Middle School Basic immediately following worship. NOTE: The Middle Schoolers showed an interest in putting together a youth band to play several times throughout the year. Ms. Amber from the choir has graciously agreed to work with them for a December performance. Everyone interested in playing or singing be there to give input. Lunch and bible study to follow. Still talking Jonah and he may get eaten this time!!

November 6: United Methodist Men are hosting the monthly dinner and have asked the youth to be a part of it with all proceeds going to the youth for mission work. Middle School will take the early shift by serving drinks and waiting tables. Be there by 5:00 pm!

November 17: Middle School Basic includes lunch, play and bible study...still Jonah!

November 17: Come back that evening for a "Friendsgiving" with all Youth including Middle School and High School!! It will be a potluck so bring your favorite food.

More information to come:

December 1: Middle School will visit Nursing Home

December 8: Youth Sunday, Middle Schooler's will serve as greeters, ushers, liturgist

December 8: Middle School Band perform at worship

December 8: Youth Christmas Party

December 15: Middle School make exam goody bags for the high schoolers

High School- A busy month for high schoolers. Check out ways to serve and learn.

Sunday, Nov 10 - Nov 11th: High school students will be going on a retreat



Members: Joyce Arnette; Ray Blackburn; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox; Diane Geary; Gail Hargett-Lilly; Janet Hughes; Janice Long; Martha Marlow; Tony Merlino; Larry & Becki Modlin; Sean Mooney; Alma Osborn; Judy Pratt; Ron Voli; Owen Williams and family

Military: Joe Fraley, Andy Harrison, Ryan Hermance; Greg Holmes; Joey Horne; Abbie Kizer, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, Charlotte Taylor

Family and Friends: Robin Allison; Kelly Bonnell's Husband; Pat Bower (Sandy Sly's friend); Diane Brown; Jeanne Brown (Glenda Brooks): Matt Campbell (Tammy & Chris

Campbell); Laurin Chaucer; Judy Grubbs Cordts (Sandy Sly's friend); Paulita Cousins (Kim McCluskey's friend); Olivia Drudge; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Chelsea Groves (friend of Sherrie Weaver); Patrick Henry and George Hartner (LaNier S); Britt Jackson (Tom & Sharon's daughter in law); .Martha Olarte and family; Joey Osborn (Colin Rice); Marie Palmer (Sandy Sly); Sue & Ted Penny (Vance's Parents); Janice Robbins and family; Aric Roberts; Noble Sellars & family; Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Betty Ann (friend of Diane Secary); Pam Ulrich (friend of Sherrie Weaver); Pastor Bescye's sister, Rev. Sheverlon Powell and her Aunt Mary Alice Powell

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 November 4th

Centering Prayer: Lift up your heads, O gates! Psalm 24

M Philippians 2.1-4, Luke 14.12-14

Tu Philippians 2.5-11, Luke 14.15-24

W Philippians 2.12-18, Luke 14.25-33

Th Philippians 3.3-8, Luke 15.1-10

F Philippians 3.17-4.1, Luke 16.1-8

Sa Philippians 4.8-9, Luke 16.9-13

Su Ruth 3.1-5, Hebrews 9.24-28, Mark 12.38-44

Key scripture Mark 12.43: "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury."



NOVEMBER

3rd: Henry Reiman

5th: Fisher Taylor

7th: Sandy Taylor; Garrett Burgess

8th: Dale Osborn; John Phillips

9th: Will Hornthal

11th: Cindy Arnold

12th: Seth Swain

14th: Tammy Campbell; Hillary Horne

15th: Fiona Duddy

18th: Gabriel Roberson

19th: Jenny Mizelle

20th: Paige Swain; Kevin Taylor

21st: Diane Secary

22nd: Stacy Papke; Charlotte Wrigglesworth

23rd: Rebecca Drudge

24th: Charles Burnett

26th: Harley Taylor; James Wygant

27th: Faye Graziano; Janet Hughes

28th: Melanie Duddy

29th: Judy Pratt

30th: Isla Butler



HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 11/03- All Saints Sunday

8:00 Beach Service

9:30 Communion Service

10:45 Adult Bible Study, Rm. 6

10:45 JR Basic/Adult Sunday School

10:45 MS Basic

3:00p Celebrate Recovery, Rm. 6

5:00p HS Youth Group/Reef

Monday, 11/04

9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6

1:00p Monday Bible Study, Rm. 6

6:30p Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 11/05

7:30 Open Prayer

8:30 Men's Breakfast Group @ Sears Landing

9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6

6:00p Praise Band Practice

7:00p Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 11/06

9:30 Communion Service

10:00 Reading Circle, Rm. 6

10:30 Staff Meeting

11:15 Rooted & Anchored Women's Group

5:00p Youth Council Meeting, Rm. 6

6:00p Family Night Supper

7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef

7:00p Cantata Practice/ 7:45p Choir Practice

Thursday, 11/07

9:30 Centering Prayer

12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6

6:00p MDT

6:00p Love Thyself Training

6:30p SPRC Meeting, Rm. 6

Friday, 11/08

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

Saturday, 11/09

5:30p Praise Service

Sunday, 11/10

8:00 Beach Service

9:30 Worship Service

10:45 Adult Bible Study, Rm. 6

3:00p Celebrate Recovery, Rm. 6

*HS Youth Retreat