



Dear Members of Faith Harbor,

I extend my heartfelt gratitude for your incredible support. Your donations to the Baby Bottle Blessing campaign totaled \$1,383.79. This gets us one step closer to our goal of acquiring a Mobile Ultrasound Unit. This meaningful contribution not only brings us closer to enhancing our services but also reinforces the shared commitment we have to support and empower our community.

Thank you for being an essential part of our journey and for believing in the vision of Lauren's Hope.

With sincere appreciation, Jessica Blackburn Executive Director, Lauren's Hope



## Greeters:

February 23<sup>rd</sup>: Deanna Beard & Jennifer Fox

February 23<sup>rd</sup>: Children's Council Meeting at 10:45 February 27<sup>th</sup>: Trustee's meeting @ 4:30pm- Rm. 6 March 5<sup>th</sup>: Church Conference @ 7pm – Sanctuary (Ryan Clark's certification)

2/23/25	Ephesians 5.3-14
3/02/25	Ephesians 5.15-20
3/09/25	Luke 23.34
3/16/25	Luke 23.43
3/23/25	John 19.26-27
3/30/25	Matthew 27.46
4/06/25	John 19.28
4/13/25	John 19.30
4/14/25	Luke 23.46
4/15/25	Luke 23.43
4/16/25	John 19.26-27
4/17/25	Matthew 27.46 & John 19.28
4/18/25	John 19.30 & Luke 23.46

The memorial service for Buddy Fussell has been postponed. No future date has been set.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: The Make Room Building Fund at Pine Valley Methodist Church (www.pvmc.life) 3788 Shipyard Blvd, Wilmington, NC 28403

#### **SPRC Announcement – Hiring of Preschool Staff Member**

The purpose of the SPRC Committee (Staff/Pastor -Parrish Relations Committee) as stated in the Guidelines of the Methodist church is to "focus on building strong relationships between the staff and the congregation and the DS (District Superintendent)". The activities of this group include but are not limited to "encouraging, strengthening, nurturing, supporting, and respecting the pastor, staff and their families while promoting unity in our church".

This posting is to share with the congregation that Lori Robbins has been hired as an assistant to Vickie Queen in the Faith Harbor pre-school 2-year-old class through the end of this semester. Please keep Lori in your prayers as she carries out this important ministry in the life of our church and the lives of these precious children.

\*Faith Harbor has posted with indeed job search for a youth minister. If you know of anyone with the following qualifications, please let Kim know at <a href="mailto:faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com">faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com</a>.

**Youth minister Qualifications:** Commitment to Jesus Christ and the Lord's Church. At least 2 years of experience working with youth in a ministry setting. Strong organizational, communication, and leadership skills. Ability to build and lead volunteer teams.



#### SAVE THE DATE...

March 12<sup>th</sup>: Taco Bar sponsored by Faith Harbor Preschool April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sponsored by the Quilting Mission

Calling all singers! Easter music practice has begun... please join us on Wednesdays at 7:00pm.



No experience necessary. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Allison at (804) 651.5488. Regular choir will follow at 7:45pm.



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!

April 12<sup>th</sup> & April 26<sup>th</sup>

July 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

October 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

May 10<sup>th</sup> & May 24<sup>th</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

November 8th

February 22<sup>nd</sup>

June 14<sup>th</sup> & June 28<sup>th</sup> September 13 & 27<sup>th</sup> December 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

March 15<sup>th</sup>

# 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." Please join us as we begin the New Year. This is an open invitation to all men who desire to become disciples of Christ. We hope to see you at our next gathering on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8 AM

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#### **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 at 8:30, ordering around 9:00am 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 at rramorton@gmail.com.

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.



# CALLING ALL WOMEN! You are all invited to participate in some spiritually exciting events that are forthcoming through our Harbor District United Women in Faith.

On March 8, 2025, we will be holding a Spiritual Growth retreat at Harbor United Methodist Church in Wilmington. The event will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be a part of the registration fee of \$15. We are privileged and blessed to have Kim Rice-Smith as the keynote speaker for this event. The theme of this retreat is "How is it with your Soul? Seeking Peace and Solace in a time such as this." This will be a healing service. There will be scripture, music, and a healing service including being anointed. Following, there will be relaxing and restorative breakout workshops: Journaling/Scripturing/Writing; Artistic and Creative Expression; and Chair Yoga. If you are interested, please contact me or Bonnie Hunter our Faith Harbor UWF president for information and registration forms. We will need to know as soon as possible how many are attending so that lunch preparations are adequately in place.

On May 31, there will be a Mission U event. This event will be held at Whiteville United Methodist Church in Whiteville NC. Time for this event will be from 9:30 to 3:00 p.m. Registration for this event will also include a \$15 fee that will cover lunch. This event will be led by our own Delaine Macdonald. During this event we will study and contemplate the relationship we have with our Loving God, Father, and Creator. Again, registration forms can be obtained from either myself or Bonnie Hunter.

I encourage any of our Faith Harbor ladies to plan to attend one or both of these events. I am a huge believer in carpooling - we learn a lot about each other in doing so. Some wonderful fellowship can take place during our travels.

Lastly but most importantly I would invite any lady in our congregation whether member or not to become a part of our church United Women in Faith. All you need is a heart for women, children, and youth as these are the persons whom we collectively work together to serve in our community, country, and across the world. Please feel free to contact me at 919-608-3448 or Bonnie Hunter for further information. We would love for you to join us!

Love and grace to all our Sisters in Christ,

Sherri Davila

Harbor District United Women in Faith President



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)

# 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



### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Thank you, Faith Harbor Families for sharing your children with us and letting us work together to build them up in their knowledge and love of the Lord and with each other. If you ever have questions or need prayers or support, please reach out to me,

Stacie Holmes, so we can come alongside each other. You can reach me by email: <a href="mailto:stacieaholmes@gmail.com">stacieaholmes@gmail.com</a> or phone/text at 910-270-9465.

#### SAVE THE DATE:

- Jr Basic, normally held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month will not be held on March 2nd, due to Spring Break.
- On March 16th, the children will have the opportunity to sing the Fruits of the Spirit song during the Children's Message time.



#### Middle School Youth Calendar

The following is a list of what is happening in February. Mark your calendars and let's kick off the new year with God at the center!

Things to look forward to and to watch for more information: May 18- End of year Swim Party at the Pirro's Pool!

#### **High School News...**



It's time to move on to planning the Summer Mission Trip!!

Who: rising 9<sup>th</sup> -graduated 12th graders and interested adults

When: July 20- 25th 2025

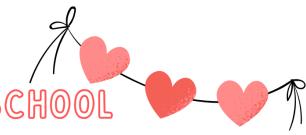
Where: Western NC- exact location TBA (Boone or Asheville)

With: Praying Pelicans Missions

Cost: \$250/student. We will fundraise the remaining amount

to offset the youth budget.

\$50 registration fee is required- due by Feb 23rd. Please register by letting DeAnne Chryst or Kim McCluskey know you can come and pay the registration fee online or by check. Make sure to put "Youth mission trip" in memo line.



# FAITH HARBOR PRESCHOOL

# **NEWSLETTER**

## What We Are Learning

# THEME: HEALTHY HEARTS AND SMILES

"We love because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19

Happy February! As we move into this month of love and kindness, we are excited to share with you all the wonderful things your child will be learning and experiencing in our preschool.

This Month's Theme: God's Love & Kindness,-Healthy hearts and smiles. In February, our focus is on the love that God has for each one of us. We will learn about the Bible story that highlights God's kindness and teaches us how to show love to others. We will also talk about ways to love our friends, family, and even those who might be different from us! We will focus on letters H,V, U and W.

#### Bible Story We'll Explore:

• The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37): Learning to love and help others, no matter who they are.

#### **Important Dates:**

• Valentine's Day Party: February 14th – A day to celebrate friendship and share God's love.

This month, take a moment at home to discuss how your family can practice kindness and love with each other. Whether it's sharing, saying kind words, or helping each other, teaching your child to be loving and generous is a wonderful way to grow closer as a family and to God. We are excited for a month full of fun, learning, and most of all, love. Thank you for your support and partnership in nurturing your child's faith and growth. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

# What's New

**FEBURARY 2025** 

Transitional Kindergarten class next year! Spread the word!

Soccer Shots will be here all year long. Join at any time!



#### Reminders

Registration for next school year is open and will be until we are full! If you plan to return fill out the registration form to secure your spot!

Tuition is due! :)

Tis' the season for sickness! Please remember if your child is feeling sick keep them home. We want to eliminate the spreading of germs as much as possible.

## Upcoming

Valentine's Day Party-Feb. 13th

Dentist visit by Dr. Olmstead at Topsail
Dental-TBD

Visit by Kaila Jones-Nutritionist-TBD

\*\*If you have a friend or family member that you would like to add or be removed from the prayer list, please let me know.



**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; Anita Phillips; Judy Pratt; Ron Voli; Sherrie Weaver; Owen Williams

**Military:** Joe Fraley, Andy Harrison, Ryan Hermance; Greg Holmes; Joey Horne; Abbie Kizer, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Tyler Ray, Gavin Robinson; Charlotte Taylor; Craig (family friend of Deanna Beard)

**Family and Friends:** Judy Alfred and family (Sandy Sly); JP Antunez (Liz & Jordan Albertson family friend); Robin Allison; Adrian Berroteran (friend of Melissa Schleinkofer); 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); Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Kay Foster (Jimmy & Beverly Dunn); Chelsea Groves (friend of Sherrie Weaver); the family of Hugh Hawthorne (Sandy Sly); Patrick Henry and George Hartner (LaNier S); Kevin Kesterson and family; Jerry Klofonda (Sherrie Weaver); Stacy Mecham (friend of Melissa Schleinkofer); Rondale Miller (Cousin of Sherrie Weaver); Martha Olarte and family; Joey Osborn (Colin Rice); Marie Palmer (Sandy Sly); Sue Penny; Janice Robbins and family; Aric Roberts; Jennifer Sawyer and family; Noble Sellars & family; Jennie Smith (Lee Jernigan); Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Betty Ann (friend of Diane Secary); Pam Ulrich (friend of Sherrie Weaver); Chris Widholm; Kurt Wygant

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 for Week of February 24th

Centering Prayer: Do not fret - it leads only to evil. Psalm 37

M Mark 9.14-29

Tu Mark 9.30-37

W Mark 9.38-40

Th Mark 9.41-50

F Mark 10.1-12

Sa Mark 10.13-16

Su Exodus 34.29-35, II Corinthians 3.12-4.2, Luke 9.28-36 Key scripture Exodus 34.39: "When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him."



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

5<sup>TH</sup>: Cary Mangus; Judy Miller 9<sup>th</sup>: Jim Graziano

10<sup>th</sup>: Sophie Albertson; Anita Phillips 13<sup>th</sup>: Kim Aikman; Jeff Strohecker

17th: Dawn Ellis; Mike Hopper

18th: Frank Divinie

19th: Parker Fox

20th: Grace Holmes

22<sup>nd</sup>: Tom Fisher

24th: Lisa Colman

26<sup>th</sup>: John Kennedy

27th: Avery Harrison



#### HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

#### **Sunday, 2/23**

8:00 Communion Service 9:30 Worship Service 10:45 Adult Bible Study 10:45 Children's Council Meeting 3:00p Celebrate Recovery Group, Rm. 6 5:00p HS Youth Group/Reef

#### Monday, 2/24

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

#### Tuesday, 2/25

7:30 Open Prayer 8:30 Men's Breakfast Group @ Sear's 9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6 6:00p Praise Band Practice 7:00p Women's AA/Reef

#### Wednesday, 2/26

9:30 Communion 11:15 Women Rooted & Anchored Group 7:00p Easter Music / 7:45p Choir 7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef

#### Thursday, 2/27

12:00p AA Group, Rm. 6 4:30p Trustee's Meeting, Rm. 6 6:00p Love Thyself / MDT

#### **Friday**, 2/28

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

#### **Sunday**, 3/02

8:00 Communion9:30 Communion10:45 Adult Bible Study3:00p Celebrate Recovery Group