



## Do you have tough questions about God, Jesus, Church or the Bible?

You may have questions that you've always wondered about but never felt you could ask at church- legitimate questions that would make many Christians uncomfortable. Well, we believe God is big enough to

handle your toughest questions, darkest moments, and deepest doubts. We want to honor him and you by creating an environment where you can be open, honest, and transparent.

*Starting Point* is a new 8-week small group study beginning this April. The group is specifically created for people who are Seeking, Starting, or Returning to faith.

- SEEKERS: those who are curious about God, Jesus, the Bible, or Christianity
- STARTERS: those who have just begun a relationship with Jesus Christ
- RETURNERS: those who have some church experience but have been away for a while

*Starting Point* will meet on Tuesday nights from 7 -8:30pm. The first group meeting is set for April 1<sup>st</sup> and will be held at David and Jennifer Sawyer's house. If you would like to join, please sign up on the form at the back of the church. David will contact you next week with more information about the group.

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



# News & Announcements

A memorial service for Buddy Fussell will be held at 2pm, Saturday, March 22, at Pine Valley Methodist Church. The family will receive visitors one hour prior, beginning at 1pm.

The United Women in Faith would love you to join us for our “Take and Bake” Plus Dessert sale before and after the 9:30 service on 23 March. Your support is greatly appreciated. Any questions, please call/text Bonnie Hunter at 540. 621 3645.

## **Greeters:**

March 23<sup>rd</sup>: Sabrina & Zander Guy

## **COLLEGE BOWL FOOD RAISER**

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**March 9 – 30<sup>th</sup> COLLEGE BOWL FOOD RAISER Sponsored by the Faith Harbor Pilots Men’s Group**

- Choose what college you want to support
- College bins will be set up and labeled as collection points
- Put your food in the college bin of your choice
- Nonperishable food within expiration date only and listed below.
- Items accepted: peanut butter, soups, canned vegetables, canned meat, canned fruit, dry pasta, mac & cheese, cereal, diapers & baby wipes
- Each food container is one point (box of 100 crackers is 1 point)
- College standings will be announced weekly in Messenger
- All food donated to SHARE THE TABLE
- Winning Prize - We’re working on it!! – Bragging rights for sure!! Winners – All clients of SHARE THE TABLE



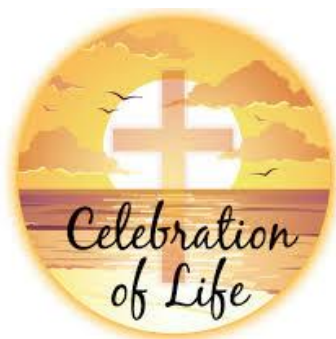
## SAVE THE DATE

April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Casseroles, Salads & Desserts sponsored by the Quilting Mission



The Reading Circle is back and looking for those who love to read, those who love to chat or those just looking for fellowship. All are welcome!

Reading Circle will meet on the first Thursday of each month at 10:00a.m. At our meeting April 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will discuss the book "All that is Secret" by Patricia Raybone. If you have read or are planning to read- "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michelle Richardson, please let Sherry Mewborn know. Email: [smewborn@hotmail.com](mailto:smewborn@hotmail.com).



*Faith Harbor friends and family...please join us Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> as we honor and remember our brother Frank Tarbell.*

*Reception – 10:45 followed by celebration of life – 11:30*

**FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:** By The Numbers - A brief look at our weekly giving

Weekly Revenues for Period Ending Mar 8, 2025				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$3,689.50	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$2,720.50	\$6,860.00

# 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.**” Please join us as we begin as we begin and look forward to having another great year of service. 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, April 5, 2025 at 8 AM**

Please join us in April 2025 for our next quarterly meeting, which will include a hearty breakfast followed by our guest speaker, Mike Darnell from the Navigators. Following the meeting on Saturday, April 5, 2025, we will deliver the goods to Share-the-Table.

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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 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](mailto:rramorton@gmail.com).

## College Bowl Food Raiser

Week 1 was rather lackluster with only 97 total items counted. Ohio State was leading with 43 items followed by NC State with 38 items with Clemson and UNC trailing badly. Only four out of the 13 schools participating had donations. However, Week 2 was a complete turnaround. All schools showed signs of life with a record breaking 623 items donated. Due to the massive amount of goods collected in week 2 a decision was made to take it directly to Share the Table instead of waiting until the end of the month. The total weight of the delivery was 746 pounds. The combined total for week 1 and week 2 is 720 units. With only two more weeks to go, now is not the time to let up.

The generosity that has been shown by the congregation is overwhelming, and I thank everyone from the bottom of my heart. UNC (boo) leads the field with 201 items followed by Ohio State and Roanoke College respectively, see the attached chart.

I would like to thank all the men who helped count, box, and deliver the goods to Share the Table.



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!

May 10<sup>th</sup> & May 24<sup>th</sup>

August 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

November 8<sup>th</sup>

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

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

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



**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 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

**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](mailto:stacieaholmes@gmail.com).**



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](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)

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**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

**Children are a gift from the Lord and here at Faith Harbor, we want to come alongside you as parents and work with you to help build them up in the faith. If you have a child, newborn through 5th grade, please help us better communicate with you by clicking on the following link.**

[Children's Ministry Form](#)

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

### Important Dates to Remember:

**Palm Sunday, April 13th: Children will meet in the Children's Wing and get palms to process in during the beginning of the worship service.**

- **Easter Egg Hunt after church**

**VBS: July 28-31st from 9am-noon**



### Middle School Youth Calendar

March 21-23: Spiritual Retreat at Camp Don Lee for Middle School and High School.

Middle Schooler's recently hid a geocache on church property with the permission of the Trustees. It's called The Bridge of Faith and you can check it out at [The Bridge of Faith](#)

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

### High School News...

April 13<sup>th</sup>: Youth Bake Sale Fundraiser following 9:30 service. All proceeds go toward their summer mission trip

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.

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.



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

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

**Family and Friends:** Adrian Berroteran (friend of Melissa Schleinkofer); Matt Campbell (Tammy & Chris Campbell); *Butch Gordon (Sandy Sly)*, Judy Grubbs Cordts (Sandy Sly's friend); Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); *Kay Foster (Jimmy & Beverly Dunn)*; Chelsea Groves (friend of Sherrie Weaver); Jerry Klofonda (Sherrie Weaver); Stacy Mecham (friend of Melissa Schleinkofer); Rondale Miller (Cousin of Sherrie Weaver); Marie Palmer (Sandy Sly); Sue Penny; Jennie Smith (Lee Jernigan); Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Pam Ulrich (friend of Sherrie Weaver)

*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 March 24<sup>th</sup>

Centering Prayer: O God, you are my God, I seek you. Psalm 63

M II Kings 5.1-15, Luke 4.24-30

Tu Luke 4.31-37

W Deuteronomy 4.1-9, Matthew 5.17-19

Th Jeremiah 7.23-28, Luke 11.14-23

F Hosea 14.2-10, Mark 12.28-34

Sa Hosea 6.1-6, Luke 18.9-14

Su Joshua 5.9-12, II Corinthians 5.16-21, Luke 15.1-32

Key scripture Hosea 14.4: "I will heal their disloyalty; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them."





## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1<sup>ST</sup>: Alma Osborn  
4<sup>th</sup>: Sean Wrigglesworth  
7<sup>th</sup>: Emily Law  
8<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer Fox  
9<sup>th</sup>: Carrie Olmstead; Kent Smith  
10<sup>th</sup>: Sally Linville  
11<sup>th</sup>: Jewels Swain  
15<sup>th</sup>: Jeanne Mangus  
17<sup>th</sup>: Stephen Olmstead; Jency Paliotti  
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  
23<sup>rd</sup>: Anna Law  
26<sup>th</sup>: Justin May  
28<sup>th</sup>: Nancy Merlino; Stephen Olmstead  
29<sup>th</sup>: Maris Jordan; Sherry Mewborn; Thomas Papke  
30<sup>th</sup>: Lila May; Evangeline Schleinkofer  
31<sup>st</sup>: Audrey Audet

## APRIL

3<sup>RD</sup>: Leo Audet; Meg Barnes; Hiatt Ellis; Joanna Wrigglesworth  
4<sup>th</sup>: Sue Duryea  
6<sup>th</sup>: Sean Mooney;  
7<sup>th</sup>: Ruby Sawyer; Keith Norris; Doris Davis  
9<sup>th</sup>: Amy Phillips; Rachel Shade  
10<sup>th</sup>: Connie Carroll  
12<sup>th</sup>: Nancy Smith  
13<sup>th</sup>: Allison Campbell; David Strohpaal; Addie MacDougall  
17<sup>th</sup>: Ann Hummel  
20<sup>th</sup>: Morgan Bizzell; Janice Long  
21<sup>st</sup>: Janice Morton  
23<sup>rd</sup>: Patty Feige  
29<sup>th</sup>: Bescye Burnett

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

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### **Sunday, 3/23**

8:00/9:30 Communion  
\*UWIF Take & Bake +Dessert Sale  
10:45 Adult Bible Study  
3:00p Celebrate Recovery Group  
\*Women's Emmaus Walk

### **Monday, 3/24**

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

### **Tuesday, 3/25**

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, 3/26**

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

### **Thursday, 3/27**

12:00 AA Meeting, Rm. 6  
5:30p Girl Scout Troop #4242  
6:00p Love Thyself / MDT

### **Friday, 3/28**

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

### **Sunday, 3/30**

8:00/ 9:30 Communion  
10:45 Adult Bible Study  
10:45 JR/MS Basic  
5:00p HS Youth Group/Reef