



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



Psalm 77.11-15:

*"I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD;
I will remember your wonders of old.
I will meditate on all your work,
and muse on your mighty deeds.
Your way, O God, is holy.
What god is so great as our God?
You are the God who works wonders;
you have displayed your might among the peoples.
With your strong arm you redeemed your people,
the descendants of Jacob and Joseph."*

This is the Psalm we considered this last Sunday. This song is one that reminds us to call to mind the Lord's deeds – to consider what God has been up to – and what God is up to. This consideration is our meditation, for the Lord's work is one that draws us to lift up our eyes – to lift up our gaze. The Lord we pay attention to is a holy God, a consuming fire, one who consumes the dross or our own sin.

As "a people called Methodists", we are called to a life of holiness. And this call to holiness is because we serve a holy God. We reflect this holiness to the world, but it is a reflection of the one true God – much like the moon reflects the light of the sun.

John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Revival, called the people who were converted through this Holy Spirit movement "a people called Methodists". This people were methodical in their commitment to the Christian faith. They devoted themselves to prayer, searching the scriptures, the Lord's Supper, fasting, and Christian conferencing.

I would encourage you, be about the methodical practices of faith that allow you to practice holiness. Be a people that are known to be people of prayer, that search the scriptures, that are devoted to the Lord's Supper, fasting, and are known to be a people accountable to each other in Christian conferencing. This is what it means to practice holiness – it means a devotion to the rhythms of Christianity that are ancient and being made new by the power of the Holy Spirit.

If you would like to learn more about these ancient practices feel free to reach out to me. Philip Chryst at 910.524.5676

Scriptures:

07/06/25	Genesis 50.22-26
07/13/25	I Samuel 13.13-15
07/20/25	Isaiah 9.6-7
07/27/25	Philippians 2.1-11
08/10/25	Matthew 27.45-56
08/17/25	I Corinthians 15.1-11
08/24/25	Acts 1.6-11
08/31/25	Acts 2.1-13
09/07/25	Acts 2.37-47
09/14/25	Luke 10.1-12
09/21/25	Jonah 1.1-3; 3.1-10
09/28/25	John 12.27-36
10/05/25	Acts 9.1-19
10/12/25	Matthew 25.31-46
10/19/25	Revelation 20.11-15
10/26/25	II Corinthians 5.11-21
11/02/25	Isaiah 55.1-13
11/09/25	II Corinthians 6.14-7.1
11/16/25	Revelation 21.1-8
11/23/25	Revelation 21.9-27

News & Announcements

Greeters:

July 6th: Judy Miller & Sue Duryea

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, July 8th: Trustee's Meeting- 4:30pm

Thursday, August 21st: Leadership Council Meeting- 6:30pm

FROM THE FINANCE TEAM: *By the Numbers - A summary of weekly revenues*

Weekly Revenues for Period Ending June 28, 2025				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$2,113.35	\$350.00	\$5.00	\$250.00	\$2,718.35

SPRC Announcement – Hiring of Children’s Ministry Leader

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”. Another responsibility of this group is to solicit and interview prospective people to hire for needed vacant staff positions.

This posting is to share with the congregation that Peg Strohecker has been hired as the Faith Harbor Children’s Ministry Leader. Peg has 37 years of experience in elementary education as a teacher in Lewisberry, PA. She has also been active in the children’s ministry at her UMC church in PA for over 20 years. She and her husband Jeff joined Faith Harbor in February of this year. Please keep Peg in your prayers as she carries out this important ministry in the life of our church and the lives of these precious children.



Fellowship Friends will eat at Low Tide in Surf City this month. Lunch on Thursday, July 10th at 11:30am or dinner on Friday, July 11th at 5:30pm.

Fellowship Friends is an informal group of adults from the Faith Harbor community who like to get together just to socialize over a meal. If you’d like to join us, please email PaulaHopper5@gmail.com.



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!

September 13 & 27th

December 13th & 27th

July 12th & 26th

October 11th & 25th

August 9th & 23rd

November 8th

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 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.

The Summer Fun Fest Series Continues on Thursday July 17, 2025 @ 6PM

The Summer Fun Fest Series continues Thursday, July 17, 2025 beginning @ 6PM. Mike Hopper and Dave Davila have teamed up to provide another Low-Country Shrimp Boil. The address is 408 & 410 Sawgrass Cove located in the North Shore Country Club in Sneads Ferry. I hope to see you there!

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 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: rramorton@gmail.com.



Hello Faith Harbor Families,

I wanted to share the link so you can register your child for our VBS from July 28th-31st. Here is the link: [VBS Registration Link](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8AC2FA6FCCE9-57392400-true)

When your kids come to TRUE NORTH, they will explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world and learn that Jesus is a faithful friend we can trust, our True North forever! Each day at True North VBS, kids will trek the tundra in field-tested rotations that reinforce relevant Bible truths and life-changing faith formations. **We will also need your help! We need people to bring in supplies, people to help set up and tear down, people to lead the different age groups, the stations, the snacks, the games, and music! If you can help in any way, please sign up here:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8AC2FA6FCCE9-57392400-true>

VBS Snacks Needed! Contact: Emily Law

Please click on the link below to sign-up for snack donations. If you have any questions, please email Emily at emilylaw25@gmail.com

<https://bit.ly/vbssnacks25>



If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of a special friend, loved one or special event, we have a sign-up sheet located on the credenza between the office and Room 6.

Altar Flowers



The Reading Circle will be taking a break this summer – they'll be back again September 4th. All are welcome to join! We will be discussing the book *Our Missing Hearts: A Novel* by Celeste ng.

Any questions, please feel free to contact Sherry Mewborn. Email: smewborn@hotmail.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

"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

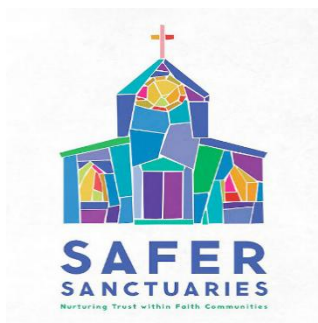
Tuesday – Friday: 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Closed: Saturday, Sunday and Monday

The Thrift Store is always looking for household items and furniture in good condition. We do not accept adult clothing, electronics, broken or damaged items. **We can no longer accept donations without an appointment.** Please contact a volunteer 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



About the Workshop:

Since 1996, when the General Conference of The United Methodist Church adopted a resolution aimed at eliminating potential for abuse in the church, abuse prevention has been an important part of church policymaking and implementation. United Methodists are called to justice and advocacy for those whose voices are often overlooked or not heard, including children, youth, and vulnerable adults. Churches are responsible for ensuring a safe environment for all persons. The risk of harm to children, youth, and vulnerable

adults can be reduced through the implementation of abuse prevention policies. A primary focus for the NCC Safer Sanctuaries Team is to provide resources that will help churches as they develop policies, train staff and volunteers, and implement those policies. Individual church policies should be written with consideration of the church's specific context, so there is not a one-size-fits-all policy.

Recommendations for abuse prevention policy content is offered by the NCC Safer Sanctuaries Team and may be found on the [webpage](#). This workshop is for church leaders who will train others in abuse prevention. Attendees are encouraged to bring a copy of their church abuse prevention policy.

Safer Sanctuaries: Training Leaders in Abuse Prevention is led by Rev. Charlotte Brendel, current chair of the NCC Safer Sanctuaries Team.

When: Thursday, July 24, 2025, 10am – 12pm

Where: Saint Luke UMC (Sanford)

Cost: Free

[Register Now](#)



UPCOMING OPPORTUNITY! Bus Trip to Creation Museum & Ark Encounter in Kentucky September 29- October 2, 2025

30 Passengers/ Price per person:

Single \$1275 Double \$1075 Triple \$1009 Quad \$979

\$350 deposit due with each reservation – Final payment due 30 days prior to departure. Flyers with daily itinerary available in the Narthex. Please contact Pat Vinson with any questions (910) 385.4936 or patvinson@yahoo.com

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS



Hi! My name is Peg Strohecker. My husband, Jeff, and I, moved from PA to Holly Ridge in April 2024. We became members at FHUMC in February 2025. We have 2 children, Kate (married to Erin) and Patrick (married to Ilana), and two dogs-Maisy and Tucker. I was an elementary school teacher for 37 years before retiring in June 2023. In addition to teaching school, I was also very involved with the children's ministry at our former UMC for over 20 years. In my free time I enjoy walking, going to the gym, reading, and of course visits to the beach and pool! I have always had a love for children and church and look forward to being able to serve both at Faith Harbor. I am very honored to be offered this position and look forward to meeting and getting to know all the wonderful children and their families!

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](#).

FYI...If you would like to connect with others in the children's ministry over the summer, I invite you to use the Faith Harbor UMC Families What's App. Here is the link to connect:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DJpDIUqPW65KHWCAbXecrV>



Volunteers Needed!!!

Grade 1-2 Sunday school class is looking for a teacher for the **SECOND** Sunday of each month. All lessons/materials will be provided!

Substitutes/Alternates- will only need to fill in on an as needed basis!

If you are interested, please contact Peg Strohecker at 717-802-6716 or stroheckerpeg@gmail.com



Middle & High School BASIC YOUTH News *"Brothers And Sisters In Christ"*

July 6 NO Meetings (4th of July weekend)
July 13 5pm HS Youth Group
July 20 No Meetings
July 20-25 Mission Trip!
July 27 Present at church and prepare for VBS
July 28-31 VBS helpers

Deborah Lanham - Youth Minister

910.388.6862

Office Hours (flexibly): Tues & Wed 9:30 - 3:30 and by appointment

Scripture- Week of July 7th

Centering Prayer: You have turned my mourning into dancing. Psalm 30
M II Kings 5.15-19, Acts 19.21-27
Tu II Kings 5.19-27, Acts 19.28-41
W II Kings 6.1-7, Luke 10.13-16
Th Amos 1.1-2.3, James 2.14-26
F Amos 2.4-11, Acts 7.9-16
Sa Amos 2.12-3.8, John 3.16-21
Su Amos 7.7-17, Colossians 1.1-14, Luke 10.25-37
Key scripture Amos 7.8: "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by."



Members: Joyce Arnette; Ray Blackburn; Charles Burnett; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox; Ashley Harrison; Janet Hughes; Janice Long; Eunice Lytton; Martha Marlow; Tony Merlino; Larry & Becki Modlin; Sean Mooney; Judy Pratt; Alan Sasser; David & Jill Strohpaal; 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: JP Antunez (Albertsons); Dana Bailey (Sandy Wise); Adrian Berroteran (Melissa Schleinkofer); *Rosie Bland (George & Jill Bland)*; Butch Gordon, Judy Grubbs Cordts (Sandy Sly); *Trevor Dostie (Joal & Sheila Smith)*; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Kay Foster (Jimmy & Beverly Dunn); Jerry Klofonda (Sherrie Weaver); Stacy Mecham (Melissa Schleinkofer); Rondale Miller (Cousin of Sherrie Weaver); Marie Palmer (Sandy Sly); Sue Penny; Jennie Smith (Lee Jernigan); *Sky Taylor* (Sheila Smith); Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Pam Ulrich (Sherrie Weaver); Mary Westerhold and her husband; Chris Widholm

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



JULY BIRTHDAYS

1st: Casey Tayloe; Danny Baisden

2nd: Airlie Passingham

3rd: Deanna Taylor; Sean Dalnodar

8th: Daniel Hubik; Dave McCluskey

9th: Carroll Greene

13th: Martha Marlow; Larry Modlin

14th: Jamie Canady

15th: Layne Lockamy

17th: Lynn Smith

18th: Colin Rice

19th: Jackson Henry

20th: Owen Williams

24th: Kathy Cantrell; Marsha-Lee Ray

25th: Kathy Winfield; Todd Bizzell

27th: Lyle Butler

28th: Kitty Behan

31st: Emily Frazier



HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 7/06

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Communion Service
10:45 Adult Bible Study

Monday, 7/07

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

Tuesday, 7/08

7:30 Open Prayer
8:30 Pilot's Group Breakfast
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
4:30p Trustee's Meeting, Rm. 6
6:00p Praise Band Practice
7:00p Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 7/09

9:30 Communion
10:30 Staff Meeting
11:15 Women Rooted & Anchored Group
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef
7:00p Choir Practice

Thursday, 7/10

11:30 Fellowship Friend's Lunch- LowTide
12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6

Friday, 7/11

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group
5:00p Praise Band Practice
5:30p Fellowship Friend's Dinner- LowTide?

Saturday, 7/12

5:30p Praise Service

Sunday, 7/13

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Bible Study
5:00p HS Basic /Reef