



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



Scriptures:

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

We have a number of opportunities for you to grow in your faith and your commitment to Christ. At Faith Harbor we believe the Lord has called us to be *Anchored In Christ*. This takes consistency, intentionality, and it takes each other. If you would like information about any of these groups, feel free to reach out to the contact person in each group.

1 – Quilters – Missional Community: They gather on Mondays & Tuesdays at 9am in room #6. They pray together and work with each other. This group gives away quilts to groups like Woodbury Wellness, Lauren's Hope, Roots of Recovery, and Methodist Home for Children. Paula Hopper 703.403.3017

2 – Adult Sunday School discussing the book: *They Walked With God* by Max Lucado. This will be in room #6 starting Sunday, September 7th at 10.45am. Sherry Mewborn 910.526.2673

3 – An Invitation to Love Thyself – An Exploration of “Who I Am?”: Starting Thursday, September 4th from 6pm-7.45pm we will be offering this six month training. Our goal is to invite individuals to learn how to love themselves with the love that God has for them. Bescye Burnett 678.882.6721

4 – Missional Discipleship Training: Starting Thursday, September 4th from 6pm-7.45pm we will be offering this six month training. Our goal is to train men and women in missional discipleship. At the end of this six months you will then have an opportunity to be prayerfully commissioned in the endeavor the Lord is calling you to. Philip Chryst 910.524.5676

5 – Worship as Life: Starting Thursday, September 4th from 6pm-7.45pm we will be offering this six month training. Our goal is to disciple men and women in a lifestyle of worship, highlighting the role of the arts. Shirley Logan Mercer 910.233.1515

6 – Women Rooted in Christ, Anchored in Love, Building Each Other Up: On Tuesdays at 11.15am there will be 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. Kathy Winfield 240.375.1305

7 – JEWELS – Just Everyday Women Enjoying Life. We are an informal breakfast group who gather on Fridays at 8:30 am for prayer, fellowship, and for sharing life experiences. We meet from May through October at Soundside Park, weather permitting. Otherwise, we meet year-round in Room 6. We bring our own breakfast. We also plan occasional day trips such as to Airlie Gardens, New Bern, Southport, etc. Please join us. Call Bonnie Hunter, 540.621.3645.

8 – United Women in Faith (UWIF), along with Rainbow Circle and Reading Circle. The UWIF meet every quarter. Our mission is to be the body of Christ in service to women, families and children. We attend mission studies and spiritual retreats offered by the Harbor District. We focus on several fund raising efforts throughout the year in order to support organizations such as Methodist Home for Children, Share the Table, Roots of Recovery, Mercy Abounds, etc. We also support Faith Harbor children and youth programs such as VBS, Mother/Child Retreat, and the Annual Youth Retreat. The Rainbow Circle gathers monthly to focus on support to Faith Harbor's children and youth, visits to nursing homes, and creating craft projects to be offered at the annual Christmas bazaar. The Reading Circle chooses from a recommended list to expand spiritual enrichment and focus on issues facing humanity in today's world. The President of the Harbor District's UWIF is Faith Harbor's own Sherri Davila. Come join us. Bonnie Hunter 540.621.3645 or Sherri Davila 919.608.3448.

9 – Faith Harbor Pilots Men's Group – Breakfast Every Tuesday at 8.30am at Sears Landing. This includes a devotion, prayer, and fellowship. Also, once a month we gather for Saturday breakfast. David Davilla 919.906.1591 and Roger Morton 585.451.5268

10 – “Nourishing Joy” meets the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at 413 N. New River Dr. and focus on joy and encouragement. We want to create a place of joy, hope, and connection for women of our church and community. Our goal is to support each other as we go through life's challenges applying Christian principles. All women welcome, bring a friend! Annie Voli, avolibeach@gmail.com, 804-338-4784 or Natalie Lindsey, namick12@gmail.com, 864-423-6763

If you would like to talk about any ideas based on what you have read – feel free to reach out to Pastor Bescye Burnett at 678.882.6721. Part of her work that she is focusing on is spiritual formation. We are always looking for how the Holy Spirit is prompting folks in the congregation to start up new endeavors.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Greeters:

September 14th: Jeanette Mason & Pat Vinson

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday, September 15th: Trustee's Meeting- 4:30pm

Sunday, October 19th: Charge Conference- 2:00pm
@The Edge Church (1000 NC-210, Sneads Ferry, NC 28460)

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

Weekly Revenues for Period Ending September 6, 2025				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$3,402.00	\$50.00	\$1,263.33	\$1,025.00	\$5,740.33

Fun Facts: While doing research in preparation for the 2026 budget, I came across some interesting numbers when comparing our past giving to the current year. In 2024 our overall YTD giving (as of 9/10/2024) was **\$361,189.76** and out of that total, 81.6% was for Tithes & Offerings totaling **\$294,727.52**. Comparing that to the 2025 YTD overall giving we have **\$451,889.72** of which 60% went to Tithes & Offerings totaling **\$270,705.41**. Even though our overall giving increased in 2025, our Tithes & Offerings decreased by 20% over the same period last year. We are a very generous congregation, which I am proud to be a member, but we also need to be diligent with our tithing. In order to meet our expenses by the end of the year we will need to increase our tithing percentage over the next few months. I bring this to your attention because this will have a direct impact on the 2026 budget.

David J Davila, Finance Chair



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Facility Manager–

Our Facility Manager works directly with the Trustee's committee to make sure that Faith Harbor is well maintained. The facility manager may make minor repairs up to their capabilities. The facility manager will arrange for contractors to complete more complex repairs. A general knowledge of building maintenance will be helpful. If interested, please contact Bill Widholm at (910) 431-5056

Greetings Faith Harbor community,

The United Women in Faith will be having our next Take and Bake and Dessert sale to be held **Sunday September 14th before and after the 9:30 service.**

We hold these fundraisers a few times each year to raise money to support missions such as Share the Table, Methodist Home for Children and Roots of Recovery among others. Please help us succeed in one or both ways:

1. Offer to make an entree (frozen or fresh) and/or baked goods and desserts. NOTE: if you are providing a fresh entree, please prepare no earlier than the Friday prior and note on the dish when it was prepared. We want to ensure that the food we are selling is fresh. Thanks!
2. Purchase entrees and desserts (cash or credit accepted)

If you can help by making food, please contact Jenny Mizelle by email at jennymizelle@gmail.com or text/phone 919-818-3857 and let her know. There is also a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. We will be at church from 9-10:30 on Saturday, September 13th if you would like to bring your dish to church at that time. If there is a particular dish you would like to have available, please let us know and we'll do our best to accommodate your request. We thank you!!



We will be offering new membership classes on September 14th & 21st. This will be at 10:45 a.m. In the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Philip- 910.524.5676 or phillipchryst@gmail.com



Do you have a heart for worship? We would love you to join us in the Sanctuary on Saturdays at 5:30pm for a contemporary Worship service.

Bring your friends ~all are welcome!!

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.

Faith Harbor Pilots Schedule of Upcoming Events

1. **Sunday October 19, 2025, Share the Table 1pm-6pm**
2. **Wednesday November 5, 2025 – Family Night Supper at 6pm**
3. **Saturday December 6, 2025 – Craft Fair/Church Bazaar 9am-2pm**

Mark your calendars now and stay tuned for further information on how you can be a part of these upcoming events.

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.

Harbor Thrift Store Hours

Tuesday – Friday: 10:00AM - 4:00PM
Closed: Saturday, Sunday and Monday

THRIFT STORE



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 to schedule donation drop offs.

Sandy Taylor (540) 420-6713
Sabrina Guy (910) 526-4183

Gloria Richardson (704) 804-4909
Sylvia Bowman (910) 284-3131

Beth Walker (252) 213-2240

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.**

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)

Our Children's Ministry



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](#).

Jr BASIC! Will be held on the first and third Sunday of the month. It is a time when elementary-aged children can stay after church for fellowship, lunch, and a lesson/craft. It is a great time for the kids of Faith Harbor to get to know each other better, and for the parents to grab a quick lunch date!!!

We can't do this without your help!! Please consider volunteering for just one or two weeks. Use the link below to sign up!!! Any questions, please reach out to Peg (717) 802-6716 or stroheckerpeg@gmail.com Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8AC2FA6FCCE9-58062320-jrbasic>



Youth Groups for Grades 6-12

Wayfinders is our middle school group, grades 6-8.

Navigators is our high school group, grades 9-12.

*Wayfinders and Navigators will meet in the Reef weekly!!

Wayfinders: 5:00 – 6:00p in the Reef

Youth Supper: 6:00- 6:30p (optional) in the Narthex

Navigators: 6:30 – 8:00p in the Reef

*Registration paperwork is available by hard copy or by fillable pdf. We use the BAND app for regular communications. Contact Ms. Deb for more info.

Deborah Lanham - Youth Minister

910.388.6862

Office Hours (flexible): Tues & Wed 9:30 - 3:30 or by appointment

FAITH HARBOR PRESCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



SEPTMEBER
2025

What We Are Learning

THEME: ALL ABOUT ME AND MY SCHOOL FAMILY

All About Me - "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made!" Psalms 139:14

We're so excited to begin this year with your children! September is all about getting to know each other and creating a warm, welcoming classroom community.

This month, we'll focus on:

- Learning classroom rules and routines
- Exploring our bodies feelings and how to express them kindly
- Getting to know our classmates and teachers
- Understanding how each child is special—in their family, our class, and in God's eyes

Our goal is to help your child feel safe, loved, and excited about coming to preschool each day. We look forward to a joyful and fun start to the school year!

Thank you for being part of the Faith Harbor Preschool Family!!



What's New

SOCCER SHOTS AND TOPSAIL DANCE ARTS
Soccer Shots acts as an extracurricular activity. 30-minute class on school grounds. This program will take place directly after school. Wednesdays from 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm. Starting September, 25th. Sign up now.

Topsail Dance Arts acts as an extracurricular activity. 45-minute class on school grounds. This will take place directly after school. Tuesdays from 12:30 pm-1:15 for ages 3-5 starting Sept. 9th.

Reminders



- Send in a Change of Clothes.
- Label Everything.
- Class Dojo Communication release form due.

Upcoming

Bike day-Thursday, September 25th at 11:45

Fall Conferences-October 17th sign up genius will be sent out.

Community Helper visits in the month of October TBD.





SEPTEMBER

3RD: Ray Blackburn

5th: Giles Jeffreys

6th: Sandy Wise

8th: Lance Jordan

9th: Rita Streiff

10th: Mark Valente

11th: Mattie Albertson

14th: Hazel Passingham

18th: Mary Lynn Wood

20th: Arness Krause

22nd: Frank Carroll

25th: Quinn Woolard

26th: Will Moore

27th: Ava Barnes

28th: Jean Hawley; Michael Kaufmann

29th: Jordan Albertson



Scripture- Week of September 15th

Centering Prayer: "O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!"

Psalm 14

M Jeremiah 5.1-7, I Timothy 1.18-20

Tu Jeremiah 5.18-31, II Peter 3.8-13

W Jeremiah 14.1-22, Luke 22.31-62

Th Jeremiah 12.14-13.11, Romans 3.1-8

F Jeremiah 8.1-13, Romans 8.31-39

Sa Jeremiah 8.14-9.11, Mark 12.41-44

Su Jeremiah 8.18-9.1, I Timothy 2.1-7, Luke 16.1-13

Key scripture I Timothy 1.18: "I am giving you these instructions, Timothy, my child, in accordance with the prophecies made earlier about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight."



Members: Ray Blackburn; Bescye & Charles Burnett; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Parker Fox; Janet Hughes; Kim McCluskey; Cathy Medlin; Tony Merlino; Doug Mewborn; Larry & Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt; Alan Sasser; David & Jill Strohpaull; Ron Voli; 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); Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Kay Foster (Jimmy & Beverly Dunn); Sherry Hannen (Annie Voli); Jerry Klofonda (Sherrie Weaver); Stacy Mecham (Melissa Schleinkofer); Rondale Miller (Cousin of Sherrie Weaver); Marie Palmer (Sandy Sly); Sue Penny; Anthony Powell (Bescye's Brother); Jennie Smith (Lee Jernigan); Sky Taylor (Sheila Smith); Brenda (Harriet Rice's friend); Pam Ulrich (Sherrie Weaver); 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

***To keep our prayer list updated, please let me know if anyone listed above can be removed from the list. Thank you so much for your help!**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 9/14

8:00 Beach Service
UWIF Take & Bake/Dessert Sale
9:30 Worship Service
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10:45 New Member Class
10:45 Adult Sunday School
5:00p Wayfinders Group/Reef
6:00p Youth Fellowship Meal
6:30p Navigator's Group/Reef

Monday, 9/15

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
4:30p Trustee's Meeting
6:30p Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 9/16

7:30 Open Prayer
8:30 Pilot's Group Breakfast
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
11:15 Rooted & Anchored Women's Group
6:00p Praise Band Practice
7:00p Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 9/17

9:30 Communion
10:30 Staff Meeting, Rm. 6
7:00p Cantata
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef
7:45p Choir

Thursday, 9/18

12:00p AA Group, Rm. 6
6:00p MDT/Worship as Life class
6:00p Love Thyself class

Friday, 9/19

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group
5:00p Praise Band Practice

Saturday, 9/20

9:30 UWIF District Leadership Meeting, Rm. 6
5:30p Praise Service

Sunday, 9/21- Youth Sunday

8:00 Beach Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 New Member Class
10:45 JR Basic
10:45 Adult Sunday School
5:00p Wayfinders Group/Reef
6:00p Youth Fellowship Meal
6:30p Navigator's Group/Reef