



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



Ezekiel 1.15-20: "As I looked at the living creatures, I saw a wheel on the earth beside the living creatures, one for each of the four of them. As for the appearance of the wheels and their construction: their appearance was like the gleaming of beryl; and the four had the same form, their construction being something like a wheel within a wheel. When they moved, they moved in any of the four directions without veering as they moved. Their rims were tall and awesome, for the rims of all four were full of eyes all round. When the living creatures moved, the wheels moved beside them; and when the living creatures rose from the earth, the wheels rose. Wherever the spirit would go, they went, and the wheels rose along with them; for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels."

The prophet Ezekiel sees the wheel within the wheel while he is with the exiles by the river Chebar. The rims, of the wheels, are full of eyes. And these wheels go wherever the spirit goes. This is a revelation from the Lord for the prophet Ezekiel. Minnie Evans (1892-1987) had revelations from the Lord as well. Minnie Evans was a gifted artist from Wilmington that had great influence on the Harlem Renaissance. Her work can be seen in places all over Wilmington, while at the same time in places like the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

This Sunday, Chris Peeler (you can see Chris in the picture with Peg Strohecker – Children's Minister) is going to share about some of Minnie Evans experiences with our children in Jr. bASIC. This will be based on the book *Painting Dreams: Minnie Evans, Visionary Artist*, by Mary E. Lyons. Chris will then lead the children in an artistic exercise using Minnie Evans's artwork as an example.



What's Happening

Scriptures:

01/18/26	Galatians 2.11-21
01/25/26	Galatians 3.23-26
02/01/26	Galatians 4.4-7
02/08/26	Galatians 5.1-26
02/15/26	Galatians 6.1-

Greeters:

January 18th: Cathy & Doug Medlin

January 25th: Youth



ACOLYTES NEEDED!!! Are you in 4th grade or above and interested in becoming an acolyte?? If so, please attend the training on Sunday, January 18 immediately following the 9:30 service! Hope to see you there!! If you have any questions, please reach out to Peg (717) 802-6716 or stroheckerpeg@gmail.com

There will be New Membership Classes on January 25th, February 1st, and February 8th. Anyone that would like to join the church or learn more about Faith Harbor is welcome to come. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Philip Chryst- 910.524.5676



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

Weekly Revenues for Period Ending January 3, 2026				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$3,919.00	\$0	\$405.00	\$12,000	\$16,324.00

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. Saturday, January 17, 2026, 8:00am Planning for 2026

The Harbor Pilots ended 2025 with three great events, and we want to carry that momentum into 2026. Please join us for breakfast on the third Saturday in January 2026 as we begin planning for 2026. Bring your ideas and appetite for a great morning of food, fun, and fellowship.

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 8:00am. 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.



If you enjoy reading and great discussion, we invite you to our reading circle – we meet the first Thursday each month at 10:00, Rm 6. We’d love you to join us! Here are the books coming up...

February: Sanctuary a novel by Paola Mendoza and Abby Sher

March: The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times by Jane Goodall and Douglas Abrams

Save the Date for the next Family Night Supper! Please join us...

February 17, 2026: Pancake Supper - Hosted by Faith Harbor Youth Group

March 4, 2026: Hosted by the Quilting Mission



Do you have a heart for worship? We would love you to join us for a Contemporary Worship Service on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Service begins at 5:00pm. Bring your friends, all are welcome!!

Attention All Musicians out there! Faith Harbor Praise Band is looking for musicians for our Saturday night Contemporary Worship Service! We would be interested in most any instrument or vocalist, but we have real need for guitar (both rhythm and lead) and bass players, keyboard. *If you cannot commit to every Saturday, we could set up a rotating schedule*

Contact: Ron Voli-(804) 334-1113 or Brittany Audet-(910) 465-2412

ATTENTION! Thrivent Grants Support Church Missions- Did you know if you are a Thrivent Insurance customer, you can apply for a \$250 grant to support a church mission project? Each customer is eligible to apply twice a year! These grants have already blessed our quilting group and the CHAP program. If you'd like to learn more or need help applying, please contact Vicki Wygant.

The Nursing Home Ministry of Faith Harbor join members of the Gathering Church on the 2nd Sunday each month in the Memory Care Unit at Woodbury Wellness Center- 2778 Country Club Dr, Hampstead. You are welcome to join us at 11:00a.m. for worship and visit with the residents. Contact: Bescye P Burnett (678) 882-6721 or bescyep@gmail.com

Our Children's Ministry



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>

FIELD TRIP!!!! On Feb. 8, the Children's Ministry (K-5th grade) will be heading to Woodbury Wellness Center to participate in a service with Pastor Bescye! We will be singing a song, reciting a few poems, and handing out Valentine's Day Cards!! I would love to have lots of kids come along!!! A permission slip will be sent home! I also need 3 chaperones to join me because I hope to stop for lunch on the way home!! Any questions, contact Peg Strohecker 717-802-6716

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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: 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

Jan.16-19: Encounter Retreat/Ski Trip - Boys' Chrysalis Flight

Jan. 25: Youth Sunday (MS) and Youth Presentation

Feb 1: Confirmation* Info Meeting for Families

Feb 8: Superbowl Party

Feb 13-15: Girls' Chrysalis Flight

Mar 6-8: Confirmation/Spring Retreat at Camp Don Lee (all youth)

*Confirmation classes will be led by Pastor Philip and Kim McCluskey through Feb and March.

"We have 9 youth attending the Encounter retreat at Lake Junaluska Jan 16-19 & three boys attending the Chrysalis Flight the same weekend. Please be in prayer with us for our safe travels and for the Holy Spirit to reach every heart in an impactful way. We have 3 girls attending their Chrysalis Flight Feb. 13-15 also. Thank you! - Ms. Deb"

Deborah Lanham - Youth Minister

910.388.6862

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

FAITH HARBOR PRESCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



JANUARY 2026

What We Are Learning

THEME: WINTER WONDERLAND

"You have set all the borders of the Earth; you have made summer and winter" Psalm 74:17

This month at Faith Harbor Preschool, we will be exploring all things winter! We'll be learning about snowflakes, winter clothing, snowy weather, animals that hibernate, and the many wonders this special season brings. As we discover how the world changes in winter, we will also talk about how God is the Creator of every season. Through stories, songs, crafts, and play, children will learn that God makes each snowflake unique, provides animals with ways to rest and stay safe, and gives us warm clothes to care for our bodies. We will celebrate winter as a beautiful reminder of God's creativity, care, and constant love for us, even during the cold and quiet times of the year.

We are also excited to share that registration for returning, and new families will begin at the end of January. Please be on the lookout for information about our new online registration process coming soon.



What's New

SOCER SHOTS AND TOPSAIL DANCE ARTS

Soccer Shots-Still time to sign up!

Topsail Dance Arts -Sign up at anytime!

-Miss Jen is our new teacher's assistant in the 2s class. Please stop in and say Hello!



Reminders

- Cold and Flu season is among us. Please remember if your child is feeling sick keep them home. We want to eliminate the spreading of germs as much as possible.
- Registration will begin for returning families the last week of January. Be on the lookout for our new online registration!

Upcoming

- January 6th students return!
- January 29th Pajama Day!





1st: Becki Modlin
2nd: Carole Justice
3rd: Tom Bradford
4th: Kellie Henry
8th: Lyla Passingham
10th: Doug Austin
13th: Gail Hargett-Lilly
14th: Cathey Barber
15th: Alexander Hornthal
17th: Wendy Mooney
18th: Ryan Clark; Diane Geary
21st: Cindy West
22nd: Bill Brazill; Gail Widholm; Vicki Wygant
23rd: Brittany Audet
25th: Karlie Holmes
26th: Judd Schleinkofer
27th: Jeanette Mason
29th: Bodie Taylor
30th: Porter Olmstead
31st: Beth Johanson



Scripture – Week of January 19th

Centering Prayer: "Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me." Psalm 40.13

M Exodus 12.1-28, Acts 8.26-40

Tu Isaiah 53.1-12, Hebrews 10.1-4

W Isaiah 48.12-21, Matthew 9.14-17

Th I Samuel 1.1-20, Galatians 1.11-24

F I Samuel 9.27-10.8, Galatians 2.1-10

Sa I Samuel 15.34-16.13, Luke 5.27-32

Su Isaiah 9.1-4, I Corinthians 1.10-18, Matthew 4.12-23

Key scripture Galatians 2.10: "They asked only one thing, that we remember the poor, which was actually what I was eager to do."



Members: Ray Blackburn; Charles Burnett; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox; Janet Hughes; Manhollow Missionary Baptist Church; Cathy Medlin; Tony Merlino; Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt; Alan Sasser; David & Jill Strohpaul; Ron Voli; Owen Williams

Military: Joe Fraley, Andy Harrison, Charles Hickey; Grace Holmes; 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: Rosie Bland (George & Jill Bland); *Rev. Curtis Campbell*; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); David King and family; Sue Penny; Anthony Powell (Bescye's Brother); Chris Widholm

And please pray for all unnamed persons needing God's peace, comfort, and guidance. Heavenly Father, surround us with your loving light. We pray for complete healing of our body, mind and spirit. Please take away our worries and bring guidance and strength to those in need. AMEN

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

Sunday, 1/18

8:00 Communion Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Sunday School
10:45 Acolyte Training

Thursday, 1/22

12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6
5:30p Girl Scout Troop 4242
6:00p Worship as Life class
6:00p MDT/ Love Thyself class

Monday, 1/19 OFFICE CLOSED

7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
5:30p Trustee's Meeting, Rm. 6
6:30p Cub Scouts

Friday, 1/23

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

Tuesday, 1/20

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

Sunday, 1/25- Youth Sunday

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

Wednesday, 1/21

9:30 Communion
10:15 Staff Meeting, Rm. 6
7:00p Choir Practice
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef