



*Faith Harbor*  
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# HOLY WEEK



My sisters & brothers, this time of year we are given an opportunity to consider. Consider Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who endured hostility from Rome, the Pharisees, the Sadducees, his family, and even his own followers. This hostility was in the form of squabbles over religious doctrine – it was over Rome trying to keep the peace – it was over his followers trying to force him to be a king like David – it was over folks trying to trip him up through the law. This is why we are to consider Jesus – who is the way, the truth, and the life. For in Jesus, we will not grow weary or lose heart.

- 3.31 @7pm Healing Service - The Edge
- 4.1 @7pm Seder Service - Livingstones Tabernacle
- 4.2 @7pm Maundy Thursday - Faith Harbor
- 4.3 @7pm Stations of the Cross - Manhollow MBC

As we consider Jesus – I would invite you to the slow process of holy week. We have many opportunities for the community of Surf City to walk the slow path that leads to Golgotha. Please consider being a part of these services:

- Prayer Labyrinth – open in the sanctuary through Friday 9-2pm (Faith Harbor–14201 US 50, Surf City)
- Maundy Thursday – Thursday, April 2 at 7pm (Faith Harbor –14201 US 50, Surf City)
- Good Friday– Stations of the Cross –Friday, April 3 at 7pm (Manhollow Missionary Baptist Church- 55 Manhollow Church Road, Hamptead)
- Easter Sunrise Service – Sunday, April 5 at 7am (Soundside Park Amphitheater, Surf City)
- Easter Beach Service – Sunday, April 5 at 8am (Crossover – 103 N. Shore Drive, Surf City)
- Easter Service – Sunday, April 5 at 9.30am (Faith Harbor – 14201 US 50, Surf City)

DR. ELAINE HEATH - SPIRITUAL RETREAT:

MAY 30 2026

## THE MYSTIC WAY OF EVANGELISM

A DIFFERENT WAY OF THINKING ABOUT EVANGELISM

9.30AM - 2PM

Join us for a day of worship, teaching, lunch, and a book signing at Faith Harbor UMC (14201 US 50, Surf City NC). Please consider purchasing Dr. Heath's book *The Mystic Way of Evangelism* in advance of her teaching. Free event. Register with: [faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:faithharborumc.secretary@gmail.com)



Regretfully, we will have to cancel the Terry Leigh Buckner retreat on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Her husband is not well, and she needs to be there for him. Please pray for his speedy recovery.



**Faith Harbor Finance Committee Approved Meeting Dates for 2026**

The Finance Committee will meet every other month in 2026. The meetings will be held on the third Tuesday @ 6:30pm in Room 6. The meeting dates are as follows: **May 19; July 21; September 15; November 17**

\*Please mark your calendar for the Leadership Council meetings in 2026: April 25; June 27; August 29; and October 24. At this time, they will be held at the church at 8:30a.m. If you need babysitting, please let me know. If you have any questions, please contact Kim McCluskey at [kmac5036@yahoo.com](mailto:kmac5036@yahoo.com) or 304-982-2008.

**Greeters:**

April 12<sup>th</sup>: Jeanette Mason & Pat Vinson  
 April 19<sup>th</sup>: YOUTH

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

Weekly Revenues for Period Ending March 28, 2026				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$7,934.80	\$52.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	<b>\$9,386.80</b>

Beginning April 19~

04/12/26	Hebrews 1.1-14
04/19/26	Hebrews 2.1-18
04/26/26	Hebrews 3.1-6
05/03/26	Hebrews 4.12-16
05/10/26	Hebrews 5.1-10
05/17/26	Hebrews 7.1-28
05/24/26	Hebrews 9.11-28
05/31/26	Hebrews 10.11-25
06/07/26	Hebrews 11.1-19
06/14/26	Hebrews 12.1-4
06/21/26	Hebrews 12.5-17
06/28/26	Hebrews 12.18-29

**Hello First Friday friends!** The first Friday in April is Good Friday, so I scheduled our dinner this month for the **SECOND** Friday, April 10th at 5:30. We're going to try the Sawmill Grill in Hampstead; here's more information about the menu: <https://sawmillgrillrestaurant.com/>.

Please let me know whether you plan to join us by Monday, April 6th. Please note that we are out of the country right now, so I'll try to keep track when we have Wi-Fi



Build the Vision Study Group will make a presentation on Sunday April 19th immediately following the 9:30 service. Anyone is welcome to attend this presentation. This study group has been working to determine the best way forward to build a Fellowship Hall for the church. So, mark your calendar for April 19th and bring your questions to the presentation.

Thank you

Faith Harbor UMC

March Madness Food Drive!



Thank you to Faith Harbor UMC and all who participated in their March Madness Food Drive to Support Share the Table. You donated 1,376 pounds of food to help feed your neighbors!!❤️



Share the Table



**The Easter Lily.** Tradition has it that the beautiful white lilies sprung up where drops of Christ's sweat fell to the ground in his final hours of sorrow and deep distress. Churches continue this tradition at Easter time by lining the altar and surrounding their crosses with Easter Lilies, to commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ & hope of life everlasting.

**Given to the Glory of God by:**

Jeanne Mays  
Bev McCarron  
Gail Ace & Mike Kaufmann  
Sabrina & Zander Guy  
Kim & Dave McCluskey

**In Honor of:**

Emmy, Nora & Rylan  
Our Families  
Our Grandchildren  
Faith Harbor Youth; Meg & Kevin Wolfe  
Leadership Council; David & Sherri Davila  
Mike & Paula Hopper; Jacklyn & Josh Banyas

**Given to the Glory of God by:**

Gail Ace & Mike Kaufmann  
Kim & Dave McCluskey  
Bonnie Hunter  
John Shakespeare & Tracy  
Rick & Sharon Love

**In Memory of:**

Jim Ace; Gail Kaufmann  
Jerry Cook; Harriet McCluskey  
Bennett Hunter, My husband  
Ben Raphael; Shirley Shakespeare  
Our Parents: Leon & Doris Love; Royce & Doris Dickerson



If you enjoy reading and great discussion, we invite you to our reading circle. We meet on the first Thursday each month at 10:00, Rm 6. Join us!

**Upcoming books:**

May 7 - See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love by Valerie Kaur  
June 4 - The Women by Kristin Hannah

We'll take a break July & August. *If anyone is interested in joining us, give me a call - Anita Phillips at: 919-818-1330. You can read the books but it's ok if you can't make the meeting. Just let me know if you read the books so I can keep a record of how many readers we have. Check out the credenza close to the kitchen as we place books there for folks to share.*

## 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 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. Harbor Pilots Meeting Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 8AM

The next meeting for the Harbor Pilots is set for Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 8am. Please join us for breakfast & fellowship as we discuss and finalize the upcoming events.

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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 8:00am. 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.



***Save the Date for the next Family Night Supper!***

May 6: Hosted by United Women in Faith

**Morning Prayer Time** - Looking for a way to enhance your time praying, to offer prayers for others and have them pray for your concerns too? Ron and Annie Voli host Morning Prayer Time on Facebook Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m. They read from the Book of Common Prayer, Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals and then read aloud the prayer requests and praises of fellow Christians.

All you have to do is make Annie Hannen Williams Voli your friend on Facebook and you have automatic access to Morning Prayer Time and/or they can send you an invitation. Can't do 8:00a.m? No worries, you can always listen/watch later in the day and can add your prayer requests and praises any time. It's such a great feeling to know a community is praying with and for you, because... ***We are BETTER TOGETHER!***

**Annie Voli**

**[avolibeach@gmail.com](mailto:avolibeach@gmail.com)/1-804-338-4784**

## Faith Harbor Chair Yoga



**Come join us on Wednesdays at 11:30!** We will do a 30-minute class that includes seated yoga poses, stretching and some work with light weights. All ages and levels are welcome! Bring a set of light hand weights. Any questions, see Peg Strohecker, Bill Widholm, or Sandy Wise. Hope to see you there!!

The Nursing Home Ministry of Faith Harbor join members of the Gathering Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month in the Memory Care Unit at Woodbury Wellness- 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](mailto:bescyep@gmail.com)



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

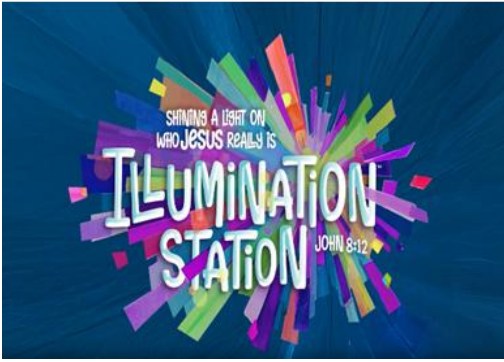
Attention All Musicians! Faith Harbor Praise Band is looking for musicians for our Saturday night Contemporary Worship Service! We would be interested in most any instrument or vocalist, but we have real need for guitar (both rhythm and lead) and bass players, keyboard. Contact: Ron Voli (804) 334-1113 or Brittany Audet (910) 465-2412



**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](mailto:stroheckerpeg@gmail.com) Thank you!

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



Illumination Station VBS is coming July 6- July 9.  
Registration will open on May 1

*Save the Date!!*



**Wayfinders** is our middle school group, grades 6-8.  
**Navigators** is our high school group, grades 9-12.

*Monthly Youth Group Meeting Dates:*

April 26<sup>th</sup>

May- End of School Year party TBD

June 28<sup>th</sup>

July 26- TBD/ August- Back to school party

Youth Sundays: April 19: High School, May 17: Middle School, June 21: High School

## FAITH HARBOR PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2026

### What We Are Learning

#### THEME: NEW LIFE SPRINGS FORTH

"He has made everything beautiful in its time."- Ecclesiastes 3:11

April is a wonderful time in preschool as new life springs forth all around us! This month, we are excited to explore God's creation through meaningful themes including Easter, butterflies, Earth Day, and farm animals and their babies. As we celebrate Easter, we will focus on the true meaning of the season—Jesus' love for us and the joy of His resurrection. Through Bible stories, songs, and crafts, children will learn about hope, forgiveness, and the gift of new life we have through Christ.

Our butterfly theme will help children see the beauty of transformation in God's creation. As we learn about the life cycle of a butterfly, we will connect it to the idea of change and new life, reminding us of the wonderful ways God is always at work.

In honor of Earth Day, we will talk about how we can care for the world God created. Children will learn simple ways to be good stewards of the earth, showing gratitude for all that God has given us.

We will also explore farm life, learning about animals and their babies. Through stories, play, and activities, children will discover how God cares for all His creatures and how we can show kindness and responsibility.

It's going to be a joyful month full of faith, discovery, and the celebration of new life all around us!



### What's New

- Sign up for Soccer at any time!
- Transitional Kindergarten is happening! Spread the word-we have a few spots left!

### Reminders

- Registration for next year is open!! If you plan to return fill out the google form and pay the registration fee to secure your spot!!
- **Tuition is due!**
- Dress for the Weather-Spring weather can be unpredictable, so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play. Bring a jacket or sweater in case it's chilly.

### Upcoming

April 1st-EMA presentation on Sharks!  
April 2nd-Egg Hunt!  
April 7th-9th Spring Break!  
April 30th-Bike day!  
Spring Conferences in May date TBD

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

3<sup>RD</sup>: Joanna Wrigglesworth; Meg Barnes; Hiatt Ellis; Leo Audet

4<sup>th</sup>: Sue Duryea

6<sup>th</sup>: Sean Mooney

7<sup>th</sup>: Keith Norris; Ruby Sawyer; 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; Addie MacDougall; David Strohpaul

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



### **Scripture – Week of April 6<sup>th</sup>**

Centering Prayer: "The LORD is my strength and my might;  
he has become my salvation." Psalm 118.4

M Exodus 14.10-15.21, Colossians 3.5-11

Tu Exodus 15.1-18, Colossians 3.12-17

W Joshua 3.1-17, Matthew 28.1-10

Th Song of Solomon 2.8-15, Colossians 4.2-5

F Song of Solomon 5.9-6.3, I Corinthians 15.1-11

Sa Song of Solomon 8.6-7, John 20.11-20

Su Acts 2.14-32, I Peter 1.3-9, John 20.19-31

Key scripture I Peter 3.9: "for you are receiving the outcome  
of your faith, the salvation of your souls."



**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 Strohpaal; 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; Ellis Rowe; Charlotte Taylor; Craig (family friend of Deanna Beard)

**Family and Friends:** Rosie Bland (George & Jill Bland); Rev. Curtis Campbell; Sean Dalnodar's Aunt Roxy and Uncle Tony; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); David King and family; Sue Penny; Chris Widholm; Noel 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*

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT FAITH HARBOR UMC

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### **Sunday, 4/05 EASTER**

7:00 Sunrise Service  
8:00 Beach Service  
9:30 Easter Service

### **Monday, 4/06**

7:30 Open Prayer  
8:00 Morning Prayer w/the Voli's  
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6  
6:30p Cub Scouts

### **Tuesday, 4/07**

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

### **Wednesday, 4/08**

8:00 Morning Prayer with the Voli's  
9:30 Communion  
10:00 Rainbow Circle, Rm. 6  
11:30 Chair Yoga  
7:00p Boy Scouts/Reef

### **Thursday, 4/09**

8:00 Morning Prayer with the Voli's  
12:00 AA Group, Rm. 6

### **Friday, 4/10**

8:00 Morning Prayer with the Voli's  
8:30 Women's Breakfast Group  
5:00p Praise Band Practice

### **Saturday, 4/11**

5:00p Praise Service

### **Sunday, 4/12- Confirmation Sunday**

8:00 Beach Service  
9:30 Worship Service  
10:45 Adult Sunday School