



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



- Faith Harbor Finance Committee meetings will be held on the third Tuesday @ 6:30pm in Room 6. Dates are as follows: **November 17**
- Leadership Council will meet: **October 24** at the church- 8:30a.m. If you need childcare or have questions, please contact Kim McCluskey at kmac5036@yahoo.com or 304-982-2008.
- If you would like to view the Trustee Finance/Budget Review, there is a hard-copy available in the office or you may contact John Weaver- Email: jweaver@customlogicnc.com

Greeters:

September 20th: Youth

September 27th: Cathy & Doug M.

Worship Schedule				
78:1-4	Mt 20:1-16	And We Grumble	17 SAP	20-Sep
78:12-16	Mt 21:23-32	Creed and Deed	18 SAP	27-Sep
19:1-14	Mt 21:33-46	Just Deserts	19 SAP /World Communion	4-Oct
106:1-12	Mt 22:1-14	You Are Invited	20 SAP/Bless Animals	11-Oct
99:1-9	Mt 22:15-22	Astonished	21/Laity Sunday	18-Oct
90:1-6	Mt 22:34-46	What Sayeth Thee?	Reformation	25-Oct
107:1-9	Mt 23:1-12	The Humbled and the Exalted	All Saints	1-Nov
78:1-4	Mt 25:1-13	Ready or Not?	24 SAP donor sun	8-Nov
76:1-12	Mt 25:14-30	Trustworthy or Wicked?	25 SAP	15-Nov
100:1-5	Mt 25:31-46	The Sheep and the Goats	Christ the King	22-Nov
80:1-7	Mk 13:24-37	What Time Is It?	Advent 1 yr B	29-Nov
85:1-13	Mk 1:1-8	Good News; Repent!	Advent 2	6-Dec
126:1-6	Jn 1:6-8,19-28	To Bear Witness to the Light	Advent 3	13-Dec
Canticle Mary/199	Lk 1:26-38	How Can This Be?	Advent 4	20-Dec
Isaiah 9:	Lk 2:1-20	World, Home, Heart	Christmas Eve	24-Dec
148:1-14	Lk 2:22-40	Christmas Joy	1 SAC	27-Dec

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. Fall Fest Football Tailgater Saturday, September 19, 2026, 11:30AM – 2:30PM

***The Fall Fun Fest Tailgater will be held at 734 Morris Landing Rd, Holly Ridge, look for the covered picnic area. Adult beverages are welcome, wear your team colors, tailgate food provide and donations welcome.

Tuesday Morning Men’s Group

Come as you can, if you can. Unless otherwise stated, the men’s group meet at *Sear’s Landing*- arriving around 8:00 AM; food orders begin around 8:30 for those planning to eat. Roger Morton, our devotional leader and biblical scholar, provides an inspirational devotion each week. Please join us if you wish to start your day in an uplifting and inspirational way. For more information, contact Roger: rramorton@gmail.com





Save the Date!

Safer Sanctuaries Training will take place on Sunday, Sept. 27th immediately following the 9:30 service. We have an updated policy that will be presented. If you are or will be working with the children or youth of our church, please plan to attend. All members of the congregation are invited.

Upcoming Family Night Supper's...

October 7th- Sponsored by United Women in Faith

Menu: Soups, Chili, Sandwiches, Desserts, and Drinks/ Time: 6:00pm

November 4th- Sponsored by Faith Harbor Pilot's



If you enjoy reading and having great discussions, we invite you to our reading circle! We meet on the first Wednesday each month at 10:00, Rm 6. Please join us!

The upcoming books we have chosen:

October 7 – How Beautiful We Were by Imbolo Mbue. The category is Education for Mission

November 4 – Red, White, and Whole by Rajani LaRocca. This is a youth book in the category of Spiritual Growth

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 near the kitchen as we put books there for folks to share.

If you have a prayer concern or request for the prayer warriors-

Please contact Paula at: paulahopper5@gmail.com or 703-403-3017



"All God's creatures are a gift from God."

— James 1:17

Pets
People
Community
Creation
All Belong!

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 11, 2026
Starting at 2:00 pm

Faith Harbor United Methodist Church
Parking Lot

Pets are family too!

Bring your pups, cats, birds or lizard!
If your pet is too big just bring a picture! ♥

- All animals must be in a carrier or on a leash. Keep all animals at safe distances and keep yours under control.
- We will put up chairs and keep everyone at safe distances so please help us!
- Express gratitude, invoke protection and affirm how important your animal friend is to you.
- Help us to reinforce humane treatment and respect for all of God's creatures.

Faith Harbor
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Beacon of Joy, Anchored in Christ,
Sharing God's Love Through Joyful Service.*

All God's creatures are loved here! ♥

FAITH HARBOR
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ARTISAN Christmas MARKET

SHOP LOCAL. SUPPORT COMMUNITY.
CELEBRATE THE SEASON!

OVER 20
LOCAL
VENDORS

UNIQUE GIFTS
& HOLIDAY DÉCOR

A VISIT
FROM SANTA

FREE ENTRY + FREE PARKING

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 5, 2026
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**14201 NC-50
SURF CITY, NC**

ALL BOOTHS
ARE INDOORS
*Weather is
Not an Issue!*

WARM & WELCOMING
SHOPPING EXPERIENCE
*Stay Warm,
Shop Local!*



Just a reminder, the sign-up sheet/clip board for Altar Flowers is right outside the office door. If there's a special occasion or you have a friend/ loved one you would like to honor and/or remember, there are many dates available for Fall- Winter

**For your convenience, Surf City Florist will deliver floral arrangements right to the church, so you don't have to.*



The Nursing Home Ministry of Faith Harbor and members of The Gathering meet on the 2nd 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



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!!

FROM THE FINANCE TEAM

If you'd like to donate, please scan the QR code



Weekly Revenues for Period Ending September 12, 2026				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$7,708.50		\$7.00	\$1,450.00	\$9,165.50

Note: If you wish to make any changes to your online giving and are unable to do so, feel free to contact the Finance Team at faithharborumc.finance@gmail.com.

UNDERSTANDING BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP: One of the first things that I learned before becoming the Finance Committee Chairperson was that stewardship is a primary responsibility of the finance committee. It is the committee's responsibility to raise sufficient income to meet the budget. It is also the committee's responsibility to administer the funds received by the Church and to disburse those funds in a manner that is pleasing to God. When we, the body of Christ, approve a budget each year, we are making a promise to God that His Will, will be done with our tithes and offerings. And if we fail for any reason in that endeavor, then we have broken our solemn promise to God.

Stewardship is not just about the money; biblical stewardship is so much more. It's about taking care of and managing our time, talents, possessions, resources, and relationships, which are His precious gifts to us.

Everything we have belongs to God (Psalm 24:1) and He has entrusted us to be good managers of His gifts.

I would ask each of you to spend time talking to Jesus about your finances and asking Him how much (or how little) you are to give. Look to Jesus to give of your time and talents by faith and as an act of worship. **Biblical stewardship looks at the whole person and asks, how does Jesus want to work in and through me?**

*** Additional Counter Volunteers Needed-** We are reorganizing the Counter Teams by increasing the number of counters in each rotation from 2 to 3, this will give each team more flexibility & streamline the overall process. Instead of one Head Counter to oversee all the rotations, there will be a Head Counter assigned to each rotation. Each team will decide who will act as the Head Counter and this position may be shared among each of the team members, if desired. We will begin reorganizing the Counter Teams with the current volunteers and continue as volunteers become available. If interested or you would like more information, please contact the Finance Team at the email address listed above.



After a vote with the kids, Jr. BaSiC will now be called Compass Kids. We will meet on the first and third Sunday each month from **10:30-12:00pm**. Have your kids join us for fun, food, and fellowship! We can't do this without your help! Please consider volunteering for just one or two weeks. Use the link below to sign up.

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

Any questions, please reach out to Peg Strohecker, Children's Ministry Director (717) 802-6716 or stroheckerpeg@gmail.com Thank you!

Upcoming Events

9/27: Safer Sanctuaries Training following 9:30 service

10/4: Compass Kids 10:30-12:00

10/18: Compass Kids

Calendar:

September 20: Youth Sunday

Sept. 27: Middle School Wayfinders Group will meet after church
High School Navigator's Group- 6:00pm in the Reef

September 23: Navigator's Group Meeting- 6:30p

October 4: Wayfinders group will meet following church
Navigator's Group- 6:00pm in the Reef

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions...

Jesse Turner-Youth Ministry Leader

256-794-1619; Email: jesseturner123@hotmail.com



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2ND: Zailee Dominick/ 3rd: Ray Blackburn

5th: Giles Jeffreys/ 6th: Sandy Wise

8th: Lance Jordan/ 9th: Rita Streiff; Bryan Hengst

10th: Mark Valente/ 11th: Mattie Albertson

14th: Hazel Passingham/ 19th: Colin Fulgenzi

20th: Danielle Fulgenzi; Arness Krause

22nd: Frank Carroll/ 25th: Quinn Woolard /26th: Will Moore

28th: Michael Kaufmann; Jean Hawley /29th: Jordan Albertson

OCTOBER

1ST: Sabrina Guy/ 3rd: Hunter Tayloe
4th: Buddy Fowler/ 5th: John Pratt
6th: Cindy Kennedy; Don Spencer
8th: LaNier Shepard/ 9th: Oliver Alexander
10th: Scott Passingham/ 12th: Jessica Blackburn
14th: Peg Strohecker/ 17th: Graham Alexander; Greg Holmes
18th: Faye Decatur; Jann Tayloe
19th: Sandy Rogers/ 20th: Lou Secary
21st: Cathy Medlin/ 22nd: Nicole May; Craig Streiff
27th: David Decatur/ 28th: Zander Guy
29th: Susan Graziano; Roxey Jordan
30th: Leigh Bizzell; David Sawyer; Sue Smith



Scripture – Week of September 21st

Centering Prayer: Give ear, O my people, to my law:
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

Psalm 78:1-4

Monday- Romans 16:1-16

Tuesday- Psalm 119:97-104

Wednesday- Matthew 18:1-5

Thursday- Isaiah 48:17-21

Friday- Acts 13:32-41

Saturday- Numbers 27:12-14; Mark 11:27-33

Sunday- Exodus 17:1-7

Prayer Concerns~

Members: Charles Burnett; Lisa Byrd; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox and family; Jim Graziano; the family of Charlene Greener; Janet Hughes and family; Cathy Medlin; Nancy & Tony Merlino; Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt; Alan Sasser; Sandy Sly and family; Paula Smith; David & Jill Strohpaal; Owen Williams; Vicki Wygant



Military: Zac Cole; Joe Fraley, Andy Harrison, Charles Hickey; Grace & Greg Holmes; Joey Horne; Abbie Kizer, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Charlotte Taylor Peters; Dryden Phelps; Tyler Ray, Gavin Robinson; Ellis Rowe; Sam Taylor; Craig (friend of Deanna Beard)

Family and Friends: Karissa Worcester-Anonsen; *Kathyee Bartkowiak* (Paula H); Rosie Bland; Sean D's Aunt Roxy & Uncle Tony; Mike Dalnodar; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Fred Halsell (Sherrie Weaver's father); Chuck Holt (Mike Hopper); Kevin Hrtianski & Sandy (Kim McCluskey); *Rick Hughes*; David King & family; Manhollow Baptist Church; Warren McDonald & family (Zander Guy); Pam Ulrich; Chris & Noel Widholm

Please pray for those named above and 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, 9/20- Youth Sunday

8:00 Communion Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Sunday School
6:00p Navigator's Youth Group/ Reef

Monday, 9/21

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

Tuesday, 9/22

8:00 Pilot's Men's Breakfast
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6
11:15 Women's Group
5:00p Trustee's Meeting
7:00p Women's AA/Reef

Wednesday, 9/23

9:00 Communion
11:30 Chair Yoga
6:30p HS Youth Meeting
7:00p Boy Scouts/ Reef
7:00p Choir

Thursday, 9/24

12:00p AA Group, Rm. 6
5:30p GS Troop 4242
6:00p Thursday Night Classes

Friday, 9/25

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group
5:30-7:30p Family Night Meal

Sunday, 9/27

8:00 Communion Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Sunday School
10:45 Safer Sanctuary Training
6:00p Navigator's Youth Group/ Reef