



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



•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.

•Finance Committee will meet: **November 17** @ 6:30pm in Room 6.

•If you'd 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:

October 6th: Judy M. & Susan V.

October 11th: Sally L. & Cathey B.

Worship Schedule				
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



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 Mbembe. The category is Education for Mission

November 4 – Red, White, and Whole by Rajani LaRocca. 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.

Upcoming Family Night Supper

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
Menu: Brunswick Stew

BEAUTIFICATION & ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Surf City
Street Sweep

Free Parking at Soundside Park!

Grab your friends, family, coworkers, and community spirit to help Surf City sparkle!

Saturday
October 10, 2026
8:00 am

Soundside Park
517 Roland Ave
Surf City, NC 28445

"All God's creatures are a gift from God."
 — James 1:17

Blessing of the Animals

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

Faith Harbor United Methodist Church
Parking Lot

Pets are family too!

Pets People Community Creation All Belong!

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!



Save the Date for our next Friday Night Meal!

When: October 30th

Time: 5:30- 7:30pm

Menu: Boston Butts - Bring a fixin'

Hope to see you there...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. Pilots Quarterly Planning Meeting Saturday, October 17, 2026 at 8:30 AM
2. Share the Table Meal Sunday, October 18, 2026 at 2:00 PM - 6:30 PM
3. Family Night Dinner Fundraiser Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 6:00 PM
4. Craft Fair Fundraiser Saturday, December 5, 2026 at 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
5. Pilots' Sponsored Blood Drive, Wednesday, December 23, 2026

The Pilots' quarterly planning meeting will be the third Saturday in October at 8:30 AM. Please join us as we finalize plans for the remainder of the year. Another opportunity for service is by participating in the preparation and serving a meal to the clients at Share the Table. The Pilots will prepare and serve homemade Brunswick Stew and cornbread at the November Family Night dinner; this is a fund-raising event for the Pilots. The Pilots will provide refreshments for the customers and vendors during the craft fair. This is also a fund-raising event for the Pilots. The Pilots will be sponsoring a blood drive at the Church on December 23, 2026. More information will become available as we near each event. Please mark your calendars now and stay tuned for further updates.

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



It's time for the second annual Christmas in Pender-Onslow Festival of Trees presented by Lauren's Hope.

- Decorate a Tree for auction
- Make wreaths for auction
- Join in the gingerbread contest
- Be a vendor
- Have breakfast with Santa
- Take the stage and be one of our many musicians
- Be a sponsor to help support the cause

Come join us for 2 magical days of fun and entertainment.
Topsail Island Moose Lodge:

November 20th 5:00pm – 8:00pm

November 21st 9:00am (Breakfast with Santa)

November 21st 10:00am – 5:00pm

Look forward to seeing you there. For more information:

www.christmasinpenderonslow.org



Noel

JESUS IS BORN



By LANNY WOLFE, DON MARSH, and BOB BENSON

Faith Harbor Choir has the pleasure of joining voices with Hampstead United Methodist and Wesleyan Chapel choirs for this year's cantata. We will be presenting Noel, Jesus Is Born on December 13th at 4pm, Wesleyan Chapel in Scotts Hill. Mark your calendar you will not want to miss it.

There is one song that has children singing "Go Tell It On the Mountain", so we are looking for children who may be interested in participating, reach out to:

Jessica Blackburn 910-622-1193 jessblackburn1@gmail.com

If you have a prayer concern or request for the prayer warriors-
Please contact Paula at: paulahopper5@gmail.com or 703-403-3017



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 still available

**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 26, 2026				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$5,852.80		\$2.00	\$1,275.00	\$7,129.80

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?**

FHUMC Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes – 500pm – Tuesday, September 22, 2026

John Weaver, Nancy McCurtin, Danny Baisden, Pastor Bobby and guests Kim M and Sharon Jordan

1. Opening Prayer - John Weaver
2. Recent Happenings re: Trustee Concerns
 - a. 2 service calls to unclog condensate drain for unit 10 (5-ton – Sanctuary, rear-of-building-left)
 - b. Service call to investigate functionality of Kitchen unit – needs full replacement – see Item 3, below
 - c. Lou has rejoined as our facilities Manager and is actively addressing HVAC, lighting and other needs.
 - d. Lou and John W met with Brian Krause in last week of August. Brian provided a quote & BOT decided to have him make the replacement and he has been notified to proceed with the project. No word on timing yet. 6 of 18 control panels will be switched out with newer panels, with the aim being to budget for a second round of 6 panels in 2027. Prior to mtg, BOT had approved proceeding. w/cost of \$2,068.
 - e. The Blood Drive we approved has been set for just before Christmas. More details to come in Messenger.
 - f. John shared the HVAC unit location map, pictures of unit tag info & the maintenance log he has started.
3. HVAC Replacement Decision (for Unit 6 = 2.5 ton for kitchen)
 - a. \$8,930 quote from Down East – Bryant 2.5 ton system – no need to include an adder for maintenance.
 - b. \$7,900 verbal quote to Lou from Frymier's Heating & Air – Trane 2.5 ton – we would need to add 2 maintenance visits in 1st year to next year's budget @ \$300 (Lou advised after meeting that \$300 would cover the full first year's 2 seasonal visits)
 - c. BOT decided to have Frymier's perform the replacement, pending Lou obtaining a written quote, with acceptable warranty. It was noted that we need to make sure that Down East does not perform maintenance on Frymier's unit when they do their semi-annual maintenance visit in the late Fall. After the first year, Down East would take over.
4. BOT Line Items/Budget Status & Formulation of 2027 Budget
 - a. BOT assigned budget estimates for all 17 line items under BOT purview.
 - b. The line-by-line Budget decisions are attached, showing the comparisons to the 2026 Budget.

10/18: Compass Kids Fall Fest

Calendar:

October 4: Wayfinders group will meet following church
Navigator's Group- 6:00p/Reef

October 11: Navigator's Group- 6:00p in the Reef

October 17: Haunted Zombie Shoot - Meet at church 5:00p

October 18: Youth Sunday

Wayfinders will meet after church to help with Fall Festival

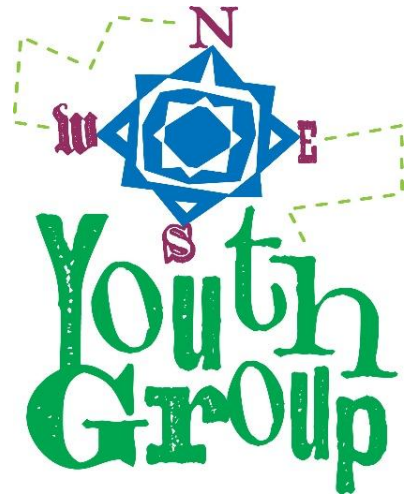
October 21: Youth Group Meeting- 6:30p

October 25: Navigator's Group- 6:00p/Reef

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

Jesse Turner-Youth Ministry Leader

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



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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 October 5th

Centering Prayer: The heavens declare the glory of God;
And the firmament showeth his handiwork.

Psalm 19:1-14

Monday- Deuteronomy 5:1-21

Tuesday- Psalm 119:49-56

Wednesday- John 11:45-57

Thursday- Exodus 24:1-8

Friday- Psalm 23; Isaiah 22:8b-14

Saturday- Mark 2:18-22 /Sunday- Exodus 32:1-14

Prayer Concerns~

Members: Charles Burnett; Lisa Byrd; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox and family; Diane Geary; Jim Graziano; Janet Hughes; Cathy Medlin; Nancy & Tony Merlino; Becki Modlin; Anita Phillips; Judy Pratt; Debbie Sasser & 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: Kathyee Bartkowiak (Paula H); Rosie Bland; Sandra Brown; Sean D's Aunt Roxy & Uncle Tony; Mike Dalnodar; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Fred Halsell (Sherrie Weaver's father); *Curtis Harrell* (Bob's son); Chuck Holt (Mike Hopper); Kevin Hrtyanski & Sandy (Kim McCluskey); Rick Hughes; David King & family; Manhollow Baptist Church; 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

World Communion Sunday, 10/04

8:00/9:30 Communion Service
10:45 Compass Kids & Wayfinders
10:45 Adult Sunday School
6:00p Navigator's Group/ Reef

Monday, 10/05

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

Tuesday, 10/06

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

Wednesday, 10/07

9:00 Communion
10:00 Reading Circle, Rm. 6
11:30 Chair Yoga
6:00p Family Night Supper
7:00p Boy Scouts/ Reef
7:00p Choir

Thursday, 10/08

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

Friday, 10/09

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

Sunday, 10/11

8:00 Communion Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Sunday School
2:00p *Blessing of the Animals*
6:00p Navigator's Group/Reef