



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

Weekly Newsletter

A message from SPRC...We invite anyone who feels called to serve on the Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) to consider volunteering. Due to unforeseen personal circumstances, two committee members have stepped down, and with two additional members completing their terms at the end of this year, we are looking to appoint two new members to begin serving on **October 1 and two additional members to begin serving 1 Jan 2027.**

SPRC is a three-year commitment and serves as the church's personnel and staff support committee. While we meet at least

quarterly, the role often requires additional time as we work alongside the pastor and church leadership to support our staff, develop policies and position descriptions, improve hiring and onboarding, conduct performance evaluations, and help create a healthy, Christ-centered work environment where our staff can thrive. If you have any questions or are interested, please feel free to reach out to Melissa Roberson 910.581.8634 or robersonfamily.2003@gmail.com

Leadership Council needs you! Several members of the Leadership Council will be completing their terms of service in the coming months. The Nominating Committee will begin gathering names toward the end of the year to fill these important positions. If you feel called to serve in one of these roles, or if you know someone who would be a good fit, please contact Pastor Bobby or Jessica Blackburn. Serving on the Council is a wonderful opportunity to use your gifts to support the ministries and mission of Faith Harbor

Pastor Bobby Tyson
252.217.3423 or btysonjr61@gmail.com

Jessica Blackburn #910-622-1193

Position/Committee

Primary Responsibility

Lay Leader- Encourages and equips the laity for ministry and serves as a connection between the congregation and conference.

Lay Delegate to Annual Conference- Represents the church at the conference with voice/vote and reports back to the congregation.

Finance Committee- Oversees the church budget, stewardship, financial reporting, and fiscal accountability.

Finance Chair- Leads the Finance Committee and presents financial matters to Church Council and the congregation.

Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC)- Supports, evaluates & maintains healthy relationships between staff, pastor & congregation.

SPRC Chair- Leads meetings, communicates with the District Superintendent when necessary, and helps address staff concerns.

Trustees- Care for church property, buildings, grounds, insurance, and legal matters.

Worship Chair- Coordinates and supports the worship life of the church, including volunteers and seasonal worship preparations.

Worship Committee- Sanctuary decorations, paraments, seasonal displays, and participate as a communion server.

Secretary- Keeps minutes for Church Council and other designated meetings. **Finance Secretary**- Provides financial reports.

Missions/Outreach Committee- Coordinates mission projects, community outreach, and opportunities for service.

Young Adult Representative- Shares the interests and concerns of young adults with church leadership. Encourages young adults to participate in worship, missions, small groups, and church activities.

Youth Coordinator/Chair- Supports and develops ministries for middle and high school students.

Employment Opportunity: Board of Trustees (BOT) is seeking a church member or regular attendee to fill the position of Property Manager. This is a paid position at a rate of \$500/month (1099). We are seeking an individual who is retired and generally available during the week, or at least one who is not bound by employer time or job location demands, who is somewhat knowledgeable of basic maintenance and “handyman” projects, and who also might be capable of voluntarily performing an occasional “handyman” project. We are seeking someone who could assist in coordinating volunteer efforts from amongst our congregation when there is a lessened level of urgency of performing a repair or upkeep project. Contact John Weaver if you have an interest in this position or would like more details: jweaver@customlogicnc.com or #910-548-0525

What's Happening

- Faith Harbor Finance Committee meetings will be held on the third Tuesday @ 6:30pm in Room 6. Dates are as follows: **September 15; 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 6th: Jill & David S.

September 13th: Jeanette M. & Pat V.



Want to know how you can help? Please consider volunteering...the commitment is typically 1-2x/month.

We are looking for help in the following areas:

- Acolyte (See Peg for more information)
- Offertory Prayer (Contact Kim MacDougall for more information)
- Liturgist (See Pastor Bobby or Jessica Blackburn for more information)

Worship Schedule				
148:1-14	Mt 18:15-20	Gentiles and Tax Collectors	last beach ser/15 SAP	6-Sep
Exodus 15:1-11	Mt 18:21-35	Forgiving and the Forgiven	16 SAP	13-Sep
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



Good evening, first Friday friends. We're changing to the 2nd Friday in September (to avoid Labor Day). Our outing on **Friday, September 11th** will be- Marina Joes, beginning at 5:30p. **Please let me know whether you can join us by Monday, September 8th.** Thanks— *Paula*
PaulaHopper5@gmail.com or 703-403-3017

Here's a link to their website:

https://marinajoes.com/?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=24039293504&gbraid=0AAAABENKQiz0qr-PgmnvduMODj0qZPr0a.



Lesson 26 begins September 13th - 10:45, Room 6.

We will be discussing *Experiencing the Heart of Jesus* by Max Lucado.



Faith Harbor Young Adults — You are Invited!

Join us on Sunday, September 13, in The Reef, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service for Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Bobby. While Jr. BASIC and Middle School are meeting, take some time to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and conversation about you and Faith Harbor.

What do you need from your church? Where do you feel connected? How can we support your spiritual growth and your family? What would you like to see Faith Harbor offer for young adults and families?

Your voice and your ideas matter. No agenda. No preparation. Just coffee, conversation, and a chance to help us think about the future of ministry at Faith Harbor. We'd love to have you at the table!

Sunday, September 13 | After 9:30 a.m. Service | The Reef

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. Stay tuned for what to bring as far as food, drink, games, etc.

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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. FHUMC has an updated policy that will be presented. If you are or will be working with the children or youth of our congregation, please plan to attend. All members of the congregation are invited to attend.

Last Emmaus at Faith Harbor? Maybe? If you haven't seen the email from Coastal Carolina Emmaus, know that the Salt and Life Center will not be able to host Emmaus events next year. The new location (not yet identified) may not be close to Faith Harbor, and so we may no longer be hosting like we will in October.

That leaves two things we should consider:

- 1) October may be the last time we have such convenient access to Emmaus. PLEASE consider making a special effort to attend, if you're usually on the fence. "Next time" may include a 90-minute, one-way drive!
- 2) Sponsor someone! Again, convenience. Springtime may include a lot more driving than this fall.

Of course, the new location may be just down the road, and all this concern could be for naught. But I don't believe that "loving on someone in Jesus's name" will ever be a poor way to spend an evening.

If you have questions or know of a Christian "retreat-type venue" that can support 80 folks, please reach out to me.

Peace,

Chris Campbell

Chriscampbell7833@hotmail.com



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



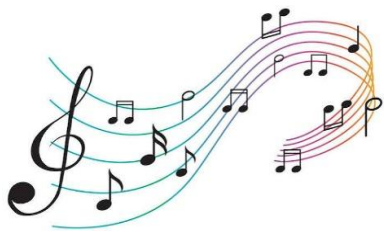
If you enjoy reading and having great discussions, we invite you to our reading circle! We meet on the first Wednesday each month at 10:00, Rm 6. Please join us!

The upcoming books we have chosen are:

October 7 - How Beautiful We Were by Imbolo Mbue, a novel. 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.



An Update from Our Music Ministry... Christmas will be here before we know it! We are looking over music in preparation for our Christmas Cantata. Practice music will also be made available on **CDs or thumb drives** so choir members can listen and practice at home. If you have ever thought about joining the choir, **this is a wonderful time to do it!** Please don't look at the limited number of chairs currently in the choir area and think there isn't room for you. **We can always add more chairs — and we would love to have to!** You do not have

to be a professional singer. Come with a love for music, a heart for worship, and a willingness to be part of our choir family. Whether you have sung with us before or have never stepped into a choir loft, you are welcome. If you're interested in joining us or would like more information, please contact me. I'm excited about this next chapter for our Music Ministry and look forward to seeing what God will do as we worship and serve together.

With love,

Jessica Blackburn Worship Chair

910-622-1193 / jessblackburn1@gmail.com

Save the Date!

A festive poster for the Faith Harbor United Methodist Church Artisan Christmas Market. The poster features a large Christmas tree on the right side, decorated with lights and ornaments. The text is arranged in a clean, organized manner with various icons and a location pin. The overall theme is warm and inviting, with a focus on community and local shopping.

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

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

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SURF CITY, NC

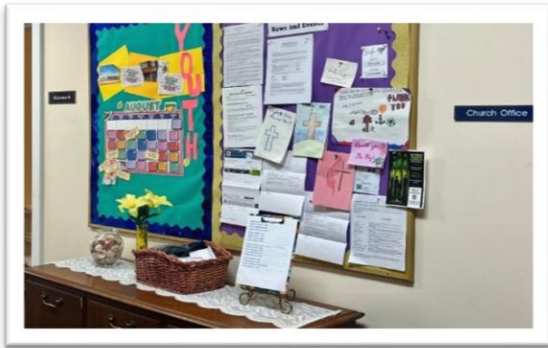
FREE
ENTRY
+
FREE
PARKING

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

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

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 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 August 29, 2026				
Tithes - General Budget	Oth Spec	Oth Revenues	Pre-School	Total Revenue
\$23,842.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$26,342.05

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.

“Each one must do just as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7

Our Children's Ministry



Jr BASIC is held during the school year on the first and third Sunday of each month. It's a time when elementary-aged children can stay after church for fellowship, lunch, and a lesson/craft. It allows the kids of Faith Harbor an opportunity to get to know each other better and for the parents to grab a quick lunch.

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#/>

Upcoming:

September 13- JR Basic meets

September 27- Safer Sanctuary Training/10:45 in the Sanctuary

October 4 & 18- JR Basic regular schedule



September 13 & 27: Middle School will meet following church

September 13: High School Youth Group begins and will continue to meet Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Reef

September 23: Middle & High School Youth Group Meeting- 6:30p

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



Scripture – Week of September 7th

Centering Prayer: Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights above.

Psalm 148:1-14

Monday- Exodus 12:14-28

Tuesday- Romans 13:1-13:7

Wednesday- Matthew 21:18-22

Thursday- Psalm 103:8-103:13, Genesis 37:12-37:36

Friday- Acts 7:9-16

Saturday- Exodus 15:19-21; Matthew 6:7-15

Sunday- Exodus 14:19-31

Prayer Concerns...

Members: Charles Burnett; Connie & Frank Carroll; Doris & Mike Davis; David Decatur; Patty Feige; Parker Fox and family; Jim Graziano; Janet Hughes; Cathy Medlin; Nancy & Tony Merlino; Becki Modlin; Judy Pratt; Alan Sasser; 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*; Aleshia Beaver; Rosie Bland (George & Jill Bland); Rev. Curtis Campbell; Sean D's Aunt Roxy and Uncle Tony; *Mike Dalnodar*; Eileen Eifert (John Pratt's sister); Fred Halsell (Sherrie Weaver's father); Jeff Hermanson; Chuck Holt (Mike Hopper); *Kevin Hrtysanski and Sandy (Kim McCluskey)*; *Donna, Rick, and Shannon (Janet Hughes)*; David King and family; Manhollow Missionary Baptist Church; Warren McDonald and family (Zander Guy); Sue Penny; Frank Sanvitis (Judy); Jacob Tyson; Pam Ulrich (friend

of Sherrie W); 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, 9/06

8:00 Last Beach Service
9:30 Communion Service

Monday, 9/07- Labor Day

OFFICE CLOSED
7:30 Open Prayer
9:00 Quilters, Rm. 6

Tuesday, 9/08

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, 9/09

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

Thursday, 9/10

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

Friday, 9/11

8:30 Women's Breakfast Group

Sunday, 9/13

8:00 Communion Service
9:30 Worship Service
10:45 Adult Sunday School
10:45 JR Basic
10:45 *Coffee & Conversation/ Reef*
10:45 MS Youth Group