FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOX HILL

Welcome



"A Charter of Freedom Through the Spirit" May 30, 2021

John 3:1-17 & Romans 8:12-17

Grow with us in Christ, learning we are loved, forgiven, and called to share the Good News and expand God's Kingdom.

1 Salt Pond Road, Hampton, VA 23664 • 757-851-6302 • churchoffice@firstumcfoxhill.org

www.firstumcfoxhill.org • www.facebook.com/firstumcfoxhill

Pastor: Brian Sixbey — PastorBrian@firstumcfoxhill.org

Assistant Pastor: Tommy Markham — PastorTommy@firstumcfoxhill.org

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

God didn't send Jesus into the world to condemn the world,

But so that the world could be saved!

We weren't saved to become robots -

We are saved to become children of God!

Praise the Lord!

* Hymn UMH 57 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

(vss. 1-5)

* Statement of Faith UMH 881 Apostles' Creed

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offering

Prayer of Confession Pastor Tommy

We are grateful for the freedom our nation provides, often through the sacrifices of those we honor this Memorial Day weekend. We are also grateful for the freedom the Holy Spirit gives us – freedom to live without fear, regret, and with the confidence that we are called to a purpose greater than ourselves. We ask, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the Holy Spirit to help live fully as the beloved children of God. Amen.

Words of Assurance Pastor Tommy

In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, Glory be to God! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Pastor Tommy

Scripture John 3:1-17 & Romans 8:12-17

Sermon "A Charter of Freedom Through the Spirit" Pastor Brian

Reflection "King of Kings" Praise Band

Hillsong Worship

All are invited to join us outside for the final songs. Please maintain social distance!

* Hymn UMH 696 "America, the Beautiful"

Benediction Pastor Brian

Benediction Response UMH 349 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Postlude

CCLI No. 692352, CSPL No. 114593

^{*} Please stand as you are able.

America



WORDS: Samuel F. Smith, 1832 MUSIC: Thesaurus Musicus, 1744 **AMERICA** 664.6664



WORDS: Katharine Lee Bates, 1904 MUSIC: Samuel A. Ward, 1888

Pastor's Column

Looking Ahead: Sunday, June 6, 2021 Romans 12:1-8; 1 Samuel 3:15-21 "Transforming Gifts – Prophecy" Ministries Available

- Parking Lot Ambassador
- Sanctuary/Narthex Ambassador
- Follow-up specialists
- •Training for these positions will take place following worship on June 6.

Small Group Leader's Support Gathering

Our first meeting will be this **Wednesday**, **June 2**, **at 7pm** for an hour. Location will be Tri-X, unless too many come to make it work there. The goal will be to provide practical, spiritual, and emotional support for group leaders, whether they are new or old hats in the work. **Meetings are planned monthly**, **first Wednesday of the month.** Meetings are not required, but encouraged.

Safe Sanctuaries Training

The next Safe Sanctuaries training class is at **7 p.m.** on **Friday, June 4**. To register please **contact the church office** by June 2.



I received an anonymous call from a woman shortly after she left yesterday's food pantry. She wanted to thank the church for this ministry. She said she was an older woman that needed help on occasion and this ministry and the people working it have been amazing. She was in tears on the phone and wanted to be sure the food pantry committee and church as a whole knew what a blessing they are.

Church Office



Mimeo & the Soriano family
Annelise Hecker - Pat Parker's daughter-inlaw's neice
Norma, Kathy Fisher's sister
The Messick Family
Carol the sister of Jan - friend of Sharon
Whitley

Matt Bubb & family - friends of Betty Knaub Julio & the Aviles Family Collette Quinn's younger sister Larry, Pat Leary's father Tammy Winston Laura Scott



We continue to extend our condolences to the Messick family on the tragic loss of Luke. There will be a time for food, soccer, and sharing this coming Sunday, May 30, at 1pm at the River Birch Shelter at Gosnold's Hope Park.

A loss in our church family

We extend our condolences to Mimeo and the Soriano family in the death of his beloved wife, Norma, on Monday, May 24. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Parklawn Memorial Park, 2551 N Armistead Ave, Hampton, VA 23666.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the American Diabetes Associations.

Cards maybe sent to the Soriano home: 2422 Andrews Blvd., Hampton, VA 23663

Sunday School Superintendent

Now that things are getting better from Covid, we are doing some reorganizing in the Sunday School program. We really need someone to lead this program. Please joyfully consider this position as it is a very worthwhile endeavor and will provide a great service to our church. Sunday School is such a valuable tool to learn more about Christ and his teachings for adults and children!!!! Please let the office know if you would be interested.

From the Kitchen Committee

As Covid restrictions start to lighten up, we think this is a good time to start cleaning certain parts of the kitchen that are not Julio's responsibility. On **June 1** we will be cleaning the refrigerator, and possibly the freezer. Please refrain from putting any items in the refrigerator/freezer if possible, until they are cleaned. If you need to store anything, please be sure to put your name on it, and remove it by May 31.

Many thanks to the church members who have helped keep the kitchen clean during these Covid times, and who have replaced cleaning supplies as needed.



Food Pantry News GRILLING SEASON IS HERE!

Thank you all for your support!

We have met our goal for condiments needed. No further donations for this specific request is needed.

Sincerely, Food Pantry Committee

Honoring or Graduating Students On Sunday, June 13 at the 10:00 am

worship service we will recognized our 2021 graduates and presented with gifts. To help insure that we have a complete list of all our graduates, including high school, college, and technical schools please complete the form, available at the podium where you receive your bulletins on Sunday morning, and place in the offering plate or email Josh no later than **June 6**.

jmmcnutt.VA@gmail.com

CANS 4 CONFERENCE

Please consider donating cans of food or dry packaged food (please no glass containers due to possible breakage) to help this worthy cause. A tub labeled "Cans 4 Conference" is available in the narthex. We will be collecting through 13 June. Thank you in advance for your donation. All of the food collected will stay locally and help support local ministry partners in our area.

Thank You, Mike Williams

Care Net Layette Kits

We invite anyone interested to donate individual items or complete kits from the list below. The contents of each completed kit should be placed in a large Ziplock bag and include:

Baby clothing up to 12 months
Baby shampoo
Small toys
Pacifiers
Diapers (3) and diaper pins
Washcloths

Items can be placed in a tub labeled "Care Net Layette Kit" in the Narthex no later than **June 14.** Please consider helping new mothers in need! Any questions, please contact Joyce Winston.



2021 Annual Conference

June 18-19 (All sessions will be virtual) *United as One*

From John 17:20-23, NRSV — "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

Clergy Reporting Absence from 2021 Annual Conference

According to *Book of Discipline* ¶602.8[1], any **active clergy member** of the Annual Conference who will not be attending must notify the conference secretary with the reason for your absence.

You may do so by emailing acting Conference Secretary Joshua King at <u>JoshuaKing@vaumc.org</u> or mail to: Rev. Joshua King, P.O. Box 487, Purcellville, VA 20134

<u>Click here</u> to download a letter from King (PDF)

Save the Dates the week of Annual Conference

Test your Tech sessions will be held Monday, June 14; Tuesday, June 15, and Wednesday, June 16 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. This is for all clergy and lay members of the Annual Conference to test technology in preparation for the Annual Conference events. Members will sign on to test connectivity.

Voting Practice session: **Tuesday, June 15, 6 -7 p.m.** This is for all clergy and lay members of the Annual Conference to test voting with the credentials that will be emailed to each member.

Electronic Book of Reports available

The *Book of Reports* is now <u>digitally</u> available (https://doc.vaumc.org/AC2021/BOR2021.pdf).

Annual Conference members who opted in for a mailed, printed copy will be receiving their copy shortly. The **agenda** is included beginning on page 6.

Virtual Display Times

This year's virtual Annual Conference will feature virtual displays. The displays will be open to visit at the following times: Friday, 6/18, 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday, 6/18, 3:00-6:45 p.m. Saturday, 6/19, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Worship Assistants for May 30, 2021

Ushers: Jim Roberson(Capt), Joyce Winston,

A.G. Womble, Rick Nolin, Fred Foster

Liturgist: Tom Hite

Projection: 5/16 - 5/30 - Lydia Simpson

Sound & Lights: 5/30 Jim Bly

Camera / Video Mix:

5/2-5/30 Marie Clement

Livestream/Recording:

Night Watchmen: 5/30 Ron Mayo

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Ecclesiastes 3:1 To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven.

Sunday, May 30

8:45 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage &

Zoom

Passcode: 000846

8:45 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom &

Zoom

Password: Faithlink

10:00 a.m. Worship Service:

In-Person & Livestream

1:00 p.m. Celebration of Luke Messick:

River Birch Shelter, Gosnold's

Hope Park

Monday, May 31 Memorial Day



10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School: Tri-X 1:00 p.m. Daylight Bible Study: FH

Tuesday, June 1

10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR

11:00 a.m. Norma Soriano Graveside

Service: Parklawn Memorial

Park

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting:

ͰH

7:00 p.m. Scouts Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, June 2

10:00 a.m. Soul Sisters Bible Study: Zoom

Password: Jesus

4:30 p.m. Love Unites: Praying Parents rm

6:00 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Choir

7:00 p.m. Small Group Leader Support

Gathering: Tri-X

7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group:

FH - Stage



<u>Download our App</u>

Visit and like us on:





Thursday, June 3

11:00 a.m. Pastor Tommy's Reunion Group

5:30 p.m. Praise Band Worship Team

Rehearsal: Sanctuary

Friday, June 4

6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group:

FH - Stage

7:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuaries Training: Tri-X

Saturday, June 5

9:30 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group:

FH - Stage

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, June 6

Ambassador Training

Farewell Service for DS Kim:

Zoom

Sunday, June 13

Graduation Sunday

Sunday, June 18-19

Virtual Annual Conference

Sunday, June 20

Father's Day

Friday, Oct. 15

Pumpkins Arrive

Oct. 16 - 31

Pumpkin Patch

Last Week's Attendance 5/23/2021

10 a.m. Service: **120**

Sunday School Sunday School: **58**

Internet Live Streaming: 257

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings

Total One Fund: \$ 7,963.88

Year to Date: \$ 263,969.85

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$ 0.00

Year to Date: \$ 1,463.54