



Welcome to

First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

A vibrant church, making Christian disciples & enriching lives through outreach.

July 27, 2025

“Holding Fast”

Colossians 2:1-23, 3:1-4

Sunday's Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Single Worship Service: In-Person/Livestream
10:30 a.m.	Faithlink Class: Classroom
10:30 a.m.	Searchers Class: FH Stage
	Zoom Passcode: 000846
10:30 a.m.	Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing
4:00 p.m.	Women in the Word: ESR



Pray Continually

1 Thessalonians 5:17

Jack Morehouse
Brian Eubank, Sr.



We continue to pray for our homebound, those with chronic conditions, and for those unspoken prayers.

Announcements

Just in case!

Pastor Brian will be out on the Reservation July 24-Aug 2, back in church Aug 3, and then on a trip with the Sea Scouts Aug 4-8. During good portions of these times, he may not have cell coverage and won't be able to come back to town. In case of a pastoral emergency, if Pastor Tommy is not available, please contact Rev. Kerry Greenhill at (757) 525-4065.

Lay Servant Virtual Academy August 15 & 16th

Courses are between \$15 and \$30 plus the cost of the book. The registration link is: <https://brushfire.com/vaumc/Isasummervirtualevent2025/604608>. Courses include Basic, Spiritual Gifts, Preaching, Discipleship, Polity, Discipleship, Certified Lay Minister, and Simplified Accountable Structure.

Fifty Plus

As we get ready for a new season of activities, we will gather for our annual **Fifty Plus Potluck Picnic in the Park at Gosnold's Hope Park, 901 E. Little Back River Road**. Plans are to **meet at the Cherry Shelter** (fourth left after entering the park). Mark your calendar now for **5 pm, Wednesday, August 13**. We will provide fried chicken, soft drinks, and paper products; you provide a dish to share. **Cost is just \$3.00**. When you sign up, be prepared to tell us what you plan to bring, e.g., appetizer, salad, vegetable, entrée, dessert, other. In addition to great fellowship, we'll chat about possible future activities.

Contact Anne or Bill Bryan with your ideas and to sign-up so we have a headcount – in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748. Please do it NOW.

July 27, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Single Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord;

Be strong, and let your heart take courage;

Wait for the Lord.

* Hymn	UMH 400	"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
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Children's Time		Judy Adams
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Offering Prayer and Offertory	"El Shaddai" Amy Grant	Pam & Peyton Roberts
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* Doxology	UMH 71	"Glory Be to the Father"
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* Hymn	UMH 397	"I Need Thee Every Hour"
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Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Brothers and sisters, the mercies of God are from everlasting to everlasting.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Pastor Tommy
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Anthem	"Battle Hymn of the Republic" Wilhousky	First Fox Hill Family Choir
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Scripture	Colossians 2:1-23, 3:1-4	
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Sermon	"Holding Fast"	Judy Adams
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* Hymn	UMH 399	"Take My Life and Let It Be"
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* Benediction		Judy Adams
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Just like you receive Christ Jesus the Lord, so go on living in him--in simple faith. Grow out of him as a plant grows out of the soil it is planted in-- becoming more and more sure of your faith. Go in God's peace. Amen

* Benediction Response	UMH 337	"Only Trust Him"
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Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Dog Days Community Fun & Wellness Event! - Aug 10

All small group leaders, especially those that would be interesting to non-church goers (such as yoga, karate, fellowship of circumstance, etc.) are invited to be present to talk about their groups and encourage folks to join them. We will have a bouncy castle and other outdoor activities, and themed vendors inside for mental and emotional wellness. Please see Brian for details.

First UMC Fox Hill

THE CHURCH ON THE CORNER!!

AUGUST 10, 2025
2PM-5PM

DOG DAYS

COMMUNITY FUN &
WELLNESS EVENT!!



OUTDOOR FUN & GAMES
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
VENDORS



WE WILL BE COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS
FOR ASBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

A Prayer for the Youth Mission Trip Among the Navajos

Lord Jesus, you have provided for us in so many ways – for our daily bread, our friends and families, our work and volunteer opportunities, our hope for the future, and redemption for all that is past. As our youth go to serve the Navajo youth this week, we ask that you provide for them in some special ways. For safe journeys out and back, and everywhere in between. For connections to be made, that friendships will be built, perhaps for a lifetime. For their adult leaders to have compassion, wisdom, discernment, and rest. For our youth to gain knowledge, wisdom, and that they may discover their God-given purpose on earth. We pray as well as for the Navajo youth they will minister among, that they will feel your graceful presence and find their rest in you. We ask that you provide courage, boldness, and humility, that you would direct each one in the paths that you design for them. Finally, Lord Jesus, we ask that your Holy Spirit rest upon each one of the youth, adults, and people in our congregation, that we may all grow closer to God, to each other, and to the people around us. We ask this in the mighty name of Jesus, through the power of the Spirit, to the glory of God our Father. Amen.



Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 27

9:00 a.m. Single Worship Service: In-Person/Livestream
 10:30 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage Zoom Passcode: 000846
 10:30 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom
 10:30 a.m. Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing
 4:00 p.m. Women in the Word: ESR

Monday, July 28 Church Office Closed

~~10:00 a.m. Yoga: FH Stage~~ **Will return Monday, August 4**

10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School: Tri-X Room
 1:00 p.m. "The Book" Club: Tri-X Room
 6:00 p.m. Phoebus Women's Club Meeting: Faithlink Room
 7:00 p.m. Ballroom Dance Class: FH Stage

Tuesday, July 29

10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting
 (Bears, Weeblo, AoLs only)
 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, July 30

3:00 p.m. Love Unites: ESR
 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, July 31

11:00 a.m. Pastor Tommy's Reunion Group
 5:00 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
 6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage

Friday, Aug 1

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

Saturday, Aug 2

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink Room
 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

July 24 – August 2, 2025 Elevate Youth Mission Trip

Next Sunday

August 3, 2025
"Lyn Lions"
Daniel 6:10-28

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Attendance 07/20/2025

In person: **105**

9:00 a.m. Service 76
 10:30 a.m. Service 29

Internet Live Streaming **42**

9:00 a.m. Service 37
 10:30 a.m. Service 5

Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund: \$ 9,716.18
 Year to Date: \$ 262,490.12

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$ 25.00
 Year to Date: \$ 1,433.00

Worship Assistants for July 27, 2025

July Ushers	9:00 a.m.: Jimmy Roberson (Capt.), Rick Nolin, Fred Foster, Jeanne Chapman, * 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, Elevate Youth
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Ron Mayo
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: 7/27 Nancy Geith & Joann Smith 8/02 Fred & Kay Foster 10:30 a.m.: 8/03 Judy & Mike Adams
Night Watchmen	7/27 Fred Foster, 8/3 Jesse Barbour, 8/10 Ron Mayo

Job Openings

We have need for two people to serve jobs in the church, and we are asking for your help to find the right people to serve. First, we need a **sexton**, who would work 3 days a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) from 8am-3pm. The sexton would be responsible for cleaning all the spaces in the building, keeping up with trash, setting up for events, and general maintenance. The days and times can be flexible, but these times would work best for everyone involved.

Second, we need a **nursery assistant** to work with Chelsea in the nursery on Sunday mornings and occasionally other times as well. They will need to pass the safe sanctuaries training as well as first aid requirements, but if they do not possess these, we can provide them. Hours are generally 8-noon Sundays.

For more information on these jobs, please see Bob Casey, Steve Phillips, Michael Adams, or Pastor Brian. You may not want to serve in either capacity, but someone you know may be the person we need!

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Music Director/Organist: Mark Biondolillo - musicianmark@firstumcfoxhill.org

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