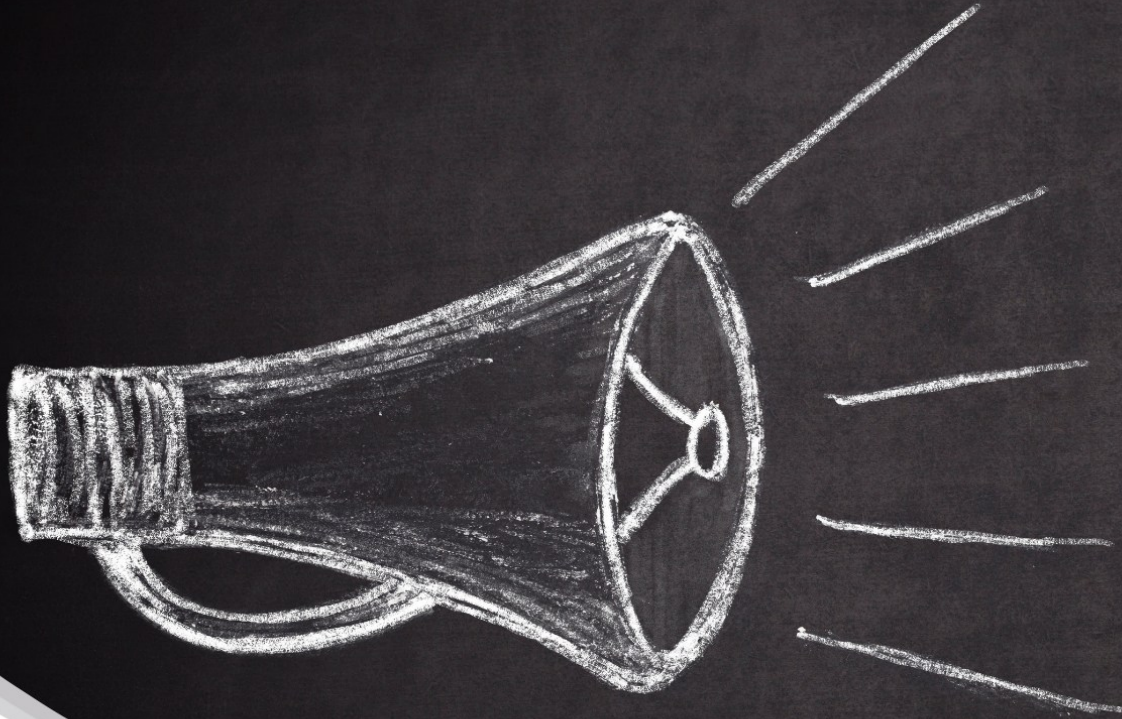


First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

Sunday, August 16, 2026



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

“Listen or Shout?”

Acts 15:1-29

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

August 16, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us open our hearts and our minds

To the movement of the Spirit.

God is here:

Give us ears to hear your Word, Lord!

*Hymn	UMH 89	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
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Children's Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

*Doxology	UMH 70	"Glory Be to the Father"
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*Hymn	UMH 496	"Sweet Hour of Prayer"
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Prayer of Confession

O God, you seem so far away sometimes. We want to act in ways that are right, but we find ourselves doing just the opposite. You are holy and we are flawed. You are strong and we are weak. You are merciful and we are unforgiving. Remove the sin that separates us from you; gather us into the arms of your mercy; and heal us through the One who is crucified and risen, Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Words of Assurance

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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

Morning Prayer	Patty Biondolillo
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The Lord's Prayer

Special Music	"Favorite Hymns"	Marilyn Eubank, Soloist
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Scripture	Acts 15:1-29
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Sermon	"Listen or Shout?"	Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey
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* An Affirmation of Faith	UMH 888
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*Hymn	UMH 395	"Take Time to Be Holy"
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*Benediction

*Benediction Response	UMH 507	"Through It All"
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Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

Prayers for

Helen Boone
Cathy Geary
Nanci Browning
Sue and Jack Morehouse

Bonnie Harper
Kathy Kromoff
Charles Levi Parker
Brian Eubank, Sr.

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

MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

August 16, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us open our hearts and our minds

To the movement of the Spirit.

God is here:

Give us ears to hear your Word, Lord!

*Worship Songs

"We Praise You"

Brandon Lake | Brian Johnson | Matt Redman | Phil Wickham

"Graves into Gardens"

Brandon Lake | Chris Brown | Steven Furtick | Tiffany Hudson

"No Longer Slaves"

Brian Johnson | Joel Case | Jonathan David Helser

Offering Prayer and Offertory

Scripture

Acts 15:1-29

Sermon

"Listen or Shout?"

Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey

* An Affirmation of Faith

UMH 888

Reflection

"You Remind Me"

Annalise Bush | Corey Voss | Jenna Bataller | Lee Bataller

Worship Team

Morning Prayer

Melanie Souder

The Lord's Prayer

*Benediction

Postlude



Thank you

Dear Church Family,

How grateful I am for the outpouring of love your spoken words, cards, helping hands, visits, and calls have given me during Michael's illness and death. Michael's sisters, bonus kids, and I have received much comfort by your many kindnesses. I am so glad that Michael found such a welcoming family when he came here to worship with me, joining, and then pitching right in to help wherever he could. One verse from Matthew's gospel rings in my ears when I hear about and remember Michael's love for all of you: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God (5:8). May God continue to bless you as we continue His work together.

Judy Adams



Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 16

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service/Livestream
 10:15 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage Zoom
 10:15 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom
 10:15 a.m. Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing
 10:30 a.m. Modern Worship Service/Livestream
 6:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Night: FH
 6:00 p.m. Junior Youth

Monday, August 17

1:00 p.m. "The Book" Club: Tri-X Room
 6:30 p.m. UMM Meeting: FH
 7:00 p.m. The Collective: Youth Council: Youth Room

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH
 7:00 p.m. PPSRC: Tri-X Room

Wednesday, August 19 Church Office Closed

12:00 p.m. Fellowship of Circumstance for Women:
 3:00 p.m. Love Unites: ESR
 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, August 20

5:00 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
 6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage

Friday, August 21

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

Saturday, August 22

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
 9:00 a.m. Sat. Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink
 2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson Home
 6:00 p.m. The Collective: Tabletop: Youth Rm
 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Attention Everyone!!

We invite you to **join us for second service, Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m.**, where you can witness the unfolding of the Great Commission!

Our youth are being taught to follow Jesus' call to make disciples, and we are blessed to see the fruit of that teaching as they grow in their faith and become disciples themselves.

EACH ONE, BRING ONE! is our new commitment to help build and grow our second service. Invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to come worship with us!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Pastor Brian & Pastor Becky

Next Sunday August 23, 2026
 Combined Service: 10:00am
 "Speak or Keep Silent?"
 Jeremiah 1:4-10; 20:7-11

Attendance:

August 9, 2026

In person:

108

9:00 a.m. Service

73

10:30 a.m. Service

35

Internet Live Streaming:

26

9:00 a.m. Service

19

10:30 a.m. Service

7

Tithes & Offerings:

Total One Fund:

\$ 9,249.77

Year to Date:

\$261,300.75

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:

\$ 0.00

Year to Date:

\$ 1,615.00

Roof Fund

Last Week:

\$ 300.00

Year to Date:

\$ 5,111.00

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Worship Assistants for August 16, 2026

August Ushers	9:00 a.m.: Jesse Barbour (Capt.), Steve Phillips, Bob Casey, John Pickin, Madison Felix 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, Elevate Youth
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Carmen Stupica 10:30 a.m.: Janet Coe
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: LaRose Richardson & Maude Casey 10:30 a.m.: *
Night Watchmen	8/16 Dallas Jenkins, 8/23 Bob Casey, 8/30 Steve Phillips

FUMCFH Ladies



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Snow Cone Sunday – August 23!

Join us next **Sunday, August 23**, the day before school starts, we'll celebrate Snow Cone Sunday. We will have a single, 10am service, followed by free snow cones in the parking lot afterwards. Feel free to invite friends, neighbors, and others to come!

Travel Plans

Pastor Brian will be out Monday-Wednesday, August 24-26. Shan will be at the IACA (International Association of Criminal Analysts) in St. Louis, and Brian will be joining her for part of the week.

The Next Faithful Step

The Next Faithful Step is our current series. We'll be looking at stories of people who were caught in a "pickle" to see how they navigated through it. The idea for the series is that we don't have to know it all – we only need to imagine and take the next faithful step.

Hampton Trustee's Gathering

Phoebus UMC's trustees will be offering a gathering of local trustees on **Saturday, August 29 at 9am**, to provide a chance for sharing information with each other.

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances will meet at **Mama Rosa's, on Wednesday, August 19, 12:00 noon**. Come join us for fellowship, food, and fun! **Give me a call, 757-344-4228, or email me (AUNTBONZO49@yahoo.com) by Monday, August 17**, whether or not you will be joining us! Looking forward to seeing you!

Bonnie Harper

Fifty Plus

Our **first planned outing of the 2026 – 27 season** is a trip to the **Surry Nuclear Power Plant Visitor Information Center** scheduled for **Thursday, September 17**. We'll have a tour then stop for a great lunch and return via the **Scotland – Jamestown Ferry**. Cost is \$5.00 plus your lunch.

And be sure to watch the First Fox Hill pubs to keep tab on activities as soon as they are published so you don't miss out. September and October will be here before you realize – opportunities on the horizon!

Contact Anne or Bill Bryan in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748. Please do so promptly.

Thank you, FUMC Fox Hill, for your generous spirit of giving!

We had a "beyond expectations" response to the request for school supplies for our partner school, Jones Magnet Middle. Many boxes and bags were packed to the brim and completely filled the back of an SUV. WOW!

We also received school supplies that were absolutely perfect for elementary-aged students, so we delivered those to our former partner school, Mary T. Christian (formerly known as Cary ES).

Kathy Fisher and Pat Leary, Helping Hands Team co-chairs, delivered the donations to Principal Dr. H. Brezinski on Wednesday, August 12. The school's open house is next week, and students return on August 24, so our much-needed donations are arriving at the perfect time.

Thank you to everyone who donated supplies or funds to purchase supplies, and to those who prayed for the success of this outreach.

Kathy Fisher and Pat Leary