



First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

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

Welcome

September 10, 2023



Matthew 5:13-18
“Salt of the Earth”

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September 10, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

"You are the salt of the earth."

Sprinkle us across our town, God,

And sprinkle us across our world,

May we bring the flavor of your Kingdom wherever we go.

* Hymn UMH 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Adult Class Recognition Faithlink, Tri-X Monday School, Searchers

Offering Prayer and Offertory

* Doxology UMH 71 "Glory Be to the Father"

* Hymn UMH 57 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (vss. 1-5)

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Lord, we confess that being salt for the world is not our preference. We'd prefer to be anonymous, insignificant, bland, or just happily sitting on the side than to be a key ingredient with an important role to play in the world, called to season, flavor, and shape our community. Give us feet to stand on, knees to not buckle, and grace to be who we are called to be, today, and tomorrow, for we pray in Jesus' name, 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.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Pastor Becky Holland

Anthem "10,000 Reasons"
Redman/Larson

Scripture Matthew 5:13-18

Sermon "Salt of the Earth" Pastor Brian

* Hymn UMH 526 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (vss. 1, 2)

* Benediction Pastor Brian

Dear Lord, thank you for choosing your church to be your salt in the world. Help us find people around us who need saltiness in their lives. We join hands to go look for them. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

* Benediction Response UMH 526 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (vs. 3)

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able



- John Biondolillo: Mark Biondolillo's brother
- Sue Hughes: placed in Hospice; would appreciate phone calls and visits

We continue to pray for our housebound, those with chronic conditions that may require ongoing treatment, and those unspoken prayers.

Tribe VS. Maine

Our church has been invited to William & Mary for a football game on **Saturday, September 23rd**. The game starts at 3:30 p.m. and tickets are **only \$10** for our church. They can be purchased at this link: <https://fevogm.com/event/firstumcfohill>

We would also like to carpool so that we can get those who would like to attend, but are unable to drive to get there! If you would like to offer space in your car or if you need a ride, please contact Larissa Luma (757) 550-1688 or larissa@firstumcfohill.org.

Coming Soon!!!



Oct 12, 2pm

September 10, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Modern Service

Prelude

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Promotion Sunday

Rise Children's Ministry: grades K-2 and 3-5, Faithlink Class, Tri-X Monday School, Searchers' Class

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* Songs

"He is Faithful"

Brian & Katie Torwalt

"This is Amazing Grace"

Phil Wickham

"Forever"

Kari Jobe

Offering Prayer and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Becky Holland

Scripture

Matthew 5:13-18

Sermon

"Salt of the Earth"

Pastor Brian

Reflection

"No Longer Slaves"

Worship Team

Bethel Music

* Benediction

Pastor Brian

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Announcements

Sunday School Promotion is today!

During the 10:30 service this morning, we will be doing a special promotion for our Sunday School class. We will be beginning an official Sunday school class for Grades 3-5 and starting a more traditional class for K-2. Come early (or stay late) to meet the new teachers and celebrate with the children. Our adult classes are also invited to "promote" their classes by sharing their accomplishments and leaders. Starting September 17, grades K – 5 will be encouraged to join their classes from 10:30-11:15, and adult classes can either return to beginning at 10:15 or keep the 10:30 start time.

On Call Pastor

Pastor Brian will be out of town for Cassie Ardern's wedding in Michigan from Monday to next Sunday evening (September 17). Since Pastor Tommy is also out of town with his family in the Outer Banks, Pastor Eric Vaudt (Fox Hill Central UMC) has agreed to be on call. In case of a pastoral need, he can be reached via his cell number at 757-759-7484.

We're Growing

Elevate youth is slowly but surely growing, and with that, we've decided to split up our middle and high school into two separate Bible Studies. Our safe sanctuary procedures require that we have two adults present at each youth meeting, so we are looking for someone that would be willing to help facilitate our High School Bible Study which will take place on Thursdays **from 7-8:30**. That could look like whatever you want it to--you could lead the study or just be a second pair of eyeballs to lovingly watch over some really amazing students. If you have any interest in joining us, please contact Larissa Luma (757) 550-1688 or larissa@firstumcfoxhill.org. Thanks!

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances will meet **Wednesday, September 20, 12:00 noon** at **County Grill on Mercury Blvd.** We enjoyed it so much last month it was decided to go there again (there are a few more things we want to try - such as hot potato salad). **Give me a call or email by Monday, September 18**, whether or not you will be joining us! Gboone2@cox.net or: 757-851-3109. Thanks, Evelyn

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 10

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional 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. Modern Service: In-Person & Livestream
- 12:30 p.m. Venture Crew 1151 Merit Badge Day: FH Stage
- 6:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Fellowship: Ed Wing 2nd Fl
- 6:30 p.m. Shepherds Ministry Meeting: Tri-X Room

Monday, September 11

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Stage
- 10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School
- 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting: ESR
- 7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting: Tri-X Room

Tuesday, September 12

- 9:30 a.m. Fifty Plus Outing: Brock Environmental Center
- 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH
- 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, September 13

- 9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
- 4:00 p.m. Love Unites: Faithlink Room
- 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Middle School Bible Study: Ed Wing
- 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice: Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, September 14

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Stage
- 11:00 a.m. Pastor Tommy's Reunion Group
- 4:30 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
- 6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1051G: FH Kitchen
- 7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth High School Bible Study: Ed Wing

Friday, September 15 Anchor Newsletter Deadline

- 9:30 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink
- 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting: Ed Wing

Saturday, September 16

- 9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Prayers: Faithlink Room
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal: Vocalists

Next Sunday

September 17, 2023

Larissa Luma

Luke 19:1-10



"Zacchaeus, You Come Down"

Fifty Plus Updated Info

Tuesday, Sep 12, Fifty Plus outing to Brock Environmental Center, Virginia Beach. Last call; if you still want to go and haven't signed up, check to see if there are any spots left. We will **meet at church at 9:30 am, Tuesday.** Please don't be late; no telling how the HRBT will be. We will stop to eat after our tour, **cost is just \$8.00 including a donation to the CBF.**

Don't miss our **Tuesday, October 10, sightseeing harbor tour** on the newly renovated *Hampton Queen*. This **two-hour tour** covers over 20 points of interest and over 400 years of history from the founding of Jamestown in 1607 to current Norfolk Naval Base. The *Hampton Queen* is climate controlled for your comfort and has some great outdoor space to enjoy the harbor breezes. Some highlights of the tour include Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Hampton University, The VA Medical Center, Fort Monroe and Fort Wool, Old Point Comfort Lighthouse, and more! Afterwards we will stop for lunch. **Price is just \$28 plus your lunch afterwards.**

Contact Anne or Bill Bryan to sign-up – in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

Last Week's Attendance 9/03/2023

<u>In person</u>	<u>140</u>
9:00 a.m. Service	103
10:30 a.m. Service:	37
Sunday School:	61
<u>Internet Live Streaming</u>	<u>103</u>
9:00 a.m.:	57
10:30 a.m.:	46

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund:	\$ 12,039.95
Year to Date:	\$ 367,475.16

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:	\$ 122.00
Year to Date:	\$ 2,268.10

Worship Assistants for September 10, 2023

Service Time	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
September Ushers	Jesse Barbour (Capt.), Stephen Phillips, Bob Casey, John Pickin	Dave Sharp (Capt.), Evelyn Graybeal, Julianna McDonald, Mason Gilbert, Elijah Nadeau
Liturgist	David Messick	Andi Meyer-Orozco
Projection	Joey Meyer-Orozco	Ajaylen Wright
Sound & Lights	Tom Hite	Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco
Camera/Video	John Payne	Mary Parker
Livestream	Jim Branstetter	Jim Branstetter
Ambassadors	9/10 Joann Smith & Anne Bryan 9/17 LaRose Richardson & Lisa Hite	9/10 Judy Adams 9/17 Lynn Landrum
Night Watchmen	9/10 Fred Foster, 9/17 Jesse Barbour, 9/24 Ron Mayo	