

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOX HILL

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023



Psalm 118 & Matthew 28: 1-10
“All Creation Will Join the Celebration”

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April 9, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Service

Prelude "Easter Joy" Wesley Bell Ensemble
Buckwalter

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say,
God's steadfast love endures forever!
Let the house of Aaron say,
God's steadfast love endures forever!
Let those who fear the LORD say,
God's steadfast love endures forever!

* Hymn UMH 310 "He Lives"
Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offertory

* Doxology UMH 95 "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
* Hymn UMH 308 "Thine Be the Glory"

Prayer of Confession

Jesus' resurrection happened quickly, but it took time for his disciples to understand it. Likewise, our adoption as forgiven children of God happens in an instant and yet it takes a lifetime to live into. Forgive us our impatience when we want you to "fix" us but grow weary of the hard work of transformation. Help us to become patient with You, each other, and ourselves so that you can use us as instruments of transformation for others, 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 & Lord's Prayer

Pastor Tommy

Anthem "Jesus Shall Reign" 1st Fox Hill Family Choir
Hatton/Williams

Scripture Psalm 118 (UMH 839 Response 2) & Matthew 28: 1-10 Mark Biondolillo, Cantor

Sermon "All Creation Will Join the Celebration" Pastor Brian

* Hymn UMH 364 "Because He Lives" (vss. 1, 2)

* Benediction Pastor Brian

Happy Easter! Christ is Risen!
May the Lord bless us and the world through us! Christ is risen indeed!

* Benediction Response UMH 364 "Because He Lives" (vs. 3)

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Easter Lily Dedications

Table with 2 columns: In Honor Of / In Memory Of and Given By. Rows include Rob Parker, Our Pastors, Mom, Dad, & Big Bro, Our Parents, Ken Bernstrom, Our Parents: Ben & Roselee Johnson, Fred & Jackie Eubank, Bud Harper, Pat Parker, Jennifer & Mike Williams, Dave Sharp, Jane & Jesse Barbour, Jean Bernstrom, Brian & Marilyn Eubank, Sr., Bonnie Harper.



April 9, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Modern Service

Prelude		
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* Songs	"This is Amazing Grace" Phil Wickham "God So Loved" We the Kingdom "Cornerstone" Hillsong Worship	Children of 1st Fox Hill & Worship Team
Offering Prayer and Offering		
Children's Time		Pastor Brian
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Pastor Tommy
Scripture	Psalm 118 (UMH 839) & Matthew 28: 1-10	
Sermon	"All Creation Will Join the Celebration"	Pastor Brian
Reflection	"Thank you Jesus for the Blood" Charity Gale	Worship Team
* Benediction		Pastor Brian
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From Pastor Brian:

Confirmation

Confirmation is taking a break this week for Easter – we'll be back April 16. Thanks to all who blessed us on our field trip last week!

An Inside Job

As we come to the close of our current sermon series, we will be opening a new one at the end of April – "An Inside Job," which will look at the role of the Holy Spirit in achieving personal and community transformation.

April 23

Pastor Becky and I will be out of the area on April 20-24 to work with our Navajo pastor partners. While I am out, Jane Barbour will bring the Sunday word. Please pray for our journey, and for Jane as she brings a powerful word.



- George Ledford: Brother of Donna Fleenor
- Jessica & Willow; Ranny Watterton
- Clifton Heath
- Brett Palko
- Chris Bartlett & family
- Gayle Landon

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 9 Easter Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service: In-Person & Livestream
- 9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Small Group: Ed Wing 2nd Floor
- 10:15 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom
- 10:15 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage & Zoom; Passcode: 000846
- 10:30 a.m. Modern Worship Service: In-Person & Livestream
- 11:30 a.m. Children's Easter Egg Hunt
- 6:30 p.m. Shepherds Ministry Meeting: Tri-X Room

Monday, April 10 Church Office Closed

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Stage
- 10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School: Tri-X Room
- 1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study Group: Tri-X Room
- 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting: ESR
- 7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting: Tri-X Room

Tuesday, April 11

- 9:00 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink Room
- 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, April 12 Church Office Closed at 12 p.m.

- 9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
- 4:00 p.m. Love United: Faithlink Room
- 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice: Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, April 13

- 10:00 a.m. UWF Mission Sisters: FH Stage
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Kitchen
- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Ambassador Meeting: Choir Room

Friday, April 14

- 5:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting: ED Wing

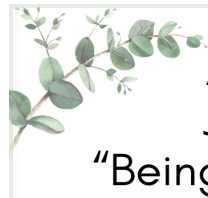
Saturday, April 15 Anchor Newsletter Deadline

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

Next Sunday

April 16, 2023
John 20: 19-31

"Being Seen Is Believing"



Musical Guest
Mark Kroos
 Double-Neck Guitar Virtuoso
 in Concert
 Next Sunday, April 16, 2:30 PM.

Mark will also be with us for both services that morning. You won't want to miss this concert!



The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances will meet Wednesday, April 19, 12:00 noon at Olive Garden. Let me know before Monday whether or not you will be joining us! Gboone2@cox.net or Phone: 757-851-3109.

Thanks, Evelyn

Singles Lunch Group

Our next get together for the Singles group will be on April 23rd at 11:30 AM. We will meet at Olive Garden (1049 W Mercury Blvd). If you have questions please feel free to call Beth Hughes at 757-719-3281. Hope to see you there!!!!

Last Week's Attendance 4/02/2023

<u>In person</u>	<u>152</u>
9:00 a.m. Service	116
10:30 a.m. Service:	36
Sunday School:	70
<u>Internet Live Streaming</u>	<u>116</u>
9:00 a.m.:	66
10:30 a.m.:	50

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund:	<u>\$ 17,055.51</u>
Year to Date:	<u>\$ 138,674.94</u>

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:	<u>\$ 187.00</u>
Year to Date:	<u>\$ 754.00</u>

Worship Assistants for April 9, 2023

Service Time	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
April Ushers	Jesse Barbour (Capt.), Stephen Phillips, Bob Casey, John Pickin	Dave Sharp (Capt.), Evelyn Graybeal, Julianna McDonald, Mason Gilbert, Elijah Nadeau
Liturgist	Hunter Francis	Andi Meyer-Orozco
Projection	Mary Parker	Ajaylen Wright
Sound & Lights	Tom Hite	Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco
Camera/Video	John Payne/Callum McDonald	Mike Williams
Livestream	Jim Branstetter	Rama Clement
Ambassadors	4/9 Joann Smith & Anne Bryan 4/16 LaRose Richardson & Lisa Hite	4/9 Judy Grigg 4/16 Lynn Landrum
Night Watchmen	4/9 Dave Rogers, 4/16 Joey Meyer-Orozco, 4/23 Calvin Leary	