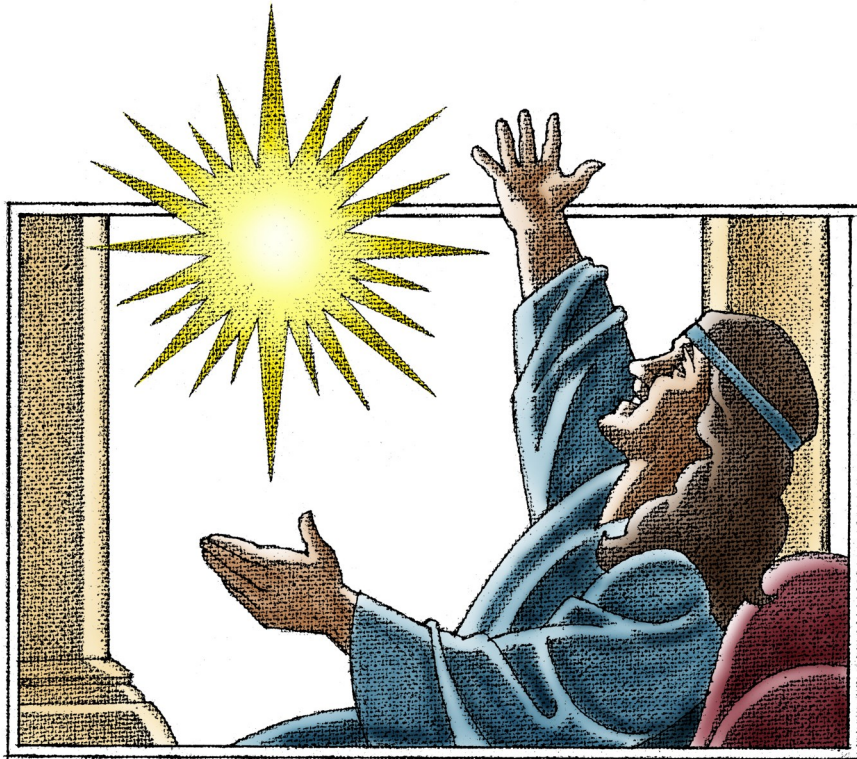




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And Samuel said,

**“Speak, for your
servant is listening.”**

1 Samuel 3:10, NRSV

“Opening Ears to Hope”

January 17, 2021

1 Samuel 3:1-10

January 17, 2021 Worship Service

Prelude	"Here I Am, Lord" <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>	Schutte
Call to Worship	Mark Biondolillo	
	The Lord is good! God's steadfast love endures forever!	
	Let us listen to what God has to say to us!	
Hymn	UMH 530	"Are You Able" <i>Mark Biondolillo</i>
Children's Time	Leah Graybeal	
Offering/Witness	Leah Graybeal	
Hymn	W&S 3008	"Open the Eyes of My Heart" <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>
Prayer of Confession	Pastor Tommy	
	Lord, your inspired word speaks of a time in Israel's history when visions were rare and people did not listen to you. Are we in such a time ourselves today? It seems that listening ears are rare and shouting voices frequent. It seems that visions of gathering people together to see God's glory are rare and fevered imaginations of getting our way over our enemies are frequent. Help us, Lord. Help us to listen. Help us to see. Help us to walk with you and away from the violence of our days, so that we can love others as Jesus has loved us, for we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.	
Words of Assurance	Pastor Tommy	
	In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, Glory be to God! Amen.	
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Tommy	
Lord's Prayer	Larissa Luma	
Special Music	"Majesty" <i>Praise Band</i>	James
Scripture	I Samuel 3:1-10	James Bly
Sermon	"Opening Ears to Hope"	Pastor Brian
Statement of Faith	UMH 881	Apostles' Creed Mike Williams
Hymn	UMH 451	"Be Thou My Vision" <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>
Postlude	UMH 398 Mark Biondolillo	"Jesus Calls Us"

Last Week's Attendance 1/10/2021			
8:30 a.m. Service	11:00 a.m. Service	Sunday School	Internet Live Streaming
Online Only	Online Only	42	208
Last Week's Tithes and Offerings			
Total One Fund		Pastor's Discretionary Fund	
Last Week:	9774.30	Last Week:	110.00
Year to Date:	10,224.30	Year to Date:	110.00

January 2021		
Worship Assistants	8:30 a.m.	11 a.m.
Ushers	Calvin Leary (Capt.), Dan Brookman, Bill Drummond, Jean Pickin, Mike May	Ramazani Clement (Capt.), Hannah Rivera
Liturgist	James Bly	Sandy Williams
Sound & Lights	N/A	N/A
Projection	N/A	N/A
Camera / Video Mix	N/A	N/A
Night Watchmen	1/3 - Hunter Francis, 1/10 - Dave Rogers, 1/17 - Calvin Leary, 1/24 - Fred Foster, 1/31 - Jesse Barbour, 2/7 - Ron Mayo, 2/14 - Brian Eubank, 2/21 - Tom Hite, 2/28 - Nathan Graybeal	



**It's hard to throw stones
if you are busy washing feet.
Keep loving people like Christ.**

— Luke Lezon



Our Healthy Church Team is watching the news and keeping up to date with the COVID-19 situation in Hampton and across the state.

In light of the Governor's moves towards lowering the rate of COVID-19 transmission, we are continuing the course we are on for a while. Groups under 10 are invited to meet in person as they desire, and we will continue to offer weekly worship online. The rate of transmission has been heading the wrong direction since Thanksgiving. Just earlier this week, 1 out of 4 people tested for COVID-19 in Hampton were testing positive (25%). In comparison, when we opened in the summer and fall, Hampton was at 6%. Numbers are finally beginning to trend down, however, and we are praying that we can open by Ash Wednesday (February 17). If you want to watch the numbers yourself, the source of our information is here: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/key-measures/pandemic-metrics/locality-metrics/> You will need to select Hampton City to get the rate for our area.

I (Pastor Brian) thank you for all your prayers, cards, well wishes, and support during this pandemic, and on my birthday. We have a loving congregation, and it has been hard on everyone. When you go into public, please continue wearing your masks, and when you can get vaccinated, please do so. We care about your souls, which means we care about what happens in your life.

OC Brite	1/17
Thomas Carroll	1/17
Kimberley Overby	1/17
J. D. Triplett	1/18
Jennifer Day	1/18
Theresa Embler	1/18
Amy Kinser	1/18
Kimberly Gaskins	1/18
Sam Hoyt	1/19
Daniel Golden	1/19
James Dilley	1/21
Sam Snow	1/21
Evon Ferrell	1/21
Sara Moon	1/22
Billy King, Jr.	1/22
Ron Kravitz	1/22
Dennis Lee	1/22
Karmen Walden	1/23
Charley Winston	1/23
John Kravitz	1/23
Erin Malinowski	1/23

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| Ron & Debbie Charlton      | 1/18 |
| Jennifer & Travis Mitchell | 1/23 |





Verna Thibeault, mother of Laura Scott  
Tammy, daughter-in-law of Joyce Winston  
Bonnie Harper  
Wanda Kissinger  
Joan Spunzo  
Larissa and Seth Luma  
Bert Soto, friend of Joyce Winston's niece  
Chris Bartlett  
Patrick Parker  
Joann Smith and Richard Shearer  
Don and Bonnie Hulton  
Mary Branch  
Richard and Kathy Palette



We extend our condolences to Bonnie Harper and the family and friends of Bud Harper, who died on Thursday, January 7, 2021. A memorial service with Navy Honors and Elks Rites will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 16 at Hampton Memorial Gardens.

We also send our sympathies to Wanda Kissinger and her family in the death of her mother on Friday, January 8, 2021.

## **Volunteers Needed For January "A Night's Welcome"**

The next date for First UMC Fox Hill to serve at A Night's Welcome is Friday, January 22, 5:30 p.m., to Saturday, January 23, at 8 a.m.

The first two times serving at A Night's Welcome went very well thanks to the members of FUMCFH. As you are probably aware, A Night's Welcome is being held at one location — Central United Methodist Church, 225 Chapel Street. Area churches are still providing volunteers for registration, serving meals, and staying overnight. Meals are cooked off-site and served in disposable containers. Each host church provides volunteers and meals once per month. The 2021 dates for FUMCFH to serve are Fridays, January 22, February 26, and March 26.

David Rogers is coordinating meals, and Julie Allen is coordinating on-site volunteers. Contact Julie Allen with questions or for more information by calling 757-329-1625 or by emailing her at [juliananceallen@icloud.com](mailto:juliananceallen@icloud.com).

## **Second Monday Bible Study Begins Next Week**

Due to the Governor's orders to keep meetings under 10, Pastor Brian will add an additional Monday Bible Study group starting January 18. One gathering will meet at 10 a.m., while the other will continue to meet at 1 p.m.

Both groups will be studying the same passages (currently at Romans 11:25) and have the same basic format. Both will meet in the stage side of the Fellowship Hall.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

### Sunday, January 17

#### Note Schedule Changes

- 8:30 a.m.      **Livestream** [Worship Service](#)  
9:45 a.m.      In-Person Bible 201 Sunday School  
9:45 a.m.      In-Person Faithlink Sunday School (FH)  
9:45 a.m.      **Zoom** [Faithlink](#) Class  
                    Password: Faithlink  
9:45 a.m.      **Zoom** [Searchers](#) Class  
11:00 a.m.     **Livestream** [Worship Service](#)

### Monday, January 18

#### Martin Luther King Day

#### Church Offices Closed

- 10:00 a.m.     Tri-X Monday School (Tri-X)  
10:00 a.m.     Monday Bible Study Group A (FH)  
1:00 p.m.      Monday Bible Study Group B (FH)

### Tuesday, January 19

- 8:00 a.m.      Facilities Team Breakfast and Work Day  
10:00 a.m.     Shawl Makers (ESR)  
5:00 p.m.      Zoom Worship Planning Team  
6:30 p.m.      Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting (FH)  
7:00 p.m.      Scouts BSA Troop 151 Meeting (FH)

### Wednesday, January 20

- 10:00 a.m.     **Zoom** [Soul Sisters](#) Wednesday Morning Bible Study  
                    Password: Jesus  
7:00 p.m.      Buckroe New Hope AA Group Meeting (FH - Stage)

### Thursday, January 21

- 9:30 a.m.      Trustees Meeting  
11 a.m.        Reunion Group Meeting (Pastor Tommy's Office)  
8:00 p.m.      **Zoom** [MOPS](#) Meeting

### Friday, January 22

- 6:00 p.m.      BSA Venture Crew 1151 Meeting (FH- Kitchen)  
6:00 p.m.      Buckroe New Hope AA Group Meeting (FH - Stage)  
6:30 p.m.      Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting (Education Wing)

### Saturday, January 23

- 9:30 a.m.      Buckroe Men's AA Group (FH)



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