First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

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

Welcome September 3, 2023



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September 3, 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 370 "Victory in Jesus"

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offertory

* Doxology UMH 71 "Glory Be to the Father"

* Hymn UMH 367 "He Touched Me"

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Tommy

Baptismal Covenant 1 UMH 33 Andrew Blackmon, New Member

Special Music "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" Piano/Organ Duet

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Scripture Leviticus 2:13 & Numbers 18:19-24

Sermon "Salty Origins" Pastor Brian

Invitation to the Table UMH 12

Prayer of Confession

Passing the Peace

The Great Thanksgiving Musical Setting "C"

Lord's Prayer Pastor Tommy

The Lord's Supper

Prayer after Communion

* Hymn UMH 504 "The Old Rugged Cross" (vss. 1-3)

* 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 504 "The Old Rugged Cross" (vs. 4)

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Scripture (NRSV)

Leviticus 2:13

You shall not omit from your grain offerings the salt of the covenant with your God; with all your offerings you shall offer salt.

Numbers 18:19-24

All the holy offerings that the Israelites present to the LORD I have given to you, together with your sons and daughters, as a perpetual due; it is a covenant of salt forever before the LORD for you and your descendants as well. Then the LORD said to Aaron: You shall have no allotment in their land, nor shall you have any share among them; I am your share and your possession among the Israelites. To the Levites I have given every tithe in Israel for a possession in return for the service that they perform, the service in the tent of meeting. From now on the Israelites shall no longer approach the tent of meeting, or else they will incur guilt and die. But the Levites shall perform the service of the tent of meeting, and they shall bear responsibility for their own offenses; it shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations. But among the Israelites they shall have no allotment, because I have given to the Levites as their portion the tithe of the Israelites, which they set apart as an offering to the LORD. Therefore I have said of them that they shall have no allotment among the Israelites.

September 3, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Modern Service

Prelude

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* Call to Worship

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* Songs "House of the Lord"

Phil Wickham

"My Testimony"

Elevation Worship

"Cornerstone"

Hillsong Worship

Offering Prayer and Offering

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Tommy

Scripture Leviticus 2:13 & Numbers 18:19-24

Sermon "Salty Origins" Pastor Brian

Invitation to the Lord's Table Blessing over the Meal The Lord's Supper Lord's Prayer

Reflection "Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"

Gateway Worship

* Benediction Pastor Brian

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Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17

- 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.

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Sunday School Promotion September 10! On September 10, we will have a special promotion Sunday at the beginning of the 10:30 service. 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) for snacks in the Narthex, and to meet the new teachers and celebrate 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.

Thank You!!

Thank you for your generous donations of plastic bags!! The bags are used to crochet mats for the homeless. It takes at least 500 bags to make a mat so keep them coming!!

Mary Johnson

children's ministry

wants to invite you to our Sunday School Kickoff!

GRADES K-2 & 3-5

Classes will be meeting during our 10:30 a.m. modern worship service. A reception will follow the service out in the playground!

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FIRSTUMCFOXHILL.ORG/RISE

Announcements Continued...

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!

United Methodist Women

There will be a women's Tea **Thursday, September 7th at 10:00 a.m.** held in the church's Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite teacup or mug, wear a fancy or funny hat, even gloves. First Fox Hill United Methodist Women are starting back up again for a new year. For more information see Lisa Hite or Claudine Womble our email at hitelw@gmail.com or claudinebw59@gmail.com

Soul Sisters

Soul Sisters will start meeting again, after our summer break, on **Wednesday, September 6, at 9:30 a.m**. in the Faithlink room. We will be continuing our study of Corinthians. Hope to see you there!!

Fifty Plus Updated Info

We are limited to 24 individuals for our September 12 tour of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) Brock Environmental Center in Virginia Beach. The Center is an innovative example of environmentally sensitive and smart building—among the first in the nation to embrace energy and water independence—and advances CBF's efforts to defend the Chesapeake Bay. Elevated 14 feet above sea level, it is also a prototype for coping with climate change in a region increasingly prone to flooding. Afterward we will stop for lunch. In addition to your meal, 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.

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/firstumcfoxhill

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@firstumcfoxhill.org.

Thanks!!

Thanks to all of you who donated school supplies. I took them to the school on Tuesday and they were very pleased to get them. I am sure Sybil Gordon, the family engagement specialist, will send a thank you note, but I also want to add my thanks. Betty Knaub

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! <u>Gboone2@cox.net</u> or: 757-851-3109.

Thanks, Evelyn

Saturday Morning Prayer Group

We meet **Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m**. in the Faithlink Room. Join us and enjoy a great time of fellowship to start off your weekend. If you have any questions contact Jane Barbour or Becky Holland.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 3

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service: In-Person & Livestream

10:15 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom

10:15 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage & Zoom Passcode: 000846

10:30 a.m. Modern Service: In-Person & <u>Livestream</u>6:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Fellowship: Ed Wing 2nd Fl

Monday, September 4 Labor Day Church Office Closed

10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Stage

Tuesday, September 5

10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Tri-X Room

6:30 p.m. Children's Ministry Meeting (Rise): Tri-X Room

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, September 6

9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
4:00 p.m. Love Unites: Faithlink Room
5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall Meeting: Tri-X Room

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 7

10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Kitchen

10:00 a.m. UMW Thursday Morning Circle: 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 Kitchen7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Bible Study: Ed Wing 2nd Fl

Friday, September 8

9:30 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink

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

6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room

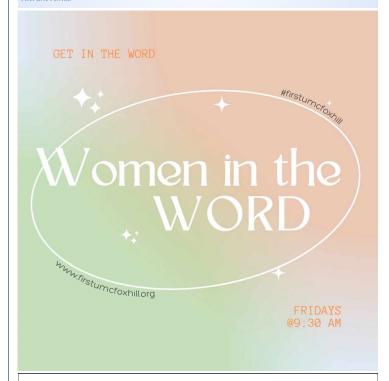
6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Brownies (Troop 1038) Meeting: Ed Wing

Saturday, September 9

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Prayers: Faithlink Room

7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal: Vocalists

Next Sunday September 10, 2023 Matthew 5:13-18 "Salt of the Earth"



Last Week's Attendance 8/27/2023

In person	<u>123</u>
9:00 a.m. Service	91
10:30 a.m. Service:	31
Sunday School:	68
Internet Live Streaming	<u>135</u>
9:00 a.m.:	86
10:30 a.m.:	32

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund: \$ 6,591.11
Year to Date: \$ 355,085.21

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$ 30.00 Year to Date: \$ 2,146.10

Worship Assistants for September 3, 2023		
Service Time	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
September	Jesse Barbour (Capt.), Stephen Phillips, Bob Casey,	Dave Sharp (Capt.), Evelyn Graybeal, Julianna
Ushers	John Pickin	McDonald, Mason Gilbert, Elijah Nadeau
Liturgist	David Messick	Andi Meyer-Orozco
Projection	Mary Parker	Ajaylen Wright
Sound & Lights	Jim Bly	Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco
Camera/Video	John Payne	Mike Williams
Livestream	Jim Branstetter	Jim Branstetter
Ambassadors	9/3 Fred & Kay Foster	9/03 Lynn Landrum
	9/10 Joann Smith & Anne Bryan	9/10 Judy Adams
Night Watchmer	9/3 Calvin Leary, 9/10 Fred Foster, 9/17 Jesse Barbou	ır