

First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

Sunday, October 18, 2026



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

“The Depth of Generosity” Matthew 22:15-22

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

October 18, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Though there are rulers, presidents, kings, and queens; God is the Lord of all life.

In God we live and move and have our being.

God requires our faithfulness and our service.

We reach out to others with the same love with which God has touched our lives.

Come, let us worship the Lord who is always with us.

Let us praise God who walks daily by our side!

*Hymn	UMH 128	“He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought”
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Children’s Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

Stewardship Moment		Mary Parker
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*Doxology	UMH 95	“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”
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*Hymn	UMH 121	“There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy”
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Prayer of Confession

O God, we seek you, and yet we hide from you. At times we draw near, and at other times we move away.

If we are honest, we sometimes prefer darkness to light; despair to hope; confusion to clarity. Help us receive the call to rebirth as a gift and open our hearts and minds to the Spirit that makes all things new. Through 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.

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Becky Holland
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Lord’s Prayer

Anthem	“Lead Me, Lord” Young	First Fox Hill Family Choir
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Scripture	Matthew 22:15-22	
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Sermon	“The Depth of Generosity”	Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey
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*Hymn	UMH 89	“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (vss. 1-3)
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*Benediction

*Benediction Response	UMH 89	“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (vs. 4)
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Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

October 18, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

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*Worship Songs

“Overcome”

Chris Brown | Mack Brock | Steven Furtick

“Rest on Us”

Brandon Lake | Elyssa Smith | Harvest Bashta | Jonathan Jay | Rebekah White | Tony Brown

“What a Beautiful Name”

Ben Fielding | Brooke Ligertwood

Offering Prayer and Offertory

Stewardship Moment

Mary Parker

Scripture

Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon

“The Depth of Generosity”

Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey

Reflection

“Goodness of God”

Worship Team

Ben Fielding | Brian Johnson | Ed Cash | Jason Ingram | Jenn Johnson

Pastoral Prayer

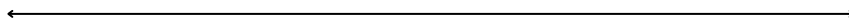
Rev. Becky Holland

The Lord’s Prayer

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.



Prayers for

Sours family
Sue & Jack Morehouse
Kassandra Brown

Betty Knaub
Nanci Browning
Brian Eubank, Sr.

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS



A Loss for our church family

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the Sours family on the passing of Shelby Sours on Wednesday, October 7, 2026.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, at Parklawn-Wood Funeral Home & Memorial Park, 2551 North Armistead Avenue, Hampton, VA 23666.

Further details will be shared as they become available.

Fruit From the Garden

We will have a mini-series in October – fruit from the garden, looking at Jesus' parables around how we bear fruit as disciples.

Laity Sunday

Sunday, October 25 will be both stewardship and laity Sunday. Laity Sunday is the service, usually in October, when the people of the church lead the entire service. Of course, every Sunday, our service could not happen without laity – from the liturgists, to the choir, to the a/v system, ushers, and the hundreds of things that require extra hands, we would not have a meaningful service, but Laity Sunday is a special date when we can experience together how much our people do and provide.

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, October 25 will also be stewardship Sunday. In addition to our annual pledge, when we consider our yearly giving to God through our church, we will also be offering a time and talents survey, where we can consider places to serve.

Women's Fellowship of Circumstances

~~The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances will meet at Mezcal, on Wednesday, October 21, 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, October 19, whether or not you will be joining us! Looking forward to seeing you! Bonnie Harper~~

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

Please consider participating in the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child by packing a Shoebox with small gifts and donating \$10.00. Each "Gospel Opportunity" Box seeks to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. As a follow-up recipients participate in a 12 lesson discipleship course. Over 12.2 million boxes packed worldwide in Jesus' name were delivered to 170 countries around the world in 2025. Of those, 40,511 were sent from the Virginia Peninsula area. Our church total was 42 boxes sent. See display in the Narthex mid-Oct for free boxes and label/donation envelopes. Please be sure to identify on the label the child's correct age and gender. **Returned filled boxes to the display table area no later than Sunday, Nov. 22, 2026.** For more information contact Mary Jane King 757-851-8628 or mjking757@gmail.com

Fifty Plus Announcement

Plan to join us on **Saturday afternoon, Dec 12**, when we will travel to **Williamsburg Community Chapel** for their presentation of **Praise**, a fun afternoon of Christmas music by their combined choirs and orchestra with some time for sing-along. We were invited by our long-time friend and past FUMCFH member Linda Poinsett who will be singing. Afterward we will stop to eat. **Price is just \$3 plus your meal.**

Coming in **January** will be our **annual breakfast**. Watch for details.

Mark your calendar! Coming on **Sunday afternoon, February 21**, will be the opportunity to experience **Come From Away, performed by Theatre CNU** in partnership with Virginia Stage Company. On September 11th, 2001, thirty-eight planes carrying nearly 7,000 passengers are diverted to the tiny town of Gander, Newfoundland. This acclaimed Broadway hit tells the remarkable true story of kindness in the face of crisis. With a soaring score and an ensemble cast playing dozens of characters, the play celebrates the generosity that can appear when we need it most. And reminds us how deeply connected we really are. **Don't miss out; reserve now! Cost is just \$12 plus your meal afterwards.**

Contact Anne or Bill Bryan with your ideas and for sign-ups. You can do so in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 18

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: Ice Cream Social
 6:00 p.m. Junior Youth: Ed Wing

Monday, October 19

10:00 a.m. Yoga Group: FH Stage
 1:00 p.m. "The Book" Club: Tri-X Room
 6:30 p.m. UMM Meeting: FH

Tuesday, October 20

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
 7:00 p.m. PPSRC: Tri-X Room

Wednesday, October 21

9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink
 12:00 p.m. Fellowship of Circumstance for Women: Mezeal
 12:00 p.m. Memorial Service: Shelby Sours: Parklawn
 4:30 p.m. Love Unites: ESR
 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice

Thursday, October 22

11:00 a.m. Hour of Prayer: Tri-X Room
 5:00 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
 6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage

Friday, October 23

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 Troop 1038 Meeting: ED Wing

Saturday, October 24

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
 9:00 a.m. Sat. Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink
 12:00 p.m. Blessing of the Pets: Pumpkin Patch
 2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson home
 6:00 p.m. The Collective: Tabletop: Youth Room

Attendance:

October 11, 2026

In person:

9:00 a.m. Service
 10:30 a.m. Service

Internet Live Streaming:

9:00 a.m. Service
 10:30 a.m. Service

Tithes & Offerings:

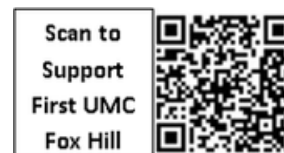
Total One Fund:
 Year to Date:

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:
 Year to Date:

Roof Fund

Last Week:
 Year to Date:



Worship Assistants for October 18, 2026

October Ushers	9:00 a.m.: Fred Foster (Capt.), Rick Nolin, Jeanne Chapman, *, * 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, Elevate Youth
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Jim Bly 10:30 a.m.: Melanie Souder
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: LaRose Richardson & Maude Casey 10:30 a.m.: *
Night Watchmen	10/18 Brian Eubank, 10/25 Ryan Tuttle 11/1 Mark Robinson

Next Sunday October 25, 2026
 Stewardship and Laity Sunday
 Ron Mayo preaching 9am
 Melanie Souder preaching 10:30

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JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL PUMPKIN PATCH OCT 17-31

MON TO FRI: 2 PM - 8:30 PM
 SATURDAY: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
 SUNDAY: NOON - 8:30 PM

10/24/26 12-2PM
 BLESSING OF THE PETS

