

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOX HILL

# Welcome

April 16, 2023



John 20: 19-31  
"Being Seen is Believing"

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**April 16, 2023, 9:00 a.m.  
Traditional Service**

Prelude Mark Kroos, Guest Guitar Soloist

Welcome and Announcements

\* Call to Worship  
 Praise the LORD, all you nations!  
**Worship him, all you peoples!**  
 For great is God's steadfast love toward us,  
**The faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**  
**Praise the LORD!**

\* Hymn UMH 304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offertory

\* Doxology UMH 95 "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

\* Hymn UMH 322 "Up From the Grave He Arose"

Prayer of Confession  
**Like Thomas, we sometimes put You in a box, Lord. We demand that you do for us what we want before we will believe in You, forgetting that we only hurt ourselves in so doing. Remind us that before we believed in You, You believed in us, enough to give us your son. May your love change our minds and hearts, for we ask 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

Special Music Mark Kroos, Guitar Solo

Scripture John 20: 19-31

Sermon "Being Seen is Believing" Pastor Brian

\* Hymn UMH 337 "Only Trust Him" (vss. 1-3)

\* 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 337 "Only Trust Him" (vs. 1)

Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able

| <b>Worship Assistants for April 16, 2023</b> |  |  |
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| <b>Service Time</b>                          | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>   | <b>10:30 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>April Ushers</b>                          | Jesse Barbour (Capt.), Stephen Phillips, Bob Casey, John Pickin      | Dave Sharp (Capt.), Evelyn Graybeal, Julianna McDonald, Mason Gilbert, Elijah Nadeau |
| <b>Liturgist</b>                             | Karen Tackett  | Andi Meyer-Orozco  |
| <b>Projection</b>                            | Mary Parker  | Ajaylen Wright   |
| <b>Sound &amp; Lights</b>                    | Hunter Francis   | Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco   |
| <b>Camera/Video</b>                          | John Payne/Callum McDonald   | Callum McDonald  |
| <b>Livestream</b>                            | Jim Branstetter  | Rama Clement   |
| <b>Ambassadors</b>                           | 4/16 LaRose Richardson & Lisa Hite<br>4/23 Nancy Geith & Joann Smith | 4/16 Lynn Landrum<br>4/23 Judy Grigg   |
| <b>Night Watchmen</b>                        | 4/16 Joey Meyer-Orozco, 4/23 Calvin Leary, 4/30 Fred Foster          |  |

April 16, 2023, 10:30 a.m.  
Modern Service

Mark Kroos, Guest Guitar Soloist

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| Prelude  |                                   |                         |
| Welcome and Announcements  |                                   |                         |
| * Call to Worship  |                                   |                         |
| Praise the LORD, all you nations!  |                                   |                         |
| <b>Worship him, all you peoples!</b>   |                                   |                         |
| For great is God's steadfast love toward us,                                   |                                   |                         |
| <b>The faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.</b>                           |                                   |                         |
| <b>Praise the LORD!</b>  |                                   |                         |
| * Songs  |                                   |                         |
|  | "Breathe On Us"                   |                         |
|  | Kari Jobe                         |                         |
|  | "God So Loved"                    |                         |
|  | We the Kingdom                    |                         |
|  | "Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King" |                         |
|  | Gateway Worship                   |                         |
| Offering Prayer and Offering   |                                   |                         |
| Children's Time  |                                   | Pastor Brian            |
| Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer  |                                   | Pastor Tommy            |
| Scripture  | John 20: 19-31                    |                         |
| Sermon   | "Being Seen is Believing"         | Pastor Brian            |
| Special Music  |                                   | Mark Kroos, Guitar Solo |
| * Benediction  |                                   | Pastor Brian            |
| Happy Easter! <b>Christ is Risen!</b>  |                                   |                         |
| May the Lord bless us and the world through us! <b>Christ is risen indeed!</b> |                                   |                         |
| Postlude   |                                   |                         |

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From Pastor Brian:  
**Confirmation**

Confirmation is back this evening, 6:30-7:15

**An Inside Job**

Our new series, "An Inside Job", begins today! We 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
- Clifton Heath
- Jessica & Willow; Ranny Watterton
- Brett Palko

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

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Dear Ladies of Martha's Ministry,

It is with humbleness and gratitude that I thank each of you for the lovely reception that was provided by Marth's Ministry. The warmth that was felt by those attending, and the favorable comments I received were phenomenal, and make me overwhelmingly proud to be a part of this group of loving ladies.

Chris Bartlett



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, April 16

- 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](#)
- 2:30 p.m. Special Music: Mark Kroos
- 5:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Fellowship: Ed Wing 2nd Floor
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class: Faithlink

### Monday, April 17

- 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. UMM Meeting: FH

### Tuesday, April 18

- 8:00 a.m. Facilities Team Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink Room
- 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Tri-X Room
- 1:00 p.m. Vibrant Worship: Tri-X Room
- 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, April 19

- 9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
- 12:00 p.m. Fellowship of Circumstance for Women: Olive Garden
- 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 20

- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Ambassador Meeting: Choir Room

### Friday, April 21

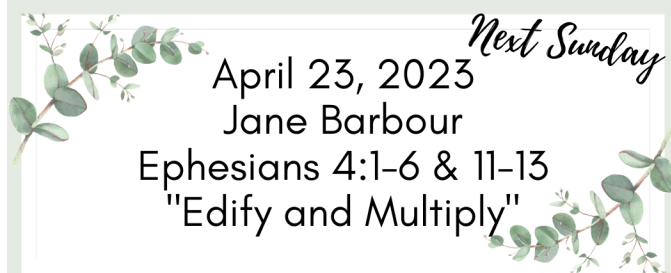
- 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Brownies (Troop 1038) Meeting: Ed Wing

### Saturday, April 22

- 9:00 a.m. Study of Jesus Following Easter: Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal: Vocalists

### First UMC Fox Hill Bake Sale

Please donate your favorite baked goods: Cake, Pie, Cookies, Bread, Homemade Candy, etc.! We will have tables set up in the back of the Fellowship Hall to receive your items for sale at the UMM Yard Sale. We thank you for your donations and you'll want to thank us for your tasty purchases. The funds received will go towards Missions. Contact Pat Parker at 757-869-8233 with any questions. Thank You!



### 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](mailto:Gboone2@cox.net) or Phone: 757-851-3109.

Thanks, Evelyn

### Singles Lunch Group

Our next get together for the Singles group will be next Sunday, 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!!!!

### Fifty Plus

The sign-up deadline for our **May 2 – 5, 2023 trip to Lancaster County, PA** has passed, but if you are still interested check with us and we'll put you on the waiting list in case of a cancellation.

Coming on **Sunday afternoon, June 4**, we will be attending the **Little Theatre of Virginia Beach** presentation of Agatha Christie's ***Murder on the Orient Express***. **We only have 30 seats** and this show is likely to sell out. Afterwards we'll stop for dinner. **Price is \$17 plus your meal.**

Ask your questions or make your reservations with Anne and Bill Bryan at [abandbb1@cox.net](mailto:abandbb1@cox.net), or by phone to 757-851-0748.

### Last Week's Attendance 4/09/2023

| <u>In person</u>               | <u>220</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| 9:00 a.m. Service              | 155        |
| 10:30 a.m. Service:            | 65         |
| Sunday School:                 | 62         |
| <u>Internet Live Streaming</u> | <u>135</u> |
| 9:00 a.m.:                     | 83         |
| 10:30 a.m.:                    | 52         |

### Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

| Total One Fund:                    | <b>\$ 6,019.03</b>   |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Year to Date:                      | <b>\$ 148,599.20</b> |
| <u>Pastor's Discretionary Fund</u> |                      |
| Last Week:                         | <b>\$ 55.00</b>      |
| Year to Date:                      | <b>\$ 809.00</b>     |