First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

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

Welcome July 16, 2023



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July 16, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

* Hymn UMH 140 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offertory

* Doxology UMH 70 "Glory Be to the Father"

* Hymn UMH 133 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Prayer of Confession

We should know better, but we still look for quick fixes, as if a pill, a program, a surgery, a single donation of time or effort could solve everything. We are like the people in the Psalm who say, "Oh that we could see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us!" But true faith lies in knowing that God has "put more gladness in my heart than when grain and wine abounds." Help us Lord, to continually, persistently, and devotedly seek your will in all of our lives so that your light can shine through us, even as your light shines within us. 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

Scripture Psalm 4

Sermon "Light Within" Pastor Brian

* Hymn UMH 600 "Wonderful Words of Life" (vss. 1, 2)

* Benediction Pastor Brian

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Amen

* Benediction Response UMH 600 "Wonderful Words of Life" (vs. 3)

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able



We extend our condolences to Kitty Lawrence and family in the death of her beloved husband, Ernie Lawrence, on Wednesday June 21, 2023.

A service to celebrate Ernie's life will be held this coming Saturday, July 22 at 11am, at First UMC Fox Hill. There will be a time for fellowship with a light reception for family and friends in the fellowship hall, prior to the service, at 10am, sponsored by Martha's Ministry.

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

* Songs FWS 2032 "My Life Is In You Lord"

FWS 2041 "Thou Art Worthy" (2x)

FWS 2056 "God Is So Good"

Offering Prayer and Offering

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Pastor Tommy

Scripture Psalm 4

Sermon "Light Within" Pastor Brian

Reflection FWS 2070 "He Is Exalted" (2x, then use Extended Ending)

* Benediction Pastor Brian

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Amen

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Announcements

The Navajo's are coming! In just a few weeks, we'll be hosting Pastor Evelyn Yazzie, along with Robert, Sharon, and Mariah Yazzie. To help us spiritually prepare, we will be holding a special prayer service Sunday, July 23 at 3pm. The service will take about an hour and will be focused mainly on praying for our guests and for our community to be blessed

Children's Ministry Gathering! For those who want to see more children's ministry, specifically on Sunday mornings, but also at regular times, we're planning an organizing/planning meeting. We'll have two dates - Tuesday July 25 and Wednesday July 26 (come to the date that works for you), both meetings at 7pm, Tri-X room. Even if you do not have children of your own, you are invited to come and help us plan for more and better ministry with children!

Potluck Update! It's been awhile since we had a meal together beyond communion, so we're planning to have one Sunday, August 6, following worship with our Navajo friends. We will provide fried chicken and invite everyone to bring salad or desert (or anything you'd like). If you would like to help with set up or clean up, please let Pastor Brian know.

Special Offering for Special Programs

Update on our early August four-day Navajo Partnership experience. We have collected about a quarter of the \$4500 we want to raise so this is a good time to help us meet out goal. Just designate your above and beyond offering for "Navajo Partnership". While here, our Navajo friends will participate with us in leading a community bible study, a special youth event, a community worship and revival service, an all-district United Methodist Women gathering, and a Navajo-lead Sunday worship service followed by a potluck lunch.

Thank You!

A big shout out to Jesse Barber and his team for working hard in the playground area to remove tree roots and debris and replacing the area with new mulch. It is looking really spiffy and much safer for our children! Thank you!

The Trustees

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances

The Women's Fellowship of Circumstances will meet on Wednesday, July 19, 12:00 noon at Longhorn Restaurant. Last month's weather was threatening and many of you decided not to take a chance, so we decided to try Longhorn again! (It was good!) Let me know by Monday (7/17) if you will be joining us!

Evelyn Boone – 757-851-3109 or e-mail gboone2@cox.net.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 16

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

Modern Service: In-Person & Livestream 10:30 a.m. Shepherds Ministry Meeting: Tri-X Room 6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 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

Tuesday, July 18

8:00 a.m. **Facilities Team Work Day**

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, July 19

Fellowship of Circumstance for Women: LongHorn 12:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. Love Unites: Faithlink Room

7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, July 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

Friday, July 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, July 22

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Stage 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Prayers: Sanctuary

Visitation/Reception: Lawrence family FH Kitchen 10:00 a.m.

Lawrence Celebration of Life 11:00 a.m.

2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson Home 17 Royston Dr

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

Next Sunday

July 23, 2023

Isaiah 42:5-10 & Matthew 5:14-16 "Light to Shine"

Fifty Plus

At 5 pm, Wednesday, August 16, we will gather for our now annual Potluck Picnic in the Park at Gosnold's Hope. This will be a chance to fellowship, eat, and plan our potential activities for the 2023 – 24 season. Watch the weekly bulletin and other regular announcements for updated information. What would you like to do; where would you like to go? Let us know right away so we can look into it. Contact Anne or Bill Bryan with your ideas – in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

Last Week's Attendance 7/09/2023

<u>In person</u>	<u>129</u>
9:00 a.m. Service	92
10:30 a.m. Service:	37
Sunday School:	62
Internet Live Streaming	<u>94</u>
9:00 a.m.:	59
10:30 a.m.:	35

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund: \$ 15,059.23 Year to Date: \$ 275,109.98

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$ 55.00 Year to Date: **\$ 1,697.10**

Worship Assistants for July 16, 2023		
Service Time	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
July Ushers	Calvin Leary (Capt.), Susan Morehouse, Jean Pickin, Bill	Dave Sharp (Capt.), Evelyn Graybeal, Julianna
	Drummond, Mike May	McDonald, Mason Gilbert, Elijah Nadeau
Liturgist	Ron Mayo	Susan Nadeau
Projection	Mary Parker	Ajaylen Wright
Sound & Lights	Hunter Francis	Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco
Camera/Video	John Payne	Rama Clement
Livestream	Jim Branstetter	Jim Branstetter
Ambassadors	7/16 Larose Richardson & Lisa Hite	7/16 Lynn Landrum
	7/23Nancy Geith & Joann Smith	7/23 Judy Adams
Night Watchmen	7/16 Ed Fly, 7/23 Dallas Jenkins, 7/30 Bob Casey	