

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FOX HILL

Welcome
July 25, 2021



“Transforming Gifts - Knowledge & Wisdom”
Proverbs 1:1-8

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Wisdom and knowledge keep us alive and growing,

No one knows everything, but we can know the One who does:

God teaches us: "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Therefore, we sit at the feet of the Lord today to seek knowledge!

* Hymn UMH 557 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

* Statement of Faith UMH 881 Apostles' Creed

Children's Time Pastor Brian

Offering Prayer and Offering

Prayer of Confession

Lord, when we think about knowledge and wisdom, we usually think with our heads. However, like all gifts of the Holy Spirit, these gifts require our hearts as well, because our calling is to love you with all that we have and are, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Paul wrote, "Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up." Forgive us when we use any good gift of yours to puff ourselves up. Enable us to use all your gifts to build others up, so that we can become more like Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance Pastor Tommy

In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, Glory be to God! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Pastor Tommy

Scripture Mark 5:22-42

Sermon "Transforming Gifts - Knowledge & Wisdom" Pastor Brian

Reflection "Praise the Lord " Organ Solo - Mark Biondolillo
Cesar Franck

* Hymn UMH 420 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

* Hymn UMH 186 "Alleluia, Alleluia"

Benediction Pastor Brian

Benediction Response UMH 349 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able. CCLI No. 692352, CSPL No. 114593

Pastor's Column

Looking Ahead: Sunday, August 1, 2021
1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Acts 2:1-6
Transforming Gifts - Tongues and Interpretation

Second Sundays!

Beginning in August, (on August 8), we will be making Second Sundays Special Sundays: Each month, we will encourage you to bring special people in your lives to be blessed in worship, followed by a reception in the fellowship hall where our pastors will meet with anyone who wishes to talk. Our special guests in August are "Essential Workers," who bore the brunt of work during the worst of the pandemic – everyone from grocery store, restaurants, postal service, delivery, and other workers. We will have invitation cards soon for you to use to invite the essential workers you are grateful for.

Healthy Church Update

We have been approved by our new DS to hold receptions for our congregation and small groups, to hold church-wide dinners that are prepared and served according to safe food handling practices, and to host meals for small groups. The only thing that has yet to be approved is to hold a church-wide potluck. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Brian. The current plan is to gain approval to host a potluck by late summer/early fall.

A loss 
IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our condolences to Jean Pickin and family in the death of her sister, Dola Mullen, on Monday, July 19, 2021.

Pray Continually
1 Thessalonians 5:17

- Charlotte - Joyce & Ed Fly's daughter-in-law
- Dan Brookman
- Jean Pickin and family
- Sharon Whitley and neighbor
- Rev Tweedy, the 4 Corners Ministry, and those in and around the reservation
- Hunter Francis
- Sanderson Family
- Jenkins Family
- Francis Seely
- Annelise Hecker
- Matt Bubb & family - friends of Betty Knaub
- Julio Aviles
- Collette Quinn's younger sister
- Larry, Pat Leary's father
- Laura Scott



- *New Ministry: Resurrection Hope Team
- *Men's Fellowship of Circumstance, July 28
- *50+ Potluck Picnic in the Park July 28
- *Music Ministry Campaign Meeting July 29 and Aug 19
- *Second Sundays: Starting August 8th
- *Lay Servant Academy Training Day, Aug 21
- *Safe Sanctuaries Training, Aug. 25 at 7p.m.
- *Photos of the body of the church for office

In Loving Memory

Memorial Service for Bob Richardson

There will be a memorial service for Bob Richardson on Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in our sanctuary.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Grow with us in Christ, learning we are loved, forgiven, and called to share the Good News and expand God's Kingdom

Sunday, July 25

- 8:45 a.m. [Searchers](#) Class: FH Stage &
Zoom: Passcode: 000846
- 8:45 a.m. [Faithlink](#) Class: Classroom &
Zoom: Password: Faithlink
- 10:00 a.m. [Worship Service](#) :
In-Person & [Livestream](#)

Monday, July 26

- 10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School: Tri-X
- 1:00 p.m. Daylight Bible Study: FH
- 6:30p.m. God and Church - Scouts

Tuesday, July 27

- 8:00 a.m. HALF Group: Tri-X
- 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
- 11:00 a.m. Bagging for Food Pantry
- 7:00 p.m. Scouts Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, July 28

- 12:00 p.m. Food Pantry
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship of
Circumstance
- 4:30 p.m. Love Unites: Praying Parents Rm
- 5:00 p.m. Fifty Plus Potluck Picnic:
Gosnold's Hope Park
- 7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group:
FH

Thursday, July 29

- 11:00 a.m. Pastor Tommy's Reunion
Group
- 5:30 p.m. Praise Band Worship Team
Rehearsal: Sanctuary
- 6:30 p.m. Communications Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Music Ministry Campaign
Meeting: Sanctuary

Friday, July 30

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

Saturday, July 31

- 9:30 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH
- 11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Bob
Richardson: Sanctuary

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, Aug. 21** Lay Servant Academy
- Wednesday, Aug. 25** Safe Sanctuaries
- Saturday, Sept. 18** UMM Annual Yard Sale
- Friday, Oct. 15** Pumpkins Arrive
- Oct. 16 - 31** Pumpkin Patch



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Last Week's Attendance 7/18/2021

10 a.m. Service:	<u>118</u>
Sunday School:	<u>50</u>
Internet Live Streaming:	<u>92</u>

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings

Total One Fund:	<u>\$ 5,802.33</u>
Year to Date:	<u>\$ 360,930.74</u>

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:	<u>\$ 45.00</u>
Year to Date:	<u>\$ 1,966.00</u>

Worship Assistants for July 25, 2021

Ushers: George Honeycutt (Capt.), Woody Wilson, Dave Rogers, Hunter Francis, & Scott Williams

Liturgist: Ron Mayo

Projection: 7/25 Lydia Simpson

Sound & Lights: 7/25 Hunter Francis

Camera/Video Mix: 7/4-7/25 Mary Parker & John Payne

Livestream/Recording: 7/25 Jim Branstetter

Night Watchmen: 7/25 Bill Drummond