



Welcome to First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

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

November 26, 2023



This Sunday

1 Peter 1:1-22 "Victorious Language"

Sunday's Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Traditional Service: In-Person/ <u>Livestream</u>
10:30 a.m.	Modern Service: In-Person/ <u>Livestream</u>
10:30 a.m.	Faithlink Class: Classroom
10:30 a.m.	<u>Searchers</u> Class: FH Stage
	Zoom Passcode: 000846
10:30 a.m.	Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing



• Les Ware

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

Announcements

Christmas Yard Signs

We have beautiful Christmas signs that can be placed in your yard to invite and encourage people to visit us over the holy-day season. You know you want one! Just ask Pastor Brian and it can be yours! Quantities are limited.

Navajo Travel Plans

Pastor Brian and Pastor Becky will be in Navajo country Nov. 28-December 4, helping to organize their Christmas missions, a mission team to restore the Window Rock church, and for pastor training. Please keep them in your prayers!

Youth Group Clean Up

Our youth group is growing and we need more space! We will be moving some of our group into the (much larger) middle school room. It has turned into a bit of a storage area so we ask that you please have all personal items or items for your group removed by December 29th. We will have a group cleaning out the room on December 30th at 3pm. There are a couple of heavy items to get out and we could use the help of some strong individuals! If you would like to help out please contact Larissa Luma at larissa@firstumcfoxhill.org.

Children's Choir

We will be having a children's choir sing at the 10am and 4pm Christmas services. If you would like to have your child, grandchild, or any other child in your life join us, we will be holding rehearsals on the following dates: 12/10 @ noon, 12/17 @ noon, 12/20 @ 6pm, 12/23 @ 6pm. If you have any questions please contact Larissa Luma at larissa@firstumcfoxhill.org.

November 26, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Service

Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		
* Call to Worship		
We come into the presence of the Lord not by our own merits, but through Jesus' gracious invitation. Speak your word in us, Lord, And bring us into life!		
* Hymn	UMH 154	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
Children's Time		Pastor Brian
Mission Celebration		
Offering Prayer and Offertory		
* Doxology	UMH 71	"Glory Be to the Father"
* Hymn	UMH 75	"All People That on Earth do Dwell"
Prayer of Confession		Jane Barbour
O God, you seem so far away. We want to act in ways that are right, but we find ourselves doing just the opposite. You are holy and we are flawed. You are strong and we are weak. You are merciful and we are unforgiving. Remove the sin that separates us from you; gather us into the arms of your mercy; and heal us through the One who is crucified and risen, 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.		
Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Jane Barbour
Anthem	"Lift Up Your Heads" Pote	First Fox Hill Family Choir
Scripture	1 Peter 1:1-22	
Sermon	"Victorious Language"	Pastor Brian
* Affirmation of Faith	UMH 881	Apostles' Creed
* Hymn	UMH 715	"Rejoice! The Lord Is King" (vss.1-3)
* Benediction		Pastor Brian
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of us. Amen.		
* Benediction Response	UMH 715	"Rejoice! The Lord Is King" (vs. 4)
Postlude		
*Please stand as you are able		

**ThanksGIVING Appreciation for our
FUMC Fox Hill Staff**

We are so thankful for our church staff! They give tirelessly behind the scenes to enrich our spiritual lives, preparing the message, a song, a bulletin, a beautiful musical selection or a powerful prayer. Other staff members provide a nurturing, safe place to leave our children during church services and special events, enhance the spiritual development of our youth, make sure all our bills are paid, and that the environment is clean and safe. Let's show our THANKS by GIVING to the Staff Christmas Bonus Fund from November 5 through December 17. Please make sure to note "Staff Christmas Bonus Fund" on your envelope or online donation.

Our staff are exceptionally talented and skilled, and Christmas is a wonderful time to show our THANKS by GIVING a little extra.
Sincerely, Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee

November 26, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Modern Service

Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		
* Call to Worship		
	We come into the presence of the Lord not by our own merits, but through Jesus' gracious invitation. Speak your word in us, Lord, And bring us into life!	
* Songs	W&S 3177 Tim Hughes	"Here I Am to Worship"
	W&S 3008 Paul Baloche	"Open the Eyes of My Heart"
	W&S 3003 Chris Tomlin	"How Great Is Our God"
Offering Prayer and Offering		
Mission Celebration		
Scripture	1 Peter 1:1-22	
Sermon	"Victorious Language"	Pastor Brian
* Affirmation of Faith	UMH 881	Apostles' Creed
Reflection	W&S 3102	"Amazing Love" (You Are My King)
Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Jane Barbour
* Benediction		Pastor Brian
	The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of us. Amen.	
Postlude		
	*Please stand as you are able	

Thank You

Thank you to all who prepared a Shoebox for Operation Christmas Child 2023. Our church collected 52 Shoeboxes that will bring great joy and the Good News of Jesus to boys and girls in need around the world. Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse will distribute them and offer a follow up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey. During the 30 years of this ministry 209 million Shoeboxes have been sent to 170 countries and territories.

Mary Jane King
Project Coordinator

Christmas Dinner/Theatre

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a Christmas Dinner/Theatre on **Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. The dinner will be served and entertainment provided by our Youth Group. **Tickets (\$15)** will be **available in the Narthex Sundays Nov. 26, and Dec. 3**, and from the UMW leadership. Proceeds from the sale will go to the youth of our church. Questions: Contact Karen McNeil (757) 570-0737.

Fifty Plus – 2023

We have **only 5 seats left** for **Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol, Saturday afternoon, December 9** at the **Smithfield Little Theatre**. Don't miss this unique take on a well-known tale. Afterward we will stop for dinner. **Price is \$18** plus dinner.

We have a Dec 12 sign-up deadline for our April 10 – 13, 2024 spring trip to **Charleston, SC**. Flyers and reservation sheets are on the rack next to the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. Attractions include a tour of Historic Charleston, Fort Sumter, Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens, the Naval & Maritime Museum, and a presentation of *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* in the Historic Dock Street Theatre. Because of the early sign-up date, we have shared the information with some local churches. **Don't miss out; reserve now!**

Watch the bulletin for additional announcements. Contact Anne or Bill Bryan to sign-up – in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 26

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service: In-Person/Livestream
- 10:30 a.m. Modern Service: In-Person/Livestream
- 10:30 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom
- 10:30 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage/Zoom Passcode: 000846
- 10:30 a.m. Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing

Monday, November 27

- 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
- 6:00 p.m. UMW Executive Board: ESR

Tuesday, November 28

- 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Tri-X Room
- 12:00 p.m. Fellowship of Circumstance for Men
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH
- 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, November 29

- 9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
- 4:00 p.m. Love Unites: Faithlink Room
- 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, November 30

- 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
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1051G: FH Kitchen

Friday, December 1

UMM Prep for Advent Breakfast

- 9:30 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink
- 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting: Ed Wing

Saturday, December 2

- 9:00 a.m. UMW Advent Breakfast: FH & Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group
- 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Prayers: Faithlink Room
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal Vocalists: Sanctuary

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Next Sunday

December 3, 2023

Mark Biondolillo



“Who Are You Looking For?”



Last Week's Attendance 11/19/2023

In person	127
9:00 a.m. Service	102
10:30 a.m. Service	25
Sunday School	62
Internet Live Streaming	169
9:00 a.m.:	115
10:30 a.m.:	54

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund:	\$ 6,775.71
Year to Date:	\$ 496,749.39

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week:	\$ 20.00
Year to Date:	\$ 3,135.10

Worship Assistants for November 19, 2023

November	9:00 a.m.: Jimmy Roberson (Capt.), Joyce Winston, A.G. Womble, Rick Nolin, Fred Foster
Ushers	10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Jane Barbour 10:30 a.m.: Susan Nadeau
Projection	9:00 a.m.: Mary Parker 10:30 a.m.:
Sound & Lights	9:00 a.m.: Hunter Francis 10:30 a.m.: Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco
Camera/ Video	9:00 a.m.: John Payne 10:30 a.m.: Rama Clement
Livestream	9:00 a.m.: Jim Branstetter 10:30 a.m.: Jim Branstetter
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: 11/26 Nancy Geith & Joann Smith 12/3 Fred & Kay Foster 10:30 a.m.: 11/26 Judy & Mike Adams 12/3 Lynn Landrum
Night Watchmen	11/26 Bob Casey, 12/3 Steve Phillips, 12/10 Hunter Francis

Pastor: Brian Sixbey - PastorBrian@firstumcfoxhill.org
 Assistant Pastor: Tommy Markham - PastorTommy@firstumcfoxhill.org
 Youth Director/Worship Team Leader: Larissa Luma - Larissa@firstumcfoxhill.org
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