First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

Sunday, November 8, 2026



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

"Give Me Oil for My Lamp!"
Matthew 25:1-13

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

November 8, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
All things were created through and for the Word made flesh.
Jesus is the head of the body, the church.
Jesus is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.
In Christ, the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.
Through Christ, God is at work in the world, reconciling all things.
Come as a reconciled and holy people.
Worship Jesus Christ, our hope and glory.

*Hymn	UMH 103	"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Children's Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

*Doxology	UMH 70	"Glory Be to the Father"
*Hymn	UMH 722	"I Want to be Ready"

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, Jesus teaches us that it is more difficult for a wealthy person to enter your kingdom, than it is for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. Too often we have been blinded by the glitter of gold and sought to acquire more money and possessions than we need. In our selfishness, we have ignored your call to share our bounty with the poor in our midst, choosing instead to walk away from the needy in guilty sadness. We beg your mercy and forgiveness. We await your strength and guidance to do better. 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

Lord's Prayer

Anthem	"Blessed Assurance" Knapp/DeCou	First Fox Hill Family Choir
Scripture	Matthew 25:1-13	
Sermon	"Give Me Oil for My Lamp!"	Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey
*Hymn	UMH 173	"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

*Benediction

*Benediction Response	UMH 154	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (vs. 1)

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

November 8, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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*Worship Songs	"Battle Belongs" Phil Wickham	
	"Unstoppable God" Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Wade Joye	
	"Broken Vessels" Joel Houston, Jonas Myrin	
Offering Prayer and Offertory		
Scripture	Matthew 25:1-13	
Sermon	"Give Me Oil for My Lamp!"	Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey
Reflection	"Trust in God" Brandon Lake, Chris Brown, Mitch Wong, Steven Furtick	Worship Team
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Becky Holland
The Lord's Prayer		
*Benediction		
Postlude		

*Please stand as you are able.

Prayers for

Holley family
Scott & Pam Roberts
Blackmon family

Bill Terry & his family
Sue & Jack Morehouse
Brian Eubank, Sr.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Director Needed!

Our beloved Larissa Luma will be stepping down from her role as youth director and worship team leader as of November 15. We truly appreciate how she has helped us, from growing our youth group from 1 youth in 2021 to 30+ currently, to bringing our youth to the Navajo reservation last year, to encouraging our youth to be active in our church and active in the Virginia Conference. We cannot replace Larissa, but we are looking for someone who can step into the role and bring their own spirit and talents to it. If you know of someone who is interested and willing to be interviewed for the role, please get them in touch with Pastor Brian or Cindy Robinson, chair of PPSRC. We hope to have someone in place by November 22, or as soon as possible.

Next Sunday, November 15

Pastor Brian will be out with his brothers at Hungry Mother State Park for their annual weekend together. Mark and Patty Biondolillo, our newly certified Lay Speakers, will be bringing the Word. We are grateful to have so many qualified, talented, and capable preachers in our congregation!

Food Pantry Red Tub Needs

The following are some of the most commonly distributed staples in our Food Pantry. Donations are always appreciated!

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Rice
- Pasta
- Macaroni and cheese
- Potatoes (instant flakes or scalloped)
- Cereal
- Canned chili
- Canned vegetables
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Spaghetti sauce

Please donate items in non-breakable containers. Our volunteers occasionally drop things, so plastic containers are especially helpful!

Thank you for supporting our Food Pantry and helping our neighbors in need!

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. **See display in the Narthex** 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 FUMC FH 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.

Coming soon!!! The **Destination, Dates, and Details** for our **2027 spring trip** will be released imminently. Be sure to get your name on one of the limited seats!

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, November 8
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. Junior Youth: Ed Wing

Monday, November 9
10:00 a.m. Yoga Group: FH Stage
1:00 p.m. "The Book" Club: Tri-X Room
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting: ESR
7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting: Tri-X Room

Tuesday, November 10
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, November 11 Veterans Day
9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Tri-X Room
3:00 p.m. Love Unites: ESR
5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Info Session: Tri-X Room
5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Called PPSRC Meeting: ESR
6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice

Thursday, November 12
11:00 a.m. Hour of Prayer: Tri-X Room
4:00 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage

Friday, November 13
6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room

Saturday, November 14
9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
9:00 a.m. Sat.Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink
1:00 p.m. EAGLE Court of Honor: Sanctuary & FH

Next Sunday
November 15, 2026
Mark & Patty Biondolillo
Certified Lay Speakers

Attendance:	**November 1, 2026**
In person:	**119**
9:00 a.m. Service	85
10:30 a.m. Service	34
Internet Live Streaming:	**34**
9:00 a.m. Service	25
10:30 a.m. Service	9
Tithes & Offerings:	
Total One Fund:	$9,431.38
Year to Date:	$362,565.90
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	$ 184.00
Last Week:	$ 2,121.00
Year to Date:	
Roof Fund	
Last Week:	$ 350.00
Year to Date:	$ 7,551.00

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Worship Assistants for November 8, 2026	
November Ushers	9:00 a.m.: Calvin Leary (Capt.), Sue Morehouse, Jean Pickin, Mike May, Mark Robinson 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, Elevate Youth
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Jane Barbour 10:30 a.m.: Ron Mayo
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: Joann Smith & Anne Bryan 10:30 a.m.: *
Night Watchmen	11/08 Marc Nadeau, 11/15 Lloyd Cato, 11/22 Bob Casey

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