

First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

Sunday, September 20, 2026



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

“Would you Rather Eat or Complain?” Exodus 16:2-15

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

September 20, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Family of God, when we feel afraid and pressed in on every side...

The Spirit protects and advocates for us.

When the world's problems seem too big to solve, and we don't know how to do the next right thing...

The Spirit comforts and strengthens us.

When we need wisdom to know what is ours to do and the courage to act...

The Spirit counsels and empowers us.

Family of God, on this journey of faith, we are not alone—God is with us!

May the Holy Spirit empower us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ who transform the world, beginning with ourselves.

*Hymn	UMH 369	"Blessed Assurance"
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Children's Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

*Doxology	UMH 71	"Glory Be to the Father"
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*Hymn	UMH 261	"Lord of the Dance"
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Prayer of Confession

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility. Cleanse us with the living water of your grace. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love. Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see, for we ask this in Jesus' name and for the sake of his mission. 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
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The Lord's Prayer

Anthem	"Worthy Is the Lamb" Zschech	First Fox Hill Family Choir
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Scripture	Exodus 16:2-15
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Sermon	"Would you Rather Eat or Complain?"	Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey
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*Hymn	UMH 156	"I Love to Tell the Story" (vss. 1-3)
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*Benediction

*Benediction Response	UMH 156	"I Love to Tell the Story" (vs. 4)
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Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

September 20, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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*Worship Songs

“He is Faithful”

Bryan Torwalt | Katie Torwalt

“Firm Foundation”

Austin Davis | Chandler Moore | Cody Carnes

“Holy Spirit”

Bryan Torwalt | Katie Torwalt

Offering Prayer and Offertory

Scripture

Exodus 16:2-15

Sermon

“Would you Rather Eat or Complain?”

Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey

Reflection

“The Blessing”

Chris Brown | Cody Carnes | Kari Jobe | Steven Furtick

Worship Team

The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Becky Holland

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.



Prayers for

Randy Fisher
Nanci Browning
Sue and Jack Morehouse
Brian Eubank, Sr.

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Deliverance

Deliverance is our new series. Deliverance is not just about exorcisms, dramatic miracles, or awesome spiritual awakenings – deliverance actually happens all the time – once we have eyes to see it. As we go through the story of Israel's deliverance from slavery in Egypt, I hope we will gain insight into how God delivers us today.

Baptisms At Buckroe Beach

On Sunday September 27, 2pm at Buckroe beach, you are invited to come out to remember your baptism. No special preparation needed - just be ready to go into the water. A rain date or location will be scheduled if needed.

Safe Sanctuary Training

First UMC Fox Hill will be working with all current and future volunteers who serve with children, youth, and vulnerable adults to ensure everyone is equipped to help create a safe and welcoming environment for our church community. Safe Sanctuary training is required once a year for all volunteers serving in these areas.

Two training opportunities will be offered: **Thursday, September 24th at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 26th at 2:00 p.m.** Please reserve your spot by emailing the church office at churchoffice@firstumcfoxhill.org. If you have any questions, please contact Larissa at larissa@firstumcfoxhill.org.

UMM Meetings Start Monday, September 21

The first UMM meeting of the fall will be on Monday, September 21, at 6:30 pm. It is our traditional fish fry. We are planning to have fun, good food, and fellowship. All men are welcome to attend.

Nursery Assistant Needed

We are in need of a second person to work in the nursery as we have more children now than we have had in the recent past. If you are interested in part time work or know of someone, please get in touch with Cindy Robinson or Pastor Brian.

Fifty Plus Announcement

NEWS FLASH!!! We need you to **sign up right now** if you want to see the musical ***A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*** performed by **Theatre CNU on Sunday afternoon, October 4**. In this musical comic romp filled with unforgettable songs, the ever-charming Monty Navarro finds he is ninth in line to an Earldom and uses his new status to woo his love Sibella, despite his prejudiced relatives. Maybe with a little well placed... homicide. **Price is \$12 plus your meal** afterwards. [And maybe a surprise about a possible February musical outing.] **Seats cannot be guaranteed after Sunday, 9/27.**

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.

Pumpkin Patch

Current schedule of events follows:

- 9/13/26: Sign up in the Narthex
- 10/14/26 9:00am: Outdoor Set up
- 10/15/26 4pm: Unload Pumpkins & Dinner
- 10/17/26 - 10/31/2026 Pumpkin Patch Open
- 11/1/26 9am: Pumpkin Patch Cleanup



Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 20

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. Elevate Youth Night: FH
 6:00 p.m. Junior Youth: Ed Wing

Monday, September 21

10:00 a.m. Yoga Group: FH Stage
 1:00 p.m. "The Book" Club: Tri-X Room
 6:30 p.m. UMM Meeting: FH
 7:00 p.m. The Collective: Youth Council: Youth Room

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 a.m. Facilities Team Workday
 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
 11:00 a.m. Bagging for Food Pantry
 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH
 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, September 23

9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink
 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Tri-X Room
 12:00 p.m. Food Pantry
 3:00 p.m. Love Unites: ESR
 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice

Thursday, September 24

11:00 a.m. Hour of Prayer: Tri-X Room
 5:00 p.m. TABS: Tri-X Room
 6:00 p.m. Karate for Christ: FH Stage
 7:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training

Friday, September 25

6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
 6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room
 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting: ED Wing

Saturday, September 26

7:00 a.m. Army Navy Masonic Lodge: Parking lot Usage
 9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
 9:00 a.m. Sat. Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink
 2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson Home
 2:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training
 6:00 p.m. The Collective: Tabletop: Youth Room
 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Next Sunday

September 27, 2026
 "Deliverance Is an Inside Job"
 Exodus 17:1-7

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Attendance:

September 13, 2026

In person: **125**
 9:00 a.m. Service 79
 10:30 a.m. Service 46

Internet Live Streaming: **24**
 9:00 a.m. Service 19
 10:30 a.m. Service 5

Tithes & Offerings:

Total One Fund: \$21,492.98
 Year to Date: \$309,929.72

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$10.00
 Year to Date: \$1,747.00

Roof Fund

Last Week: \$20.00
 Year to Date: \$5,906.00

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Worship Assistants for September 20, 2026

September Ushers	9:00 a.m.: Richard Shearer (Capt.), Bill Bryan, Brian Eubank, Dave Sharp** 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, Elevate Youth
Liturgist	9:00 a.m.: Jessup Triplett 10:30 a.m.: Kathy Fisher
Ambassadors	9:00 a.m.: LaRose Richardson & Maude Casey 10:30 a.m.: *
Night Watchmen	9/20 Calvin Leary, 9/27 Fred Foster, 10/4 Jesse Barbour

FUMCFH Ladies



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