

Welcome to First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

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

Sunday, December 21, 2025



Announcements

Christmas Eve

This Wednesday, Dec. 24, we will celebrate Christmas eve at 4pm and 7pm. Both services will have carols, communion, and candlelight. 4pm will feature the praise band, and 7pm will feature our choir.

Next Sunday, December 28

Pastor Brian will be with his family in Knoxville, but Rev. Becky Holland will be bringing the Word at a single combined 9am service on Dec. 28.

Fifty Plus

Don't miss out on any of the Fifty Plus activities.

- Coming up for **Saturday morning on January 17** we are **planning our annual breakfast at the Poquoson Dinner**...mark your calendars.
- A **Spring trip** is in development with expected mid-April dates. **Be watching for details soon** and be ready to grab a seat while they are available.
- Coming on **Sunday afternoon, June 14**, we will enjoy a **Mystery Patriotic Musical** at the **Williamsburg Players**. This will definitely be a winner, but due to contractual limitations, the title cannot be revealed until the end of February. Don't miss out...**we have only 30 seats**. Afterward we will stop for dinner. **Cost is \$19 plus your meal.**

More to come. Watch First Fox Hill publications for more details and contact Anne or Bill Bryan to sign-up – in person, at <u>abandbb1@cox.net</u>, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

December 21, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Forth Advent Candle

Mike and Pam May, Jimmy Roberson

We light this candle as a symbol of the Prince of Peace.

May the visitation of your Holy Spirit, O God,

make us ready for the coming of Jesus, our hope and joy.

O come, O come, Emmanuel.

* Hymn UMH 220 "Angels From the Realms of Glory"

Children's Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

* Doxology UMH 72 "Gloria, Gloria"

* Hymn UMH 216 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Prayer of Confession

O God, the darkness of the world surrounds us and, if we are honest, we confess that the darkness of the world resides within us. At times, we prefer the darkness to the light. Have mercy upon us according to your steadfast love and infinite mercy. Remind us that the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. Guide our feet in paths of righteousness and teach us to walk in the light, through Jesus Christ our Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: The One who calls you to repentance is the One who walks beside you to give you strength and peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Rev. Becky Holland

Anthem "Christmas Sanctus" First Fox Hill Family Choir

Dengler

Scripture Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon "Faithfulness is Listening" Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey

* Hymn UMH 250 "Once In Royal David's City"

* Benediction

* Benediction Response UMH 204 "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

December 21, 2025, 10:30 a.m. Modern Worship Service

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Alphonse, Helen, Paul, Allen, and Ellianna Kasongo

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* Worship Songs

"Rest On Us"

Brandon Lake | Elyssa Smith | Harvest Bashta | Jonathan Jay | Rebekah White | Tony Brown

"Manger Throne"

Jonathan Smith | Phil Wickham | Tony Wood

"Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"

John Wyeth | Robert Robinson | Thomas Mille

Offering Prayer and Offering

Scripture Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon "Faithfulness is Listening" Rev. Dr. Brian Sixbey

Reflection "Behold" Worship Team

Dallas Jenkins | Phil Wickham | Steven Furtick

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

* Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Poinsettia Dedications

In honor of:

Our loving parents: Ken & Becky Felix, Kenny & Lori Ward Given by Corey & Sarah Felix

> Pastor Tommy Markham Given by Becky Thompson

> > In Memory of:

Wayne Grigg Given by Judy Grigg

Judy Dale Adams Given by Michael D. Adams

Jane & Conway Rogers Evelyn & Bud Lee Given by Kathy & Dave Rogers Gail Gulla Anne & Bill Bryan Given by Bonnie Hulton

Kassandra Brown Given by Pat & Mary Parker

Mickey & Louise Gulla Fred & Tisma Penfield Given by Michael, Gail, Mike, & Brandon Gulla

> Our parents Given by Jane & Jesse Barbour

> > Mom, Dad, & Big Bro Given by Dave Sharp

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 21

Traditional Worship Service: In-Person/Livestream 9:00 a.m.

Searchers Class: FH Stage Zoom Passcode: 000846 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom

10:30 a.m. Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing

Modern Worship Service In-Person/Livestream 10:30 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Women in the Word: ESR

6:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Christmas Party: FH

6:00 p.m. Junior Youth: Ed Wing

Monday, December 22

10:00 a.m. Yoga: FH Stage

"The Book" Club: Tri-X Room 1:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. Phoebus Women's Club Meeting: ESR

7:00 p.m. Ballroom Dance Class: FH Stage

Tuesday, December 23

8:00 a.m. **Facilities Team Workday**

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH

7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH

Wednesday, December 24 Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Carols & Communion Family Service

6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Carols & Communion Service

Thursday, December 25 Christmas

Friday, December 26

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

6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room

Saturday, December 27

9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen

9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Sisters in Christ: Faithlink

2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson Home 7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Next Week

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve! 4pm & 7pm

"Spectator or Witness?"

Luke 2:1-20

Dec. 28, 9am single service Rev. Becky Holland



Wendy Rose (daughter of Nanci Browning) Cathy Geary (friend of Debbie Kravitz) Brian Eubank, Sr.

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

Attendance 12/14/2025

In person:

Scan to

Support

Fox Hill

9:00 a.m. Service 126

Internet Live Streaming First UMC

9:00 a.m. Service 31

Tithes & Offerings

Total One Fund: \$ 13,476.31 \$ 485,104.02 Year to Date:

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Last Week: \$ 35.00 \$ 2,819.00 Year to Date:

Worship Assistants for December 21, 2025 Dec. Ushers 9:00 a.m.: Jimmy Roberson (Capt.), Rick Nolin, Fred Foster, Jeanne Chapman, * 10:30 a.m.: Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark, **Elevate Youth** 9:00 a.m.: Patty Biondolillo Liturgist 10:30 a.m.: Dallas Russel **Ambassadors** 9:00 a.m.: 12/21 LaRose Richardson & Maude Casey 12/28: Nancy Geith & Joann Smith

10:30 a.m.: 12/21 Mike & Judy Adams 12/28 *

Night Watchmen 12/21 Mark Robinson, 12/28 Marc Nadeau,

01/04 Lloyd Cato

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