

First United Methodist Church of Hampton

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March 10, 2019 10:00 a.m.



In the name of Christ WELCOME!

**Although you may be a stranger to us, you are no stranger to God,
who knows you and loves you, and whose heart is glad at your presence here.
We sincerely hope this time of worship will bless your life.**

As you are able, please stand for acts of worship indicated by an asterisk (*).

UMH indicates The United Methodist Hymnal (red book in pew rack)

TFWS indicates The Faith We Sing (thin black book in pew rack)

**Help us sustain God's creation by placing used worship bulletins
in the basket on the credenza in the back of the sanctuary for recycling.**

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*INTROIT O God, We Worship Thee The Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

*We come to worship the God who walks with us
through every challenge.*

**We come to remember what Jesus did
when he was faced with the wilderness.**

*When Israel wandered through the wilderness, she was not alone.
God was there!*

*When we are walking through the wilderness, we are not alone.
God is with us!*

**We come today to worship our God,
who gives us strength for every journey,
and courage for every test.**

*HYMN Jesus, Tempted in the Desert TFWS 2105

LENTEN JOURNEY FROM LIGHT TO DARKNESS

It is the first Sunday in Lent, and we are entering into a holy season. The Lenten candles have been lighted. Over the next six weeks the light will slowly fade into darkness as we retell the story of Christ Jesus' betrayal and suffering and death. God will be revealed to us in this amazing transformation, as death evolves into life everlasting. Jesus speaks to our every pain and loss, and He invites us to follow along with Him on the journey that brings Him to the Cross.

(Extinguish 1st purple candle)

*Let us pray together: **Loving Father, help us to keep our feet moving, our hands outstretched, and our hearts open to your call. As we move toward the cross, keep us from temptation and doubt as we draw near to the time of darkness. Help us as we do Your work in our world amidst all the snares that face us. In the name of Jesus, who bled and died for us. Amen.***

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Spirit of the Living God* UMH No. 393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

LENTEN MISSION FOCUS Camp Rainbow

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:1-13 (NRSV)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³ The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." ⁴ Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

⁵ Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷ If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸ Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

⁹ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' ¹¹ and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ¹² Jesus

answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

We bring these gifts to you, O God, in recognition and gratitude for your loving provision. We offer you our very lives and bow before you in tribute to your many blessings. Take us and use us that your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. This we pray in the name of the One who came in holy love, that we might have abundant life. Amen.

OFFERTORY *Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You* Christine Woods, solo

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS UMH 87 (V 4)

**This gift we now bring, this present, this token,
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer in honor and praise!**

*HYMN *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* TFWS 2112

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER SUNG IN UNISON

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

As we go forward into the coming week, we will be tempted with meeting practical needs and forgetting the spiritual.

Jesus said, "One does not live by bread alone."

We will be tempted to control others and gain personal advantage.

Jesus said, "Worship the Lord your God and serve God alone."

We will be tempted to get God to change situations which are way beyond our power to change.

Jesus said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

In every temptation we face, the God who meets us in Jesus will be our sure and present strength.

We will remember and we will keep our eyes turned upon Jesus.

Go in God's peace with God's blessing on your life. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers

One of the ways the Worship Committee has decided to observe Lent is by not having flowers on the altar during this season of austerity and simple reflection. We hope this absence of flowers during Lent (March 6-April 20) will amplify the resurrection message of the Easter flowers when they arrive!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 10

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| LITURGIST: | Richard Slye |
| FINANCE: | Wayne Barfoot |
| BUS DRIVER: | Gary Bergtholdt |
| COUNTERS: | Bob Allsbrook Ralph White |

Attendance Last week

Worship: 77 Sunday School: 53



Sunday, March 17

10:00 am

The Glory Ringers play during worship

5:30 pm

Covered Dish Supper
with our Missionary from Chile, John Elmore



Sunday, March 31 at 11:00 am

Baked Potato and Salad Bar Lunch
to benefit Project Crossroads Team

Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 am

Passion/Palm Sunday Worship



Holy Thursday, April 18 at 7:00 pm

Worship with Communion

Good Friday, April 19 at 5:00 pm

Community Walk with the Cross
throughout downtown Hampton



Saturday, April 20

10:00 am- 2:00 pm

Easter Party



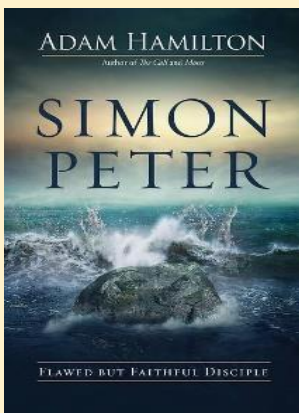
*Easter Sunday, April 21
at 10:00 am Easter Worship*

Bring fresh flowers to adorn our Resurrection Cross!



Lenten Study
March 13 through April 17
Wednesday evenings
7:00 pm In the fellowship hall

We hope you will join the Christian Spiritual Formation Team as they begin our Lenten study "*Simon Peter*" by Adam Hamilton. The study will begin promptly at 7:00 pm each Wednesday evening. The cost of the book will be \$16.00 and will be available from Brenda Wright (on Sundays) or the church office during the week.



Simon Peter—an ordinary fisherman who heard an extraordinary call. He left everything to follow his teacher and possessed a passion that would change the world. That's one way to describe Peter. Here's another: poor, uneducated, quick-tempered, and full of doubts and fears. Doesn't even sound like the same man. And that's the point of *Simon Peter*, a six-week adult Bible study by Adam Hamilton. **Peter was just an ordinary guy who heard and followed God's extraordinary call. Discover how you, too, have special gifts, talents, and abilities that God can use to make a difference today.** Chapters Include: The Call of Simon the Fisherman; Walking with Jesus in the Storm; Bedrock or Stumbling Block?; "I Will Not Deny You"; From Cowardice to Courage; The Rest of the Story

There are two Lenten Devotionals available for your use during this season of Lent. They are located in the back of the sanctuary (narthex) or on the table outside of the office. Hopefully you have received a copy of the Society of St Andrew booklet entitled **Season of Joy and Gladness**, which has daily readings along with a scripture and prayer. We mailed them at the beginning of the week. The other devotional, **The Sanctuary for Lent 2019** by Juan Huertas, has a similar format but includes a Breath Prayer that you can pray throughout the day until you read the next day. Our hope is that one or both of these devotionals will speak to your heart and guide you through this season of Lent.

Reminders, Announcements, and Other News



SUNDAY, MARCH 10 - **First Sunday in Lent** DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS

8:30 am Fellowship (FH)
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship (S)

MONDAY, MARCH 11

11:30 am UMW Circle 8 (Midge Eason's home)

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

10:00 am Nifty Crafters (CFR)
1:00 pm Small Group Study (HP)
6:00 pm Fitness Yoga (FH)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

10:00 am UMW Circle 1 (Sylvia Rumsey's home)
11:30 am UMW Circle 4 (Vancosta's)
7:00 pm Lenten Study – Simon Peter (FH)

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

10:00 am Gentle Yoga (FH)
3:00 pm Jones/Yeatman Reharsal (S)
5:00 pm Sine Nomine (CR)
6:15 pm Bell Choir (CR)
7:15 pm Chancel Choir (S)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Kitchen in use all day
Parking Lot reserved
4:00 pm Jones/Yeatman Wedding (S)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Kitchen in use all day

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 – **Second Sunday in Lent**

8:30 am Fellowship (FH)
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship w/ Glory Ringers (S)

**5:30 pm Covered Dish Supper with
John Elmore, Missionary in Chile**



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3/12

Linda Minetree

3/13

3/14

Caroline Montgomery

3/15

3/16

3/17

The Pastor and staff
wish everyone a happy
birthday and pray God's
blessings upon you.

If your birthday is not listed or
listed incorrectly,
please accept our apologies
and let us know in the office
so we can correct our
records. Thank you.

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| FH-Fellowship Hall | HP-Happy People's Class |
| CR –Choir Room | S-Sanctuary |
| CFR-Craft Room | Kit-Kitchen |
| C-Crouse Room | P-Parlor |



**Please remember in prayer
those from our congregation:**

Lil' Bit Brown
Nell Writtenberry
Jane Roberts
Eleanor Woodward
Ed Kilgore
Allen Langford
Barbara Cubbage
Marty Baker
Candee Martin and family
Aggie Hogge
Lenny Yarrington
Robin Welch
Marianne Prentiss
Beth Nystrom
Earl Lawson
Lewis Thurston
Jackie Taylor
Winnie Barnes
Sue Miserentino

**Is there someone for whom you
would like us to pray?
Please contact the church office.**

Our friends and family in need of prayer:

Bishop Lewis;

Lyle (Wilson's grandson)

Chad Sayers (Winnie Barnes' grandson)

Jimmy Parker (friend of Carol Gardner)

Gerald E. Burks (friend of Vince Mundie)

Maddie Davis (student at Armstrong)

Tim (friend of the Milholens)

Patsy G. Maney (friend of Vince Mundie)

Linda Lowry (Linda Marushi's cousin)

Nancey (friend of Jane Miller)

Vicki Pogozeleski (Judy Rushton's
daughter)

Abdul Fattah Kourtiche (father of Sarah
and Hannah Kourtiche)

Ellen Sue Ryan (friend of Meg Moore)

Leo (infant friend of Hannah Kourtiche)

Chris (Audrey Thurston's brother)

Barbara Farrand's daughter-in-law

Gene Ferguson (friend of Vince Mundie)

Bill Milholen (William's father)

Carolyn Schmid (former member & friend
of Shirley McCracken)

And many others...



Growing the leaders your church needs to thrive

Leaders often concentrate first on developing their own leadership skills. Later they begin to think of intentionally mentoring and developing other leaders to serve in the church. Passing on to mentees the expectation that they too are to be engaged in mentoring others — often comes last or not at all. Each of the three leadership development steps is vital and necessary. Unless all three are at work simultaneously and synergistically, leadership growth can be stunted and stymied. Rather than engaging these steps through isolated activities, the three parts are to be integrated and dynamically connected. To ensure a healthy leadership pipeline in the local congregation, leaders must continually attend to nurturing and developing their own leadership practice and skillset. This occurs through continuing education and through relationships with mentors and coaches who provide needed and useful feedback. In a well-designed mentoring ministry, the leader is both mentor and mentee simultaneously. Finally, leaders need to provide the expectation and direction that their mentees will also mentor prospective servant leaders.

These three practices are connected in purpose and must occur simultaneously. Ideally, this is an ongoing dynamic process. Servant leader volunteers should always be learners and mentees, continually learning and growing. They should always be mentoring, sharing, and showing. They should continually be encouraging, resourcing, and empowering others to mentor additional prospective servant leader volunteers. This leadership life cycle is critical for healthy leadership succession in the local church. A strong, intentional mentoring ministry can ensure healthy succession in every area of ministry — nursery workers, caretakers of the campus, Sunday school teachers, administrative committee chairpersons, or people who replace pastors or other staff members — and can contribute to the long-term viability, vitality, and fruitfulness of a congregation.

Jesus' three years of public ministry had the primary goal of putting in place a succession plan to ensure the furtherance of the gospel. For 36 months, Jesus spent most of his time and energy mentoring diverse and sometimes difficult disciples. Because Jesus invested in their leadership, they were empowered to turn the world upside down, leading a spiritual revolution that impacted lives throughout the world and throughout time, abundantly and eternally. We in the church today are awarded the privilege and responsibility of sustaining this servant leader succession plan begun by Jesus! This calling and empowerment has an "apostolic succession" connotation, as we consider this gracious and vital charge of carrying on the servant leader legacy within the Body of Christ. ~ **Lewis Center for Church Leadership**

Virginia Conference UMVIM Teams Haiti matching funds ~ Volunteer in Mission (VIM) teams from faith communities in the Virginia Conference who are interested in serving in mission with the Methodist Church of Haiti have a unique opportunity to receive matching funds for work in disaster response or humanitarian projects. Please contact Glenn Rowley at glennrowley@vaumc.org or 804-521-1143 or Cindy Ingroff at the Office of Justice and Missional Excellence at cindyingroff@vaumc.org or 804-521-1153. You may also find information on the conference website under the Center for Justice and Missional Excellence.

Safe Sanctuaries Policy workshop to be held in March ~ Prepare for your children and youth programs with this five-day online workshop March 25-29, 2019, for congregations that don't have a Safe Sanctuary policy or whose policy is outdated, needs revision or doesn't meet the needs of current ministries. Participants will learn why congregations should have an up-to-date policy, what the policy includes generally and specifically, and how to get a policy written, approved, and implemented – or edited. This is an INTENSIVE workshop, so participants need to be involved on the site daily to receive a completion certificate. Plan on reading two documents, posting a response to one question, and posting responses to at least two other participants every day – a minimum of an hour a day. You are required to read *Safe Sanctuaries: Reducing the Risk of Abuse in the Church for Children and Youth* by Joy Thornburg Melton. You must have access to a copy of this book throughout the duration of the course. Following this workshop, you may decide to schedule six additional weeks of support while you get your policy written. The additional time would consist of once-a-week, one-hour conference calls or chat room conversations, for an additional \$150. You may enroll by visiting: www.beadisciple.com/online-christian-courses/ifd157-five-day-intensive-workshop-safe-sanctuary-policy/.

Disaster funds, UMVIM teams needed in Danville ~ In Fall 2018, people in the city and county of Danville, Va. experienced historic flooding of the Dan River and other waterways as a result of hurricane Florence and tropical storm Michael. There are 45+ homes with significant damage, most of which are homes of persons and families that were struggling with economic challenges prior to the flooding.

- Please consider a financial gift to the Virginia Conference Disaster Response Fund to help in Danville. All contributions can be sent to the Conference Treasurer's office with the reference "Conference Disaster Response Fund #5037."
- Consider taking an UMVIM team to work on the homes of those affected. Please contact the Rev. Lisa Nordan at sailorschk@yahoo.com or 757-513-0496.

Published weekly, the electronic Sunday Advocate summarizes news events affecting Virginia United Methodists and serves as a link to the in-depth reporting of the Virginia United Methodist Advocate, the official magazine of the Virginia Conference. To subscribe to the monthly Virginia Advocate magazine, call (804) 521-1110 or 1-800-768-6040, ext. 110; or e-mail Advocate@vaumc.org. Unless indicated, all news compiled courtesy of the Virginia Advocate, the weekly e-Advocate or United Methodist News Service.

Visitor Center

TO REACH THE REST ROOMS OR THE NURSERY:

Enter through the canopied entrance on the side of the building. Rest rooms are down the hall to the left. The Nursery is up the steps and down the hall to the right. Greeters and ushers are available to guide you.

REGISTRATION PADS are located in each pew near the center aisle. Please use these to record your presence, and to pass along information for the pastor or the church office.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are available in the pews and in the foyer atop the Prayer Box. Deposit them in the box or drop them in the offering plates.

WE PRACTICE "OPEN" COMMUNION. We celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month, and at other special times. All are welcome at the table of the Lord, regardless of church membership, age, or feelings of worthiness. If you wish to come into relationship with Christ, deepen or renew that relationship, there is a place for you here.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BECOMING A MEMBER OF FIRST UMC, please indicate so on the registration pad, or contact the pastor.

OUR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

FELLOWSHIP 8:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 AM

WORSHIP: 10:00 AM

There is a place for you and your family on Sunday mornings here at First UMC Hampton

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