

First United Methodist Church of Hampton

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February 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

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Sine Nomine

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

The church of our risen Lord is called to be a fellowship of people who love one another as Jesus the Christ loves us.

Jesus' love is so perfect; it is difficult for us to be that loving.

But it is that kind of love that proves to others that we are Jesus' disciples.

It is our desire to follow our Lord's commandment to give ourselves to each other in love.

*HYMN

How Can We Name a Love

UMH 111

*OPENING PRAYER

Compassionate God, your son gave himself unselfishly to his followers and commanded his followers to love one another in the same way. Instill and nurture within us a genuine love for each other, that our world may be convinced we are disciples of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

John 13:31-35 (NRSV)

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Generous God, you are the source of all our blessings. Open our hearts as we give with joy for the nourishment of all people. As we give and receive from each other, may we come to a greater appreciation of the infinite variety in which you have created us and your unifying love which makes us one. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

UMH 94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*HYMN

Help Us Accept Each Other

UMH 560

*A MODERN AFFIRMATION

UMH 885

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER AND PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Amazing Grace

Sine Nomine

SERMON

Would They Know We Are Christians?

Rev. Candee Martin

*CLOSING HYMN *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* TFWS 2223

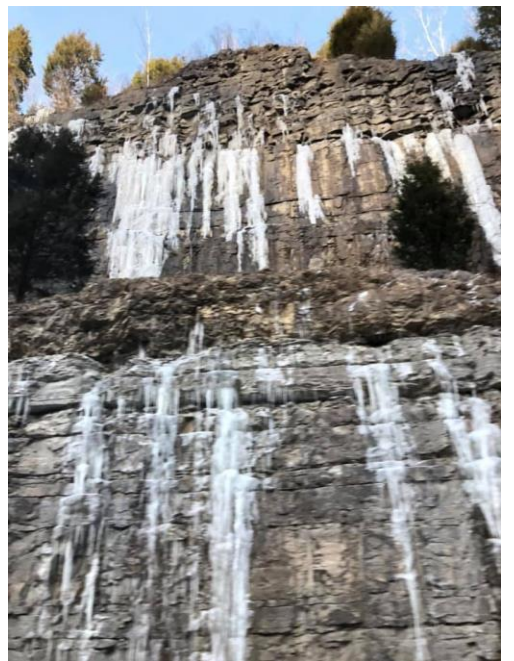
*COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING (Responsively)

We are loved by one God; we are redeemed by one Savior; we are empowered by one Spirit. This week, as the people of God, let us love the unloved and unwanted, redeem the battered and tattered, empower the weak and powerless, that God may be glorified in this world now and in the world without end.

As we leave this place, may we know that our worship is only beginning; may we love others as God has first loved us. In all that we see, hear, and take into our hearts, may the love of Christ be with us, now and forever. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Imagination Space



Have a HEART Banquet

**Sponsored by the United Methodist Men
to Benefit Heart Havens**

*Heart Havens empowers adults with a developmental disability
to live and thrive in their community.*

February 15, 2019

6:30 pm

Fellowship Hall



Menu:

Spaghetti, Salad
Bread, Dessert
Tea & Coffee

Although our parking lot is reserved for a wedding, on street parking and other lots should have room. **Valet parking on request by calling Ron Rumsey. 692-9922**

Jerry Sowers, music worship leader for Wesley Methodist Church, and Christine Woods will be recreating the brother/sister duo The Carpenters. They will be singing some of their greatest songs. *I'm On the Top of the World, Close to You*, and more.

RSVP to the church office by Feb 11.

office@firstumchampton.org

757. 723.6577

A Night's Welcome Begins February 16

Our church will once again host the “A Night's Welcome (ANW)” program February 16 – 23, 2019. ANW gives us an opportunity to minister to the needs of our homeless brothers and sisters in our community by providing a safe, warm place for them to sleep and two hot meals (breakfast and dinner) daily, and showers.

Volunteers can assist by greeting our guests as they arrive, preparing and serving meals, washing towels / wash cloths, or staying overnight. **Sign-up sheets are located on the wall behind the Sanctuary.** If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Carol Gardner at 838-7452.



The Children's Sunday School gathered money to send to Heifer International as a Christmas project. Heifer International helps families in need by providing them a way to create income and lift themselves out of poverty. The children sent \$150.00 which paid for a goat, at \$120.00 and a flock of chickens for \$20.00.

Carolyn Knight

SAVE THE DATE!



Sunday, March 3 at 11:00 am

Soup & Sandwich Luncheon
(Love offering for the Legacy Fund)
and Play *"That Handful of Women"*

celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Methodist Women in Mission

Shrove Tuesday, March 5 from 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Pancake supper
sponsored by the UMM

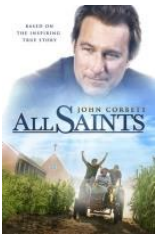


Wednesday, March 6 at 7:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Worship

Saturday, March 9 at 8:00 am

Breakfast and Bible Study
Sponsored by the UMM



Saturday, March 9

5:30 Dinner - Taco Salad Bar (\$6.00 per person)

6:00 Movie - *All Saints* (PG)

Sunday, March 17 at 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

SUMMER 2019 MISSION TRIPS



Project Crossroads
June 30 – July 6
Contact Jeremy Hooten
malvenus@gmail.com
757-272-7522



Camp Rainbow
Session 1
June 22 – 28

Session 2
July 27 – August 2
Contact Ron Rumsey for either session
randsum@aol.com
757-692-9922



Thanks to all those who participated and made our first "Soup Swap" a success. Maybe we'll do it again!

Dear Friends in Christ,

The York River District will host a Dinner Church Encounter event to learn a new way to share God's love with new people in new places. I invite you to join me for this special occasion. Dinner Church is a form of Fresh Expressions and it is an exciting way to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

The event is scheduled on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St Luke's UMC, Yorktown.

*For details about the event and registration, use the following link:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dinner-church-encounter-yorktown-vt-tickets-54503618791>*

*To learn about the Fresh Expressions, use the following link:
<https://freshexpressionsus.org>*

I look forward to welcoming you at this event on March 26.

Joy in Christ,

*Seonyoung Kim
District Superintendent
York River District*

Reminders, Announcements, and Other News



SUNDAY, FEB 10

8:30 am Fellowship (FH)
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship (S)
11:00 am Spiritual Formation Team (HP)



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MONDAY, FEB 11

No scheduled activities

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TUESDAY, FEB 12

10:00 am Nifty Crafters (CFR)
6:00 pm Fitness Yoga (FH)
6:30 pm SPRC (C)

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Marilyn Ogburn

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WEDNESDAY, FEB 13

10:00 am UMW Circle 1 (Martha Ware's)
11:30 am UMW Circle 4 (Vancosta's)
7:00 pm Finance Comm (C)

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Lee Pollard

Eleanor Woodward

THURSDAY, FEB 14

10:00 am Gentle Yoga (FH)
5:00 pm Sine Nomine Ringers (CR)
6:15 pm Bell Choir (CR)
7:15 pm Chancel Choir (S)

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Buddy Marushi

FRIDAY, FEB 15

4:00 pm Wedding (S)
3:00 -11:00 pm Parking Lot Reserved for HPO
6:30 pm Have a Heart Banquet

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

SATURDAY, FEB 16

5:45 pm A Night's Welcome Begins

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.

SUNDAY, FEB 17

6:00 am Night's Welcome Breakfast
8:30 am Fellowship (FH)
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship (S)
5:45 pm A Night's Welcome Check-in

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY, SUNDAY, FEB 10

LITURGIST: Meg Moore
FINANCE: Wayne Barfoot
BUS DRIVER: Gary Bergtholdt
COUNTERS: Bob Allsbrook
Ralph White

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEXT SUNDAY, FEB 17

LITURGIST: Tami Langford
FINANCE: Bill Diggs
BUS DRIVER: Ron & Sylvia Rumsey
COUNTERS: Brad Allsbrook
JoAnn Walberg

Chancel Flowers



The flowers on the chancel this morning
were given by Dennis Wright to his lovely wife, Brenda
for their 50th wedding anniversary!
Congratulations!

Next week:
Linda and Buddy Marushi

Stewardship Corner – Feb 3

Attendance: Worship Total: 71 Sunday school: 43

Offering Received last week:

General Fund	\$3,897.00
Designated Funds	\$479.33

2019 Budget

Total Budget: \$384,248.13
Needed each week: \$7,389.39



**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
Tami Langford
Tami Pollard
Adam Shlyk
Amanda Hooten
Mike Lulofs
Jackie Taylor
Sarah Kourtiche
Dean Shinn

**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);

Clyde Castle;

Chad Sayers (Winnie Barnes' grandson);

Jimmy Parker (friend of Carol Gardner);

Deborah Hudson (friend of Vince
Mundie);

Gerald E. Burks (friend of Vince Mundie);

Maddie Davis (student at Armstrong);

Howard family;

Vernon Kruger (friend of the Rumsey's);

Tim (friend of the Milholen's)

Ralph White's sister;

Dick Baughan (friend of Vince Mundie);

Patsy G. Maney (friend of Vince Mundie);

Linda Lowry (Linda Marushi's cousin);

Nancey (friend of Jane Miller)

Earl Gibson (friend of Buddy Marushi)

Aaron 'Bird' Martin (friend of Rich Foley)

Vicki Pogozeleski (Judy Rushton's
daughter)

Abdul Fattah Kourtiche (father of Sarah
and Hannah Kourtiche)

Bill Milholen (William's father)

Ken Foley (Rich Foley's brother)

And many others...



Believe in miracles and act accordingly

Talking to pastors of rapidly growing churches, we noticed a pattern. Somewhere, at some point, these churches experienced things that most churches only dream about. A gift of land is given to a church needing a permanent home. A leading area musician walks through the door of a church that has been praying for better worship music. A highly qualified, bright, passionate, talented, and faithful person gives up their well-paying full-time job to commit their energy to the church. The point is this: at some early stage, these churches had a miracle in which the Holy Spirit showed up in a surprising, unexpected, game-changing way. When we share this observation with other pastors, the initial reaction is often exasperation. After all, we cannot manufacture miracles. We can pray, sure. We can hope. But we can't make miracles happen. If church growth is dependent on the surprising, miracle-producing work of the Holy Spirit, then that leaves us pretty helpless. Or so we might think.

Miracles are happening everywhere ~ We started thinking more about these miracle stories from rapidly growing churches and talking to pastors whose churches may not be on the fast-growing list but nonetheless could name miracles that God was doing in their midst, and we discovered that this idea does not leave us helpless. Miracles are happening everywhere. In small towns and big cities, in wealthy churches and poor ones, in multisite megachurches and in rural four-point charges, miracles are happening. Some churches and church leaders live and work and act like they believe this, and others don't.

Believing that God is up to something is a game-changing decision ~ Acting as if we believe that the Holy Spirit is up to something in our midst is the single greatest game-changing decision a church leadership team can make. The growing-church pastors we interviewed believed that God was up to something, that God was going to do something significant. They were determined to be a part of it. Acting as if the Spirit is moving changes everything. For starters, we discovered that churches that believe in the miraculous movement of the Holy Spirit pray fervently, specifically, and boldly.

We act boldly when we expect God to work miracles ~ When we believe that God is up to something, even in our context, we pray differently, we see differently, and most importantly we begin to act differently. In the rapidly growing churches we studied, a belief in the miracle producing work of the Spirit led them to not only pray, to not only see, but ultimately to act. Such churches consistently make big bets and bold moves that other churches are afraid to make because they believe that the Spirit is at work. And if you want to get results that most churches don't get, you need to be willing to make decisions that most churches won't make. We must act boldly. We must act as if we expect God to do miracles. ~ **Lewis Center for Church Leadership**

Two summer conference internships available ~ Connectional Ministries of the Virginia Conference of The United Methodist Church is looking to select summer interns for two roles: Communications and Next Generation Ministries. CX-21 (Connections 21) is a 10-week full-time summer internship for college students interested in using their gifts/skills in a faith-centered work environment. In addition to each specific role, during the 10-week period interns will: read books/articles together; reflect on the intersection of faith and work; develop their strengths; listen to stories of others who have been through the journey of professional and vocational discernment. For details, visit the Virginia Conference website at www.vaumc.org/jobs.

February is Heart Havens month ~ Heart Havens is a Virginia Conference Advance Special mission that provides residential support to adults with a developmental disability, but it's so much more than just providing a house. Heart Havens empowers people to discover what it is they love and then pursue it. No matter what the goal is, Heart Havens is all about helping the people they support find a way to make their dreams a reality. When we make space for everyone in our churches and communities, we give them a chance to thrive and we often are blessed in return. Your gifts make their empowerment possible! Please make a donation to Heart Havens today. Visit www.hearthavens.org for more information.

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/.

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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