

The Steeple ■ September 15, 2019

8:30 AM | Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

9:30-9:45 AM | Holy Communion, Chapel

9:45 AM | Sunday School

11:00 AM | Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

11:00 AM | Anew Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Center



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Director of Coastal Samaritan
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Welcome

Thank you for being with us in worship this Sunday! Our mission at First Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We are inspired by the words of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, who encouraged believers to "do all the good you can, in all the ways you can."

Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00AM - 5:00PM; Closed Friday

Main Campus, 901 N. Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach SC 29577 ■ 843-448-7164

North Campus, Thomas N. Brittain Center (TNBC), 905 65th Ave N, Myrtle Beach SC 29572

FUMC Centennial Moments for September: **Music Ministry**

The Handbell choirs have been a vital part of First Church since the 1980s with Joe Hester directing and Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor. Starting with a 3-octave set of handbells at that time, this set remains in use today by the children's choirs. In the late 1990s, after the children's choir rehearsals were moved to the North Campus, a 5-octave set of Schulmerich Bells and 5-octave set of Handchimes were added for use by adults and children for musical worship opportunities in the sanctuary. As late as 2018, a generous donation was given for a 6-octave set of Handchimes which include the large bass chimes that stand upright behind the choir.

Over the years, the Children's Handchimes and Handbells have performed at various worship events in the church. The Adult Handbell Choir plays regularly for worship services. We have also traveled to share our musical contributions with various churches in South Carolina and North Carolina. For many years, the Adult Handbell choir performed at Brookgreen Gardens and theaters in the area. Currently, we are sharing our talents with several retirement homes in the greater Myrtle Beach area.

First Church is blessed to have volunteers who have been ringers in the choir for over 20 years as we continue to add new participants each year.

In life, we encounter circumstances that we would never have chosen for ourselves. At times, it can be tempting just to walk away. Let's join together this Advent season as



Joseph provides a great example of humbly obeying God even when we do not understand, faithfully moving forward in the strength that God provides. The **Advent Study** will be held on **Nov. 26th, Dec. 3rd, 10th, and 17th at 11:00 AM in The Parlor** with light refreshments. Please **reserve your book by October 10th** by contacting Jennifer Hupko, hupko@fumcmb.org. The Cost of each book is **\$8.50**.

If anyone is interested in an evening study, please let Jennifer Hupko know. If there is enough interest, one will be offered.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Love never fails." (1 Corinthians 13:8) "Thank God."

~ Big Tom

First Church Weekly Reading:

September 16	Job 28:12-23, 28
September 17	Proverbs 7:1-5
September 18	Psalms 37:16-26
September 19	James 3:13-18
September 20	Proverbs 8:1-11
September 21	Proverbs 8:12-21
September 22	Proverbs 8:1, 22-32

First Church invites you to follow this weekly Scripture reading plan if you don't already have one.

** Indicates: Uniform Series*

*International Lesson Series: Proverbs 8:1-3, 22-36
"God's First Creation"*

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes

0-2 year olds	Nursery
3 and 4 year-old preschool	Wesley 102
Kindergarten/First Grade	Wesley 201
2nd and 3rd Grades	Wesley 201
4th and 5th Grades	Wesley 201

Youth Classes

6th - 12th Grades	Sonshine House
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Adult Classes

Ark	Wesley 103
Brittain Fellowship	Asbury 101
Faith Foundations	Asbury 203
M.D. Moore *	Wesley 105
New Horizons	Asbury 201
New Ventures	The 925
Open Doors *	Wesley 104
Open Fellowship *	Music Center 101

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Monthly Mission in Motion for SEPTEMBER

Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach

needs our assistance!



Particularly **needed at this time** (individual and family size portions; bulk sizes not needed at this time):

Cereals, Grits (packets), Oatmeal (packets), Pork & Beans, Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti sauce, Powdered milk, Kool Aid;

Canned vegetables: Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Vegetables, Tomatoes (no green beans needed at this time)

The **funeral for Anne Crutchfield** will be held on **Monday, September 23, 2019 at 3:00 PM** in the Chapel. Private burial in the First Church Columbarium following the service.



HOLY COMMUNION is now be available **every Sunday from 9:30-9:45 AM** in the **Chapel** after early worship and before Sunday School. All are invited to receive holy communion.



During our worship services, we make **Little Church** available to children ages **3 years old to 2nd grade**. After the Children's Message time in the service, the children will be led to the Wesley Building for their worship time.

September 21st | 9AM-12PM

Join the First Church team for the Annual Beach Sweep, South Carolina's largest one-day volunteer cleanup event of its kind!

BEACH SWEEP

We will meet at the 8th Ave. North Beach access. Bags and gloves will be provided.

Come and help keep God's creation beautiful!

WE STILL NEED RUNNERS! Join the **FUMC** team to run in the **Myrtle Beach Mini-Marathon** on Sunday, **October 20** to raise **\$8,000** to benefit **Zoe Empowers**. To **run or donate**, contact **Rev. Meredith Dark** at **843-448-7164**. Donations by check may be made payable to FUMC and reference "Zoe".



First Church is grateful for the flowers that adorn our Sunday worship services in the Sanctuary that are given by individuals or families in honor or in memory of a loved one or for a special event. Due to recent increases in delivery and service charges, please note that flower donations will increase to \$175 as of November 3rd. Anyone wishing to sign up for Sunday flowers may contact Jennifer Julian, 843-448-7164, jennifer@fumcmb.org.



UM Youth Fellowship News: Youth activities...

Coming Up:

- Sept 15th:** The 925 & Parent's Meeting
Sept 17th: High School Breakfast & Devo
 @ Chick Fil-a
Sept 19th: Middle School Breakfast & Devo
 @ Bojangles
Sept 22nd: The 925

We need **Youth volunteers** for the **Sept 29th Centennial Celebration** to serve drinks. To sign up, contact Jennifer Hupko at hupko@fumcmb.org and receive a **free** volunteer **T-shirt!**



SAVE THE DATE—2020 Camp Dates:
June 7 - 12, 2020

Register for 2020 camp by December 31
to get 2019 rates!

Register at www.asburyhills.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS who joined First Church during Traditional Worship on September 8, 2019:

Megan Gist joining on transfer from First UMC, Elizabethton, TN.



Mary and Joe Saylor joining on transfer from another church in the area.

John and Celia Poupore joining on profession of faith.



First Church Myrtle Beach
Centennial Celebration - September 29th
10:00AM—2:00PM

Worship together at 10:00AM
 Lunch on the Lawn | 11:00AM—2:00PM
 Tented seating on the Lawn
 Indoor seating for lawn-challenged
 Live Music by our own Anew Praise Band
 Children's activities—Bouncy House
 Mr. Softee

Honored Guests
 City of Myrtle Beach Proclamation

TRANSPORTATION
 Contact the church office for assistance
PARKING
 Church property, city streets, city hall lot
 Golf Cart attendees available



Mother's Morning Out

The **Child Development Ministry (CDM)** is now offering **Mother's Morning Out** from **9AM-Noon, Monday through Friday**, weekly. The cost is **\$20/child per morning**. For more information, please **contact CDM at 843-692-9272**.

Financials and Attendance



Gifts (includes online giving)

Weeks of September 1 & 8, 2019:	\$ 31,742
Giving to-date:	\$ 742,156
Expenses to-date:	\$ 952,724

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence—Week of September 8, 2019

◆ Worship	502
◆ Sunday School	219

The First Church **Thrift Store Hours:** Mondays 9AM-12PM; Thursdays 1:00-4:00PM. Donations accepted during these times.

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Request Emailed *Steeple*: thesteeple@fumcmb.org Traditional Worship televised Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM, on FOX Channel 7

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, September 15, 2019

- 8:15-12:00 **Nursery Provided** WESLEY BLDG
8:30AM **Traditional Worship** SANCTUARY
9:30AM **Holy Communion** CHAPEL
9:45AM **Sunday School** MAIN CAMPUS
11:00AM **Traditional Worship** SANCTUARY
11:00AM **Anew Contemporary**
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER

MONDAY, September 16

- 9:00AM **Thrift Store** MAIN CAMPUS
3:00PM **Knit One Ministry** PARLOR
5:30PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
HANDBELL ROOM
5:30PM **Evangelism Committee**
PARLOR

TUESDAY, September 17

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFFICE/2nd FLR
11:00AM **Tennessee Collier Circle**
COVENANT TOWERS
6:00PM **Cloister Circle** DURANT HOME

WEDNESDAY, September 18

- 7:15AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
7:30AM **Men's Prayer Group** LIBRARY
1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
HANDBELL ROOM
3:15PM **Children's Bells & Choirs**
MAIN CAMPUS
5:00PM **Youth Choir**
MAIN CAMPUS
6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC ROOM

THURSDAY, September 19

- 5:30AM **F3 Bible Study**
TNBC-NORTH CAMPUS
10:00AM **Caregivers Group** PARLOR
1:00PM **Thrift Store** MAIN CAMPUS



Week—September 23-27



CENTENNIAL SUNDAY, September 29

- 9:00AM **Sunday School**
10:00AM **Combined Worship-Sanctuary**
11AM-2PM **Centennial Celebration**
Lunch on the Lawn

