



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ April 2, 2023

10:00AM* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM^ Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr

*Facebook livestreamed

^YouTube livestreamed

WELCOME

We are blessed to have you with us in worship this day!
Our mission: "Follow Jesus and Share Him with Others!"
Gather—Grow—Give—Go!

Order of Worship

Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

The liturgical color is purple symbolizing the season of self denial.

We lift up prayers for the nation, our community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

Prelude

"Ride On in Majesty"

Mansfield

(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Chiming of the Trinity

* Processional Hymn

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

UMH #280 v. 1,3,5

Choir, Handbells, Organ, Congregation

Children's Procession with Palms

* Affirmation of Faith

Jim Creel, Jr. | UMH #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* The Gloria Patri

UMH #70

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Rev. Joel McMakin

* Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

Al Wendler

Anthem

"Lest I Forget (Lead Me to Calvary)"

arr. Sorenson

Brady Cunningham, Heather Whitley, soloists

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Creel, Jr.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

(Children, ages 3 years old to 1st grade, may be dismissed at this time to Little Church.

Parents may pick up children after worship, room 201, Wesley Bldg.)

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time. Please register attendance.)

Offertory

"O Sacred Head"

Pachelbel

* The Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

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* Offertory Prayer		Mr. Creel, Jr.
* Preparatory Hymn	“The Summons”	TFWS #2130
* Sermon Text	Luke 9:22-27	
Sermon	“Total Surrender”	Rev. McMakin
Service of Word and Table		UMH #12
Communion Reflection		Susan Soehner, <i>Piano</i>
	<i>Pease feel free to pray at the altar. Communion offering may be left at the altar to benefit Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach.</i>	
* Closing Hymn	“Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone”	UMH #424
* Benediction		Rev. McMakin
Postlude	“Adagio in G Minor”	Albinoni

(* Please and as you are able.

<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Children</i>
Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew to register your attendance. Members may check-in on the Realm app on their mobile device. Sunday School Classes are available for children ages 3 through adult every Sunday from 9:00-9:50AM. ***Please ask the ushers for children’s Wiggle Bags, hearing devices or large print hymnals***	First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer “Little Church” to children ages 3 to 1st grade after the Children’s Message in worship. Little Church is a child-friendly “mini” worship service in room 201, Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.

We welcome everyone today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

The **flowers** in worship today are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Phyllis Marlette from David Marlette.

Worship Flowers are needed for May 21; June 4, 25. To reserve one of these dates or a future date to place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Trisha Tuite in the church office, trisha@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164 x207.

Virtual worship opportunities may be found on Facebook (fumcmb), on our website (www.fumcmb.org), on the mobile app (fumc mb), or Sundays at 10AM on WFXB (FOX TV7), and now on YouTube (@firstchurch6363).

Serving in Traditional Worship

GREETERS—APRIL

Front Entrance Darlene & Jack Rebeck **Office Entrance** Willa Wren

USHERS/Traditional—APRIL

Preston Bowers: Jackson Bowers, Neal Bowers, Clark Butler, Gene Butler, Tracy Conner, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan, Zachary McMillan, Dudley Robinson, Mark Sturzenbecker

ACOLYTE Wesley McMakin

BIBLE BEARER Max McMakin

CRUCIFER Sully Merchant

COMMUNION STEWARDS: John & Linda Lox, Ron & Mary Reichman

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO Scott Bowen

Serving in Contemporary Worship

Camera/Livestream Jason Gildner, Dorothy Hamrick **Slides** Jonathan Kittle

Lighting Jackson Uphold **Ushers** Lisa and Rusty Watson

Little Church Cait Neptune, Barbara Cherry

Communion Stewards: Lily Langway, Wake Haga



Monthly Mission Impact—APRIL

Helping Hand is a short-term crisis and referral agency and full-time pantry seeking to address the needs of our community not met by existing institutions, assisting individuals and families with immediate needs. **Opened/Expired items not accepted.** www.helpinghandmb.org



Ongoing needs: Peanut butter/jelly, mac & cheese, canned meat-tuna/chicken, instant potatoes, soups, canned spaghetti noodles or other pasta, spaghetti sauce, Ramen noodles, ravioli, rice, grits/oatmeal/cereal (box/individual pkts), pork & beans, Vienna sausage (beanie weenies), juice (bottles/pouches), PB crackers; shampoo/conditioner, deodorant men/women.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Robert Malcolm Moore

February 20, 1931—March 2, 2023

“I am the resurrection and the life; those that believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live.”

Condolences—The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Sandra Nystrom** and family on the recent passing of her sister, **Karen Rice**, in Richmond, VA; and to **Susan Smith** and family on the recent passing of her aunt, **Edith Joyner**, in Athens, GA.



“BIG TOM & FRIENDS” First Friday Men’s Lunch meets April 7, 2023, 11:30AM at Magnolia’s @ 26th, dining upstairs.
All men of the church are cordially invited. Steve Louk will bring the devotion.

BIBLE CHALLENGE—Read the New Testament in one year!

Week 14 (4/2/23) reading schedule (one chapter per day):
 Book of Luke, chapters 22-24, Book of John, chapters 1-2

Weekly Bible Study for all, Wednesdays, 1:15PM, Magnolia’s @ 26th, upstairs

Big Tom’s “A Quote”

“Give everyone a smile. Improve yourself so that you have no time to criticize others.”
 ~ Norman Vincent Peale, clergyman/author

First Church Weekly Readings:*

First Church invites you to follow this weekly Scripture lesson reading plan.

April 3	Isaiah 46:8-11
April 4	Matthew 19:23-26
April 5	Romans 15:18-21
April 6	John 17:1-3
April 6	1 Peter 5:4-11
April 7	Romans 15:7-13
April 8	Matthew 28:1-15

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series
 “Resurrection Turns Everything Downside Up”
 Matthew 28:1-15

Sunday School Classes

Children’s Classes (Wesley Bldg)
 0-2 year-olds W-101
 3 & 4 year-olds pre-K W-102
 Kindergarten/First Gr W-205
 2nd & 3rd Grades W-203
 4th & 5th Grades W-204

Youth Classes
 6th-12th Grades Sunshine House

Adult Classes (W=Wesley; A=Asbury)
 Ark The 925
 Brittain Fellowship A-101
 Faith Foundations/New Horizons A-203
 MD Moore* W-105
 Open Doors* W-103
 Open Fellowship* Music Ctr
 The Seekers A-207

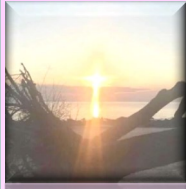


H O L Y W E E K



Maundy Thursday worship will be held on **April 6th at 7:00PM** in the Sanctuary. Pastor Joel will bring the Word on the Passover Meal and Jesus' crucifixion. Holy Communion will be celebrated followed by a ceremonial stripping of the Altar symbolizing Jesus' sacrificial death.

Easter Worship with First Church, **April 9th**



- 6:00AM** Easter Sunrise service at Plyler Park
Music—the Word—the Message
- 10:00AM** Easter Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:00AM** Easter Contemporary Worship in the Wesley Worship Center

On Easter morning, feel free to bring **fresh cut flowers** to place on the **"blooming" cross** on the front lawn and also at the Wesley Building entrance.



Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, April 12th at 11:30AM, Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs. Rhonda Singleton will share a devotion after a time of food and fellowship.

New Member Classes—4 sessions!
April 16, 23, 30, May 7 — 9:00AM to 9:50AM
Wesley Resource Library (Room W-104)

For more information, please contact **Pastor Michelle**,
843-448-7164 x203 or mdlouk@umcsc.org.



HELPING HAND
OF MYRTLE BEACH

Helping Hand (HH) was started by FUMC in 1971 as an outreach to help teenage visitors to Myrtle Beach. Having incorporated in 1976, its services were extended to help transients and locals of all ages with short term assistance including a food pantry, rent and utility assistance, transportation (bus tickets), prescription drugs, and SNAP applications. They assisted 4,365 households in 2022 (34% increase over 2021). We can be proud of our connection with Helping Hand and the support given by First Church members.



Youth Schedule...

April 2-9: No Youth (Spring Break week)
 April 12: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-Fil-A
 April 16: 5:15PM Youth @ North Campus
 April 30: Confirmation Sunday
 Combined worship, 10AM, Sanctuary
 May 7: Senior Sunday

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS

PARENTS, we will acknowledge our high school and college **graduating seniors** on **Sunday, May 7th** to recognize the great achievement in the life of your child. Send information to **Pastor Chad**, cwmullinix@umcsc.org, or 843-448-7164. Please provide your student's full name, high school, college, and planned study, degree, or path.



HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!



All **graduating seniors** are invited to **apply for a college scholarship** through FUMCMB. Find the Application form online at www.fumcmb.org. Submit **Applications (deadline, April 20th)** to church administrator, **Greg Clemmons**, administrator@fumcmb.org.

Many thanks to those who gave support to the **Butter Braid Pastry** fundraiser for UWF which raised \$1,170 to benefit mission projects.

Thank you!



United Watch for information soon from First Church United Women Women in Faith about a **dinner on May 9th** for mothers, daughters, grandmothers, aunts, and nieces. A **wedding dress fashion show** will be featured!



Thanks for Your Support!

Give electronically with a cell phone. **Scan the QR** code below with your phone's camera, then tap the link at the top of the screen to open VENMO to give.



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Financials and Attendance

As of 3/26/2023 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of:	\$ 26,368
Total Revenue YTD:	\$ 373,007
Total Expenses YTD:	\$ 403,017
Difference YTD:	- \$ 30,010

Expenses include monthly apportionments & direct billing.

Faith Promise 2023:	\$ 110,760
Faith Promise Receipts 2023:	\$ 20,712

Presence 3/26/2023

◆ Worship in person:	380
◆ Fox TV (Jan. wkly est)	2,925
◆ Worship online:	999
◆ Social Media:	2,472
◆ Sunday School:	165

First Church Thrift Store—Mondays: 9AM-1PM and Thursdays: 1-4PM

Mailing address: First United Methodist Church, PO Box 1367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

Phone: 843-448-7164

Email: office@fumcmb.org

Website: www.fumcmb.org

Follow on Facebook: FUMCMB

Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)

YouTube: [@firstchurch6363](https://www.youtube.com/@firstchurch6363)

Request *The Steeple* via email: thesteeple@fumcmb.org

Televised worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7

Contemporary Worship
Sunday, 10AM
Wesley Worship Center

Join us for a casual time to commune with God and to worship in song. Enjoy a cup of coffee before worship, visit, and get to know us and First Church!

Pastor Michelle will bring the message on Sunday.



FUMC Thrift Store is a ministry offering clothing and other items at great prices. The Store is located in the building behind the church and is open to all for their shopping needs. Stop by to shop the deals! We accept **donations during Store hours**. Please DO NOT leave donated items outside the store.

STORE HOURS:
Mondays 9AM—NOON
Thursdays 1PM—4PM

Upcoming Dates to Note



- 4/6 Maundy Thursday
7PM worship, Sanctuary
- 4/7 Good Friday— No service
- 4/9 **Easter**
6:00AM Sunrise worship at Plyler Park
10AM Traditional worship, Sanctuary
10AM Contemporary worship, Wesley Worship Center
- 4/10 Easter Monday
Church Office CLOSED
Thrift Store CLOSED
- 4/30 Confirmation Sunday, 10AM
Combined Worship, Sanctuary
- 5/7 Senior Sunday
- 5/9 UWF Dinner/Fashion Show
Details coming soon

Happening This Week



PALM SUNDAY, April 2, 2023

- 8:30A-11 AM **Nursery Provided** WESLEY CTR
- 9:00AM **Sunday School** all ages
- 10:00AM **Traditional Worship***
SANCTUARY *Facebook
- 10:00AM **Contemporary Worship^**
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR ^YouTube

MONDAY, April 3

- 9A-Noon **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 2:00PM **Prayer Shawl Ministry**
PARLOR
- 5:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BUILDING

TUESDAY, April 4

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 10:00AM **UWF Exec Board Mtg**
PARLOR
- 5:00PM **Evangelism Committee**
PARLOR
- 6:00PM **Worship Committee**
OFC-2nd FLR

WEDNESDAY, April 5

- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BUILDING
- 1:15PM **Bible Study** MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th
- 6-8PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC SUITE

THURSDAY, April 6

- 10:00AM **Caregivers Group** PARLOR
- 1-4PM **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL
- 7:00PM **Maundy Thursday Worship**
SANCTUARY

FRIDAY, April 7

- 11:30AM **Big Tom & Friends**
Men's Lunch @ MAGNOLIA'S

SATURDAY, April 8

- 9-11 AM **Choirs & Brass Rehearsal**
SANCTUARY

Ministers

Rev. Joel W. McMakin, Senior Pastor **Rev. Michelle D. Louk, Associate Pastor**
Rev. Chad W. Mullinix, Youth Director **Rev. Thomas N. Brittain, Pastor Emeritus**



Missions Committee Distribution of Funds Report-to-Date April 2, 2023

One principle as a United Methodist is in John Wesley's passion to help others. With your support, First United Methodist Church is fulfilling that passion. Below are our distributions of funds to-date.

With funds carried over from 2022 combined with the 2023 Faith Promise receipts, the following has been accomplished:

- **AFRICA UNIVERSITY \$6,000** – 1st year tuition for Gabriela Tinga, (Paid in Full for 2023)
- **CASS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES \$4,250** – Support United Methodist in Detroit, MI for homeless men, women, and children
- **EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME \$1,750** – Serving children, youth, and families in SC
- **GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL \$2,500** – Making the Word of God available to everyone
- **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MB \$1,750** – Providing individuals a decent place to live
- **HELPING HAND OF MYRTLE BEACH \$6,500** – Providing assistance in short-term crisis intervention
- **NEW DIRECTIONS \$8,000** – Provider of shelter in Horry County
- **PROJECT AGAPE \$4,000** – Support Christians in Armenia
- **RACEPATH COMMUNITY (Phoenix Renaissance) \$2,100** – Provide after school & summer programs for neighborhood children
- **ZOE EMPOWERS \$4,500** – Equipping orphaned children with the skills for long-term success in Africa

Total disbursements to-date of **\$41,350** covers our First and most of Second Quarter funding to mission organizations accepted as worthy projects.

Following is a breakdown of geographical distributions:

- Local \$20,850
- Regional \$1,750
- National \$4,250
- Global \$14,500

Through your Faith Promise receipts, we are making a difference and helping others. If you have met your Faith Promise, we thank you; if you are meeting your Promise, please know your continued support means doing God's Work!

Sincerely, Scott Bowen, Penny Hale, Co-chairpersons

***MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS
FOR MARCH 2023 BULLETIN***

IN MEMORY OF:

David Anderson

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Loreen Glandt

United Women in Faith (TV Ministry)
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Lautrelle Merchant Circle (TV Ministry)

Bob Moore

Carrie Inabinet & Family (Memorial Fund)

IN HONOR OF:

Madelyn James Wagenseil

Austin Charles Wagenseil

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Maria Springs & Jackson Keith

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)