The Steeple April 24, 2022



SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30AM* & 11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary 11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

*also Facebook Live-stream DISCONTINUED Monday Night Worship

Welcome

Thank you for being with us in worship this Sunday! Our mission 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."

Order of Worship

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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

Prelude "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" arr. Rudolf Moser (*The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.*)

Welcome

* The Chiming of the Hour (congregation stands)

* Opening Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy"

UMH #64

Jim Creel, Jr.

Rev. Meredith M. Dark 8:30 | 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

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dark 8:30

The Lord's Prayer

* Affirmation of Faith

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.

11:00 Children's Message

Yvonne Brittain

11:00 | Children 3 years old to 1st grade are invited to attend Little Church. Please pick them up following the service in 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 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" arr. Richard Wienhorst

* The Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

* Offertory Prayer

Rev. Dark 8:30

(Continued on the next page.)

* Preparatory Hymn	"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"		UMH #420		
* Sermon Text	John 20:19-31		Rev. John Lox 8:30 Debbie Conner 11:00		
Anthem	"To Love Our God" Laverne Mohl, soloist		arr. Hayes		
Sermon	"No More Doubts"		Mr. Creel		
* Closing Hymn	"Turn Your I	Eyes Upon Jesus"	UMH #349		
* Benediction			Mr. Creel		
Postlude	"Jesus Christ,	My Sure Defense"	arr. J.S. Bach		
(*) Stand as you are able.					
Attendance Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew for everyone to register their attendance. Sunday School Classes are available for Children ages 3 through Adult every Sunday from 9:45-10:45AM. ***Ask the ushers for children's Wiggle Bags, hearing devices or large print hymnals***		<i>Children</i> First Church invites families to worship together. We offer "Little Church" to children ages 3 through 1st grade following the Children's Message in 11AM worship. Little Church is a child-friendly "mini" worship service in room 201 of the Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.			
 in honor of Morgan Clemmons on her 19th birthday. Flowers are needed for the following dates: July 31; August 21. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Melinda Morgan in the church office, 843-448-7164 or melinda@fumcmb.org. We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together. Traditional Worship 8:30AM and Contemporary Worship 11AM are Livestreamed on Facebook. Worship videos are available on the website (fumcmb.org), on the mobile app, or on delayed broadcast Sundays at 10AM on WFXB (FOX ch 7). 					
Worship Guidelines: Please join us for worship as your health permits. We ask for personal discretion on Distancing; Masks are optional.					
Assisting in Worship					
GREETERS—April 8:30 Front Brenda Bellar 8:30 Office Jean Clemm		1:00 Front Lesa & G 1:00 Office Sharri H			
USHERS—April 8:30AM Toby Ward, Harold Branton: Ann Andrews, Ron Andrews, Jerry Champion, Clayllene Gore, Jack Rebeck, Gene Singleton					
11:00AM Annette Willett: Denise Daniels, Glen Daniels, Carol Anne Felts, Ronnie Felts, Dabney Joyner, John Poupore, Beth Rozier, Jim Rozier, Ed Willett					
ACOLYTE 8:30 Sully BIBLE BEARER 8:30 Dunk CRUCIFER	ar Brittain 1	11:00 James Hamrick 11:00 Samuel Hamric 11:00 Dorothy Hamric	k		
VIDEO Jim Lewis		elinda Morgan cott Bowen	FIRST CHURCH		

onthly Mission in Motion—APRIL

The Missions Committee has selected Racepath Community Center for its April financial support as well as tangible needs for the Center to help their summer program for area children, ages 4-12. Find out more about RacePath at www.phoenixrenaissancemb.com.

"Wish List": Construction paper, puzzles, paints, canvases, paintbrushes, colored pencils, crayons, coloring books, games, jump ropes, footballs, basketballs, kickballs, G-rated DVDs, non-perishable healthy snacks (fruit, nuts, etc).

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Did you know that in the last year Epworth Children's Home served over 1,000 children and families? Each of these children had this opportunity because of United Methodist churches in South Carolina who embrace and provide for this ministry in support of the children and families in our state. We will participate in the annual Mother's Day



Offering on Sunday, May 8th, 2022, to benefit the children who call Epworth home, as well as each child and family touched by Epworth's ministries. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Going Forth Love Offerings for our Pastors

Those who wish to give to the Love Offerings for Rev. George and Rev. Meredith may write separate checks to FUMC, noting on the memo line either "Love Offering-George" or "Love Offering—Meredith". Gifts may be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office by June 2nd.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Yesterday is the past; tomorrow is the future; but today is a gift. That is why it is called the present." ~ Bil Keane, cartoonist (The Family Circus)

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First Church Weekly Readings: *		Sunday School Classes		
weekly Scri already hav Apr 25 Apr 26 Apr 27 Apr 28	Genesis 2:15-17 Leviticus 25:23-28 Genesis 9:8-11 Genesis 9:12-16	Children's Classes 0-2 year-olds 3 and 4 year-old pre Kindergarten/First Gr 2nd and 3rd Grades 4th and 5th Grades <u>Youth Classes</u> 6th - 12th Grades So	Nursery Wesley 102 Wesley 205 Wesley 203 Wesley 204 nshine House	
	Numbers 35:30-34 Revelation 11:17-19 Leviticus 25:1-13 ries International Lesson Series: "A Sabbath Jubilee" Leviticus 25	Adult Classes Ark Brittain Fellowship Faith Foundations MD Moore* New Horizons Open Doors* Open Fellowshin* Mu	The 925 Asbury 101 Asbury 103 Wesley 105 Asbury 201 Wesley 103	

Open Fellowship* Music Center 101



All men of the church are cordially invited to join Big Tom and Harry Gardner for our Monthly Men's Luncheon on Friday, May 6th, 11:30AM at Magnolia's @ 26th. We will meet upstairs; an elevator is located in the rear of the restaurant for convenience.

Please accept our sincere thanks for your generous donation. Your contribution will help maintain badly needed services for those in need within our community. Last year, we served over 9,000 clients and their families, so we know that the need is ongoing. We are so grateful for your support. Sincerely, Ashley Silvey, Executive Director



REALM CONNECT—Thank You to the 107 members who have logged in to Realm Connect—the online member directory for First Church. Below is the full set of instructions to create your online account.

CONNECT TO THE FIRST CHURCH ONLINE DIRECTORY THROUGH REALM CONNECT

that invite to begin the process in Step 2 below.

First United Methodist Church: Our Ministry Needs You



Methodist Church

First United

 melinda@fumcmb.org
 or 843-448-7164.
 Step 2: The "Invite" from First United Methodist Church was sent to your email address on file with the church. If you have not received it, please look in your Spam or Junk folder and Move it to your Inbox, or call the church office to request another invite.

in early February and recently, on March 17th. You may use

Melinda Morgan in the church office to request a Realm Invite;

If you have not received the "invite", please email or call

Step 3: Open the email and <u>scroll down</u> on the screen to the "Create Account" instructions. Click on the <u>link to create your</u> <u>account</u>. Enter your email address to which the invite was sent.

Step 4: After entering your <u>email address as the "user ID"</u>, please <u>create a password</u> per the instructions. Click the "register" link to complete new account process.

Realm data is securely encrypted.

Continue to Step 5 below.

DOWNLOAD THE REALM CONNECT APP TO YOUR MOBILE DEVICE

Step 5: You will receive an <u>email confirmation to verify</u> your account. <u>Click on the verify link</u> and follow instructions to <u>download the Realm Connect App</u> from your phone or mobile device's App Store (Apple or Android/Google).



Step 6: After downloading the App, <u>open the app</u> on your phone or mobile device, <u>log-in</u> to your account (just created) and begin to use the Realm app to access the First Church online directory.

Step 7: Find the <u>"looking glass" icon</u> at the top (or bottom) of your device's screen <u>to search</u> by name (first or last).

- Searches will provide member name, phone number, mailing address, email address, birth date (no year) and associated church groups.
- Personal financial information is not available to anyone except the user.
- Group detail searches will be available in the near future.

Youth Schedule...

Apr 24: 5-7:15PM Youth @ North Campus Apr 27: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast Chick-Fil-A (Seaboard St) May 1: 5-7:15PM Youth @ North Campus

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

May 15 Confirmation Sunday (8:30AM Trad; 11AM Contemporary) May 22 Senior Sunday (8:30AM Traditional; 11AM Contemporary) June 12 Youth Sunday July 16-23 Salkehatchie





2022 CCMF Pre-paid Parking Pass on FUMC property is available on a limited basis for \$75 (cash or check) covering all 4 days, June 9-12. Please see Melinda Morgan in the church office during office hours to purchase a pass or for more information.

Financials and Attendance

Give electronically with a cell phone. Scan the QR code below with your phone's camera, then	Gifts as of 4/17/2022 (includes Giving week of: Giving YTD 2022: Expenses YTD 2022: Difference YTD 2022: Expenses include weekly apportionment	\$ 35,381 \$ 507,618 \$ 458,580 \$ 49,038
tap the link at the top of the screen to open VENMO to give.	Missions Faith Promise: Faith Promise Receipts:	\$ 91,518 \$ 45,622
	 Presence 4/17/2022 Worship 4/17/22: Holy Week 4/14 & 4/15: Fox TV (March wkly est) Worship Facebook/Web: All Social Media: Sunday School: 	720 145 1,600 827 2,368 82

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Contemporary Worship Sunday, 11AM Wesley Worship Center

Join us for an upbeat, 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 Meredith will bring this Sunday's message from John 20:19-31. See you Sunday!

Thank you

The family of Bill Rodwell would like to thank our church members for the many calls, texts, cards, prayers, love and support following the recent passing of Bill's mother, Varnie Herlong Rodwell. She lived a wonderful 99 years!

~ The Bill Rodwell Family



Please welcome new members, **The Hamrick Family (I-r: James, Jimmy, Betsy, Samuel, Dorothy)**, who joined First Church in Contemporary worship on March 13, 2022 by transfer of letter from St. Mark's UMC, Brandon, Mississippi.



Happening This Week

SUNDAY, April 24, 2022

8:30-Noon Nursery Provided Wesley CTR 8:30AM Traditional Worship SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE

9:45AM Sunday School—All Ages 11:00AM Contemporary Worship

WESLEY WORSHIP CTR | FACEBOOK 11:00AM Traditional Worship

4:15PM Children's Music/Handbells WESLEY CENTER

5:00PM Youth Group NORTH CAMPUS

MONDAY, April 25

9A-12PM Thrift Store Open 5:30PM Adult Handbells WESLEY CTR

TUESDAY, April 26

9:00AM Staff Meeting OFC-2nd FLOOR 2:30PM Congregational Care Mtg PARLOR 5:30PM SPRC Meeting PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, April 27

- 7:15AM Youth Breakfast/Devo CHICK FIL-A (Seaboard)
- 7:30AM Women's Prayer Group PRAYER ROOM
- 1:00PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER
- 6:30PM Adult Chancel Choir MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, April 28

9A-12PM Library 1-4PM Thrift Store Open 5:30PM Band Rehearsal WESLEY CTR 5:30PM Lions Club THE 925 6:00PM Living Free BRITTAIN FELLOWSHIP

LOOKING AHEAD IN OUR CHURCH LIFE

May 8—Mother's Day Epworth Offering May 15—Confirmation Sunday May 22—Senior Sunday June 12—Youth Sunday June 19—Father's Day July 10-14—Vacation Bible School

<u>Ministers</u>

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle, Senior Pastor Rev. Meredith M. Dark, Nurture Pastor Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor Emeritus

