



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ December 4, 2022

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

*Facebook Live-stream



2ND SUNDAY of Advent

WELCOME

We are blessed to have you with us in worship this day!
Our mission: "Follow Jesus! Share Him with Others!"

Order of Worship

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

The liturgical color is purple, symbolizing the watching and waiting for the Messiah to come.

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

Prelude Reflection on "Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming" arr. John Carter
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace Rev. Michelle Louk

*** Chiming of the Hour**

*** Opening Hymn** "Once in Royal David's City" UMH #250

*** Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Chad Mullinix | 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

Advent Wreath Lighting Peace Linda & John Lox **8:30**
Al Wendler **11:00**

Anthem "Prepare the Way of the Lord" arr. Harlan

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Mullinix

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.

8:30 Sacrament of Holy Baptism UMH #39

Olive Huxley Elliott
Congregational Hymn "Child of Blessing" UMH #611

(11:00—Children 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 "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" arr. D.S. Ferguson

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

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* Offertory Prayer		Rev. Mullinix
* Hymn of Preparation	“Let There Be Peace on Earth”	UMH #431
* Sermon Text	Matthew 1:18-24	Rev. Louk
Sermon	“A Righteous Man”	Rev. Louk
Service of Word and Table		UMH #12
Communion Hymns	UMH #626; #216	D. Scott Ferguson, <i>Organ</i>
	<i>Please feel free to pray at the altar. Communion offering may be left at the altar to benefit New Directions Family Shelter and Help4Kids.</i>	
* Closing Hymn	“Sing We Now of Christmas”	UMH #237
* Benediction		Rev. Louk
Postlude	Fantasia on “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”	Gene Clark

(*) Please and as you are able.

Attendance

Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew to **register your attendance or check-in on the Realm app on your mobile device.**

Sunday School

Classes are available for children ages 3 through adult every Sunday from 9:45-10:45AM.

****Please ask the ushers for children’s Wiggle Bags, hearing devices or large print hymnals****

Children

First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer “Little Church” to children **ages 3 through 1st grade** after the 11AM Children’s Time. 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.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together. Please register your attendance in the pew pad.

The **Flowers** in worship today are given for the glory of God and in memory of Bob Poston by Phyllis Poston on what would have been their 64th wedding anniversary.

Flowers are needed for Jan 8, 15, 22; Feb. 5, 12, 19. 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, 843-448-7164 x207 or trisha@fumcmb.org.

Traditional Worship at 8:30AM and Contemporary Worship at 11AM are Livestreamed on Facebook. Worship videos are also available on the website (www.fumcmb.org), on the mobile app, or on WFXB (FOX TV7) delayed broadcast, Sundays at 10AM.

Serving in Worship

GREETERS—DECEMBER

8:30 Front Jean Clemmons

11:00 Front Ann Anderson

8:30 Office Nita Letts

11:00 Office Brenda and Norman Bennett

USHERS—DECEMBER

8:30 Tom Winn: Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Winn Singleton, Judy Winn

11:00 Preston Bowers: Jackson Bowers, Neal Bowers, Dudley Robinson, Mark Sturzenbecker

Acolyte

11:00 Meredith Bowers

Bible Bearer

11:00 Andrew Langway

Crucifer

11:00 Lily Langway

Communion Stewards **8:30** Mary & Ron Reichman **11:00** Rosalin & Dudley Robinson

Video Jim Lewis

Audio **8:30** Scott Bowen

Serving in Contemporary Worship

Livestream Jason Gildner

Slides Ethan Gildner or Jonathan Kittle

Ushers Don Myers, Daniel Shuler, and/or Mary Margaret Kittle



Monthly Mission Impact—DECEMBER


First Church is sponsoring a **COAT DRIVE** for all ages to benefit **New Directions Family Shelter and Help4Kids**. Only **new coats** will be accepted. Please drop off coats to the collection bins located in all worship entrances and the church office. Your support is appreciated.



IN REMEMBRANCE
Florene Arden “Cookie” Cochenour
December 31, 1929—November 19, 2022
 “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 **Emma Ruth Brittain** and family on the passing of her sister, **Mary Ellen Howell**, on November 21, 2022.

Ladies Lunch & Devotion
Wednesday, December 14th at 11:30AM, Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs. Missi McMakin will bring the devotion after a time of food and fellowship.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CAROLING
Sunday, Dec. 18th @ 2PM Meet at CDM to bus around spreading Christmas Joy!

Parents, join us at 4:30PM at the Brittain Center for a pizza party, Christmas bingo, cookie decorating and crafts.



SCAN TO REGISTER

Big Tom's “A Quote”
 “To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift.”
 ~ Steve Prefontaine, long-distance runner

Worship Guidelines: Please join us for worship as your health permits. We respect personal discretion on masks. Please silence cell phones during worship.

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Dec 5	Deuteronomy 22:13-17
Dec 6	Esther 1:10-20
Dec 7	Esther 2:1-4
Dec 8	Romans 10:5-13
Dec 9	1 Corinthians 4:3-5
Dec 10	1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Dec 11	Matthew 1:18-24

**Uniform Series International Lesson Series:
 “Doing the Right Thing”
 Matthew 1:1-24*

Sunday School Classes

<u>Children's Classes</u> (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
<u>Youth Classes</u>	
6th-12th Grades	Sonshine House
<u>Adult Classes</u>	
Ark	The 925
Brittain Fellowship	Asbury 101
Faith Foundations	Asbury 103
MD Moore*	Wesley 105
New Horizons	Asbury 201
Open Doors*	Wesley 103
Open Fellowship*	Music Center 101

Welcome Snowbirds & Seagulls!

Snowbirds & Seagulls ministry is a **weekly program** held from **January through March**. This ministry is for the **local and snowbird senior adults**. Weekly programs are held on Thursday mornings, and weekly golf outings take place on Tuesday mornings. Information packets and applications are available on the church website or in the church office. For more information, please contact **Scott Bowen, 843-448-7164**. Weekly programs and Tournament Winners will be shown here and posted on the website. **All meals, \$5.00 per person.**



Light refreshments before and after the children's 10AM program will be available in the parlor for all to enjoy!



The **Cloister Circle** is sponsoring its annual **Poinsettia fundraiser** to adorn our worship spaces during Christmas week. Order forms are available at all worship entrances and in the church office. Plants are **\$16 each** and may be given "in memory of or in honor of a loved one". Proceeds will benefit **A Safe Place**, a local Outreach Center for victims of human trafficking. Please make checks payable to FUMC, note "Poinsettia". Orders are **due by Dec 12th**. www.asafelacetogo.com

A NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE IN 2023!

Beginning January 8, 2023, our new worship and Sunday school hours will convert as follows:

9:00-9:50AM Sunday School (all ages)

10:00AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Center

AND, beginning 1/29/2023—the 5th Sunday of the month (quarterly) will be a Combined Traditional & Contemporary worship experience in the Sanctuary at 10:00AM; the Sunday School hour will remain at 9AM.



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**



Community Kitchen
Of Myrtle Beach

Please volunteer and support our church by giving your time to one of our local mission organizations. **FUMC** provides volunteers at Community Kitchen in Myrtle Beach four weeks per year. Our next week to provide service is **Monday thru Friday, January 2-6, 2023**. Two volunteers are needed for each shift per day.

Breakfast: 7:00AM-10:00AM | Lunch: 10:00AM-1:30PM

Please contact Michelle Bowers 843-655-2253 to volunteer.

Sisters in Service

BBQ/Mission Fundraiser

\$10 per plate

TAKEOUT ONLY WESLEY HALL

BBQ, Rice & Gravy
Baked Beans, Cole Slaw
Bread, Dessert

ORDER TICKETS NOW
from any Circle member
8 JAN 2023
11:15 TO 1PM



Youth Schedule...



- Dec 4: 5PM Youth** shopping for Shepherd's Child Meet at North Campus
- Dec 7: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast** Chick Fil-a, Seaboard St.
- Dec 11: 11AM Youth** prep for Shepherd's Child
- Dec 18: 5PM Youth Progressive Dinner**

REVOLUTION—January 27-29, 2023—3-day youth event in Columbia SC. **Registration deadline is 12/21**; register at <http://scmyp.org/revolution/>. Revolution began in 2010 to provide a place for young people in South Carolina to have a powerful, life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

REVOLUTION

ABCs needed to serve for Christmas Eve Services

Acolyte, Bible Bearer, and Crucifers are needed for **3PM and 7PM** Traditional services on **Christmas Eve**. Parents, if your child or children are available to serve, please **contact Michelle Bowers at 843-655-2253**.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Saturday, December 24th

- 3:00PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary**
- 5:00PM Family Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr**
- 7:00PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary**

Christmas Day, Combined Worship @ 10AM, Sanctuary
Children in pajamas welcomed on Christmas morning!



Financials and Attendance

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.



venmo

As of 11/27/2022 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of:	\$ 33,585
Total Revenue YTD 2022:	\$ 1,571,604
Total Expenses YTD 2022:	\$ 1,564,201
Difference YTD 2022:	\$ 7,403

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Missions Faith Promise:	\$ 101,000
Faith Promise Receipts:	\$ 115,835

Presence 11/27/2022

◆ Worship:	394
◆ Fox TV (Sept wkly est)	1,725
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	502
◆ All Social Media:	1,356
◆ Sunday School:	144

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: www.facebook.com/FUMCMB Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)
 Request emailed **Steeple: thesteeple@fumcmb.org**
 Televised worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7

**Contemporary Worship
Sunday, 11AM
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 Joel will bring the message.

Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to



Eleanor Rose Burr on

November 27, 2022 in 11AM traditional worship by Rev. Joel McMakin and Rev. Regi

Thackston (great-grandfather). Eleanor is the daughter of Sally and Aaron Burr.

**CHECK OUT THE
UPCOMING SCHEDULE!**

- 12/11 Children's Christmas Program
10AM, Sanctuary
- 12/11 Shepherd's Child, Noon
- 12/14 Ladies Lunch/Devotion
- 12/18 Christmas Music in Worship
8:30 & 11AM, Sanctuary
- 12/18 Children's Caroling, 1:30PM
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Candlelight
3PM & 7PM Traditional
5PM Family Contemporary
- 12/25 Christmas Day Worship
One Combined Service
10AM, Sanctuary
- 1/1/23 New Year's Day Worship
One Combined Service
10AM, Sanctuary

Happening This Week



SUNDAY, December 4, 2022

- 8:30-12PM **Nursery Provided** WESLEY CTR
- 8:30AM **Traditional Worship***
SANCTUARY *Livestreamed
- 9:45AM **Sunday School**—All Ages
- 11:00AM **Contemporary Worship***
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER
- 11:00AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY
- 4:15PM **Children's Choirs**
WESLEY BUILDING
- 5:00PM **Youth @ North Campus**
Shepherd Child Shopping

MONDAY, Dec 5

- 9A-Noon **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 3:00PM **Prayer Shawl Ministry** PAROR
- 5:30PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BUILDING

TUESDAY, Dec 6

- 10:00AM **UWF Exec Board Mtg** PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, Dec 7

- 7:15AM **Youth Prayer Breakfast**
CHICK FIL-A, SEABOARD ST
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY CENTER
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, Dec 8

- 10:00AM **Library**
- 1-4PM **Thrift Store Open**
- 5:00PM **Ark Class Christmas Dinner**
THE 925
- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL
- 6:00PM **Living Free** BRITAIN FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY, Dec 9

- 11:30AM **Ann Herbert Circle**
LUNCH—SEA CAPTAIN'S HOUSE

PECANS available for purchase before and after Sunday worship in the church office. Proceeds to missions.



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**



*MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS
FOR NOVEMBER 2022 BULLETIN*

IN MEMORY OF:

Harrison Clemmons

James & Beth Rozier (Memorial Fund)

Arlene Godbold

Neil & Donna Trask (Memorial Fund)
Emily Ann Skews (TV Ministry)
Pete & Jo Pearce (TV Ministry)

Janice Hall

Davis & Ida Hussey (Memorial Fund)
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Mamie Leach

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Lisa Page

Ed & Annette Willett (Flower Fund)

June Richardson

Hartley & Kevin Forte (TV Ministry)
James Richardson (TV Ministry)
Julie Trask & Jim Richardson (TV Ministry)
Mark Pugh, Hartley & Julie Trask (TV Ministry)

Gael Sansbury

Rhett Sansbury (General Funds)

Doug Shaw

His Family (Youth Fund)

Edith Skinner

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Emily Ann Skews (TV Ministry)
Brittain Fellowship Class (TV Ministry)
Ruell & Deborah Hicks (TV Ministry)
Sisters in Service Circle (TV Ministry)

Larry Stagg

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Tone Trask

Hartley Trask Forte (TV Ministry)
James Richardson (TV Ministry)
Mark Pugh, Hartley & Julie Trask (TV Ministry)

IN HONOR OF:

Ann Anderson

Judy Winn (Youth Fund)
Tennessee Collier Circle (College Ministry)

Preston Bowers

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Tom Brittain

Julie Trask & Mark Pugh (Summer Camp Endowment)

Norman McQueen

Ed & Annette Willett (Chancel Choir Fund)

Rhonda Singleton

Tennessee Collier Circle (Chancel Choir Fund)

Rhonda Slavish

Judy Winn (Chancel Choir Fund)
Tennessee Collier Circle (Chancel Choir Fund)

Order Your Poinsettias Today!



The Cloister Circle is offering the opportunity to make the holidays bright and our worship spaces beautiful. Take a moment to honor or remember a loved one with a lovely poinsettia. Poinsettias are **\$16.00** each and payment *must accompany your order* (one form per order). Forms may be placed in the offering plate or turned in to the church office—

On or BEFORE Sunday, DECEMBER 12th.

All proceeds will benefit A Safe Place, Outreach Center.

PLEASE PRINT

I would like to give a poinsettia

___ In MEMORY OF: _____

OR

___ In HONOR OF: _____

My **check** ___ / **cash** ___ in the amount of \$16.00 is attached.
Please make checks payable to First UMC and note "Poinsettia."

Given by (PLEASE PRINT): _____

Home Phone: _____ **Work/Cell Phone:** _____

Poinsettias may be picked up on a first come, first served basis following worship on Sunday, December 25th.