



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ February 5, 2023

10:00AM* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM^ Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr

*Facebook livestream ^YouTube livestream

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

5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023

The liturgical color is white celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion.

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

Prelude "Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" arr. Karrin Ford
Darleen Smith, Organ; Roselle Williamson, Piano
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace Rev. Joel McMakin

* **Chiming of the Trinity**

* **Opening Hymn** "Come, Thou Almighty King" UMH #61

* **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

* **Scripture Reading** Matthew 9:35-38 Denise Daniels

Anthem "Then Will the Very Rocks Cry Out" arr. Hayes

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.

*(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 "In the Garden" arr. Hayes/Gaspard

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

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Mullinix

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* Preparatory Hymn	“I Love to Tell the Story”	UMH #156
* Sermon Text	1 Peter 3:14-18	
Sermon	“Spiritual Growth Pathway: Go”	Rev. McMakin
Service of Word and Table		UMH #12
Communion Reflection	“Meditation on the Cross of Christ”	arr. Phillips
	“Were You There”, “When I Survey”, “Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”	
	“Break Thou the Bread of Life”	arr. Ford
	<i>Communion offering may be left at the altar and will benefit New Directions Shelters.</i>	
* Closing Hymn	“My Hope is Built”	UMH #368 (v. 1, 4)
* Benediction		Rev. McMakin
Postlude	“Just a Closer Walk”	arr. Rosa Rio

(* Please and as you are able.)

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

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 Col. James B. Kendrick by his daughter, Christine Reynolds.

Worship Flowers are needed for Mar 5, 12, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 30; May 7, 14, 21. 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.

Thank you to Kim Alexander, Darleen Smith and Roselle Williamson for offering their talents today in our music ministry.

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—FEBRUARY

Front Entrance Pat & Barry Thigpen *Office Entrance* Carl Townsend

USHERS/Traditional—FEBRUARY

Greg Clemmons: Ashley Booth, Jackson Bowers, Neal Bowers, Preston Bowers, Roger Hall, Judy Hall, Sylvia Harmon, Steve Louk

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Jackie & Ron Carpenter, Brenda Bellamy, Harriett Clark, Kathi & Cam McCarl

Acolyte Lily Langway *Bible Bearer* Andrew Langway *Crucifer* Meredith Bowers

Video Jim Lewis *Audio* Scott Bowen

Serving in Contemporary Worship

Livestream Jason Gildner *Slides* Ethan Gildner or Jonathan Kittle
Ushers Lisa Watson, Rusty Watson
Little Church Cait Neptune



Monthly Mission Impact—FEBRUARY



New Directions exists to help those experiencing homelessness, poverty, and addiction move from crisis, to connection, to community. **NEEDS**—Donations of **NEW (only)** items: T-shirts, sweats, pajama's, men's & women's undergarments, socks, coats, gloves, hats, scarves. Toiletries: Shampoo/conditioner, soap/body wash, shaving cream/razors, deodorant, combs/brushes, hair clips/ties and hairpins, toothbrush/toothpaste, floss. See all **other needs** listed on their website, <https://helpnewdirections.org/current-needs>.

Collection bins in the office and worship areas.

FEBRUARY MISSION IMPACT—PART 2

Let's push Pastor Joel "Over the Edge" when First Church exceeds last year's Missions Faith Promise commitment. "Over the Edge" is part of New Directions 2023 financial challenge to rappel the 17-story Avista Resort on Feb. 25th!

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sally H. Connolly

January 12, 1945—January 31, 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 **Jayne Smith** and family on the passing of her sister, **Nancy Stephenson Young**, on January 28, 2023 in Austin, TX.



TODAY, Sunday, February 5th, we will have a **meeting** of the congregation at **11:20AM** (after worship) in the **Sanctuary** for an update on the future of the United Methodist Church.

New Member Classes continue—February 5th, 12th

9AM—Resource Library, Wesley Building Room 104

For info, email **Pastor Michelle**, mdlouk@umcsc.org.



BIBLE CHALLENGE—Read the New Testament in one year!

Week 6 reading schedule (one chapter per day):

Book of Matthew, chapters 26, 27, 28; Book of Mark, chapters 1, 2

Weekly Bible Study, Wednesdays, 1:15PM, Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Kindness is a universal language."

~ Father Gregory Boyle, founder/director of Homeboy Industries

*First Church Weekly Readings:**

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

Feb 6	1 Corinthians 13:8-10
Feb 7	1 Peter 1:22-25
Feb 8	Romans 8:14-17
Feb 9	Jeremiah 31:2-3
Feb 10	Hebrews 12:5-11
Feb 11	1 John 3:1-3
Feb 12	1 Kings 3:16-28

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 Sonshine 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

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series:

"A Parent's Love"

1 Kings 3:16-28; 1 John 4:7-12



Welcome Snowbirds & Seagulls!

Snowbirds & Seagulls ministry is a series of **weekly programs and golf outings** held from **January through March** for **local and snowbird seniors**. View the website for details, www.fumcmb.org. For more info, please contact **Scott Bowen, 843-448-7164**.

February 7 Beachwood Golf Course

February 9 11:15AM | Wesley Center | Meal by Jayne Smith
Program—Chuck Fisher, guitarist

January 31 Caledonia Golf Tournament Winners—31 Participants

1st Place: Score of 64

◆ Bob Edwards, Jeff Harshbarger, Joe Stanger, Cotton Self

2nd Place Tie: Score of 68

◆ Les Haga, Blair LaPierre, Tommy Moore, Mike Foster



Smiling Faces Welcome Others - First Church Needs You

Do you enjoy greeting people? Are you able to count or direct others to a desired location? **Ushering may be for you!** Roles are **needed for both**



Contemporary and Traditional services. Ushers perform a vital role each week by **welcoming** people into worship, **greeting** with a smile, **handshake**, or maybe a **hug!**

Ushers help newcomers **locate a seat**, find the nursery and restrooms. They count attendance, distribute **bulletins**, **collect offering**, and generally **assist** in the flow of worship services. If you are ready to serve in this vital role while you worship, **contact Daniel Shuler** (843-626-2692, drshuler1120@gmail.com) for the contemporary service, **Preston or Neal Bowers** (843-655-2251, Bowers2251@gmail.com) for the traditional service, or **Rhonda Singleton** (843-448-7164, volunteers@fumcmb.org) for more information.

Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, February 8th at 11:30AM, Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs. Grant Nesmith will share a devotion in song after a time of food and fellowship.



“REVOLUTION was such a life changing experience that impacted everyone in our youth group. Being exposed to a moving message on God’s grace opened up a true love and appreciation for God and each other. A little bit of light can light our entire world. Revolution has really changed my life so that I now try to make decisions that show God’s love through what I do. We **all** are worth something to God. Now that we have returned from this trip, we hope to share God’s love to others continuously and be his disciples for others.” ~ Preston Bowers





Youth Schedule...

- Feb. 5: 5:15PM Youth @ N Campus
- Feb. 8: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-Fil-A
- Feb 12: 6-9PM Youth @ Wesley Hall
Super Bowl Party, Pot Luck
- Feb. 24: Senior High Movie Night

Church-Wide Work Day Coming Soon!

A church-wide work-day will be scheduled in the near future. As good stewards of God's church, we will work on various repairs around the church's main campus. **Details forthcoming.**

ABC TRAINING | Acolytes—Bible Bearers—Crucifers

Sunday, February 12th @ 9AM before worship, Sanctuary

All children ages 8 & up interested in serving their church, please attend this educational training.

(Training for those who missed the training on Jan. 22nd.)

Rachel Platt and Norman McQueen, trainers



MASCOT PECANS—Nine (9) bags of pecans are available for purchase—**first come first served**. These **one-pound bags** of whole halves from Georgia **may be purchased for \$15 each** in the church office either before or after worship. Proceeds benefit **Lautrelle Merchant Circle** mission projects. Thank you.



Additional **volunteers are needed** on Monday mornings to help **count financial donations** received from Sunday worship. If you have a knack for counting money or have questions about the task, **please contact** our financial secretary, **Kay Roensch, 843-448-7164**.



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 1/29/2023 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of:	\$ 24,326
Total Revenue YTD:	\$ 134,798
Total Expenses YTD:	\$ 163,373
Difference YTD:	- \$ 28,574

Expenses include monthly apportionments & direct billing.

Faith Promise 2023:	\$ 100,010
Faith Promise Receipts 2023:	\$ 6,666

Presence 1/29/2023

♦ Worship in person:	400
♦ Fox TV (Oct wkly est)	1,680
♦ Worship online:	419
♦ Social Media:	1,781
♦ Sunday School:	127

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

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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. Holy Communion will be observed.

HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, February 5, 2023

- 8:30-11 AM **Nursery Provided** WESLEY CTR
- 9:00AM **Sunday School** all ages
- 9:00AM **Confirmation Class** 921
- 10:00AM **Traditional Worship***
SANCTUARY *Facebook
- 10:00AM **Contemporary Worship^**
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR ^YouTube
- 11:20AM **Congregational Meeting**
SANCTUARY
- 4:15PM **Children's Choirs**
WESLEY HALL
- 5:15PM **Youth @ N Campus**

MONDAY, Feb 6

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

TUESDAY, Feb 7

- Snowbird & Seagulls Golf**
BEACHWOOD GOLF COURSE
- 10:00AM **UWF Exec Mtg** PARLOR
- 5:45PM **Worship Committee Mtg**
OFFICE—Upstairs

WEDNESDAY, Feb 8

- 7:15AM **Youth Prayer Breakfast**
CHICK-FIL-A, Seaboard St
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 11:30AM **Ladies Lunch/Devotional**
MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th, upstairs
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BUILDING
- 1:15PM **Bible Study** MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC SUITE

THURSDAY, Feb 9

- 9A-12PM **Library** (Peggy Ecker, Librarian)
- 11:15AM **Snowbirds & Seagulls**
WESLEY HALL
- 1-4PM **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL
- 6:00PM **Living Free** BRITAIN FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY, Feb 10

- 10:30AM **Ann Herbert Circle** PARLOR



Epworth Children's Home

Missions IMPACT Weekend

Zoe Empowers

Ministers

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



**MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS
FOR JANUARY 2023 BULLETIN**

IN MEMORY OF:

Verl Lindel “Buddy” Capps, Jr.
Wesley Chancel Choir (Music Fund)
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Richard Dennis
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Janice Hall
Nancy Upchurch (Memorial Fund)

Milt & Dot Harcum
Anne Harcum Myers (General Funds)

Roger Leveque
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Mildred Louise Stuck
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Billy Lee Suggs
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Mark Williamson
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

IN HONOR OF:

Bobby & Ann Anderson
Open Doors (Youth Ministry)

Rev. Tom Brittain
Gerald & Ellen Boyles (TV Ministry)

Cameron Leigh Haar
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Ocie Rose James
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Rev. Michelle Louk
Gerald & Ellen Boyles (TV Ministry)

Rev. Joel McMakin
Gerald & Ellen Boyles (TV Ministry)

Owen Michael Rich
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)