



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

The Steeple ■ January 9, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30AM* & 11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary

11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

MONDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

5:45PM North Campus, 904 5th Ave N

*also Facebook Live-stream

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

Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

The liturgical color is white, receiving the gift of God in His Son.

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

Prelude

"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star"
*(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God.
Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)*

Hymn Tune

Welcome

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

* **The Chiming of the Hour** *(congregation stands)*

* Opening Hymn

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

UMH #611

* Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Meredith M. Dark | UMH #881

* The Gloria Patri

UMH #70

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dark

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.

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

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

Offertory

"Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine"

arr. D.S. Ferguson

* The Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

* Offertory Prayer

Rev. Dark

Children's Message

Rev. Donkle **8:30**

Yvonne Brittain **11:00**

*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.*

* Hymn of Preparation

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH #334 2x

* Sermon Text

Luke 3:15-17

Larry Gates **8:30**

Carol Ann Felts **11:00**

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Anthem	“Show Me Your Ways/O God, Our Help”	arr.Parks
Sermon	“Remember Your Baptism”	Rev. Howle
Remember Your Baptism		
	“The Waters of Grace”	arr. Martin
	<i>Heather Whitley, soloist; Lisa Washburn, flute</i>	
* Closing Hymn	“Spirit Song”	UMH #347
* Benediction		Rev. Howle
Postlude	“Allegro moderato”	arr. J.E. Kindermann

(*) *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****

Children

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.

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Harold Clemmons’ 88th heavenly birthday by Jean Clemmons.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Feb 6, 13, 20. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

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

Traditional Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM, Contemporary Worship at 11AM, on the website (fumcmb.org), on mobile app, or on FOX TV (ch 7) Sundays at 10AM (one week delay).

*We ask everyone to **REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE** on the Pew Pads so that your presence today may be recorded in the church rolls.*

Assisting in Worship

GREETERS

8:30 Front	Linda Lox	11:00 Front	Sherrill & Charlie Allen
8:30 Broadway	Ann & Ron Anderson	11:00 Broadway	Naomi & Harris D’Anfignac
8:30 Office	Martha & Joe Castellano	11:00 Office	Ann Anderson

USHERS

8:30 Toby Ward, Harold Branton; Ann Andrews, Ron Andrews, Jerry Champion, Greg Clemmons, Claylene Gore, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Sylvia Harmon, Dennis Neptune, Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Judy Winn, Tom Winn.
11:00AM Annette Willett: Denise Daniels, Glen Daniels, Carol Ann Felts, Ronnie Felts, Dabney Joyner, John Poupore, Beth Rozier, Jim Rozier, Ed Willett

ACOLYTE	8:30 Tedrick Poinsette	11:00 Andrew Langway
CRUCIFER		11:00 Lily Langway

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO **8:30** Melinda Morgan
11:00 Scott Bowen



FIRST CHURCH
 MYRTLE BEACH

Welcome Snowbirds & Seagulls!



Snowbirds & Seagulls ministry is a weekly program that starts January 4th and continues through March. This ministry is geared for the local and snowbird seniors. Weekly programs are held on Thursday mornings, and weekly golf outings take place on Tuesday mornings. Information packets and applications are available online or in the church office. For more information, please contact Scott Bowen 843-448-7164. Weekly programs and Tournament Winners will be shown below. **All meals are \$5.00 per person.**

January 11 | Arrowhead Golf Course

January 13 Program | 11:15AM | Wesley Center | Meal—Rodney Jones

Van Doren, magician

Traditions Golf Tournament Winners—17 Participants

1st Place: Score of 68

Ken Conner, Roger Davis, Bob Collins, Marcia Wagg, Scott Bowen

2nd Place: Score of 71

Dan Fleming, Dick Stevens, Stephen Wells, Tom Winn



RETURNING SUNDAY, JANUARY 9th!

Sunday Meal, Fellowship and Programming

Please plan to join us in Wesley Hall every Sunday evening at 5:00PM for a meal and fellowship followed by a program at 5:30PM. John Lox will lead the Jan. 9th and 16th programs. "Worship that is not examined tends to become routine quickly." Meal cost is by donation.

This two-part series is, "The Essentials of Worship"

Part 1: The Principles of Worship; Part 2: Application and self-examination



Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, January 12th, 11:30AM at Magnolia's

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Forgiveness is hard, but God's grace makes it possible." ~ Bob LaForge

WORSHIP GUIDELINES: Join us for worship as your health permits. Please use personal discretion for Masks and Distancing; however, **MASKS are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.**

*First Church Weekly Readings: **

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

Jan 10	Luke 15:8-10
Jan 11	Daniel 10:5-9
Jan 12	Revelation 4:1-11
Jan 13	Revelation 6:12-17
Jan 14	Micah 6:6-8
Jan 15	Acts 16:25-31
Jan 16	Mark 9:2-8

**Uniform Series International Lesson Series:
Mark 9:2-13
"The Transfiguration"*

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes

0-2 year-olds	Nursery
3 and 4 year-old pre	Wesley 102
Kindergarten/First Gr	Wesley 205
2nd and 3rd Grades	Wesley 203
4th and 5th Grades	Wesley 204

Youth Classes

6th - 12th Grades	Sonshine House
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Adult Classes

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

Deadly tornadoes recently ravaged five UMC conferences. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is in communication with disaster response coordinators in these conferences and has initiated solidarity grants with three of the most severely affected: Kentucky, Western Tennessee, Arkansas.



Give to UMCOR - to provide the resources that will be so critically needed over the coming weeks, months and years. When giving through the Advance, **100% of the gift goes to serve others** in the way that you choose. **Donate to the UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery (Advance #901670)** — <https://umcmision.org/give-to-umcor/>

MISSIONS IMPACT

It's Coming!

**MISSIONS IMPACT
WEEKEND**

**What can
YOU do?**

**Join us
Jan. 28 - 30
to find out!**

Wish You Could Do More?

Make a Miracle—with
Grand Strand Miracle League

Empower Youth—with
Zoe Empowers

Create Good Habits—with
Habitat for Humanity

Change Course—with
New Directions

and more . . .

**FRIDAY, Dinner & Missioner Exhibits — SATURDAY, Focused Missioner Presentations
SUNDAY Worship, Faith Promise & Guest Speakers**

Disciple Fast Track

A 12-week study for busy people seeking comprehensive engagement over time with the New Testament. Read 3-5 chapters daily (manageable) in the New Testament to prepare for weekly meetings. Opportunities to take a spiritual gifts assessment and to determine meaningful ways to serve and to live out a discipleship commitment.

**Sundays, beginning February 27 to May 22 (except Easter Sunday)
5:30PM — The 925 Classroom — Class Limit is 12**

Facilitator: Brenda Bellamy

**Register by Jan. 31—contact Rev. Jennifer Donkle, donkle@fumcmb.org
Book cost: \$17**

The **Good Grief Group** for ladies who are widows meet for lunch on **Wednesday, January 19, at 11:30AM** at the home of **Jean Clemmons**. Please **RSVP** to Jean Clemmons, 843-283-7473.

**Good
Grief**



Newcomers to First Church and regular guests—feel free to explore our website online at www.fumcmb.org to find out how to get involved in the life of this church. We offer Sunday School for all ages, UMYF grades 6-12, choirs for adults and children, United Methodist Women (UMW), small groups, and many opportunities to serve. You may find membership info on the webpage—"I'm New/About Us".



Youth Schedule...

- Jan 9: 5:00-7:15PM YOUTH @ North Campus
Dinner provided by Congregational Care
- Jan 12: 7AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
Chick-Fil-a, Seaboard St
- Jan 16: 2:00PM Youth Council Meeting @ N Campus
- Jan 16: NO YOUTH
- Jan 29: Revolution, Columbia SC

IMPORTANT DATE—Saturday, January 22nd

MANDATORY Safe Sanctuary Training

Wesley Worship Center 10AM to 12PM

Donuts & Coffee will be provided

Training is REQUIRED for all volunteers who work with our children or youth IN ANY CAPACITY throughout

the year (VBS, cooks, chaperones, youth counselors, children and youth Sunday School teachers and those on Children and Youth Councils). **Ushers MUST also attend** this training. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Jennifer Donkle at 843-448-7164 or donkle@fumcmb.org.



I'm moving!



Please remember to notify FUMC when you have a **change of address, phone number, or email**. It is important that the church's contact information be kept current. Please provide updates to **Jennifer Julian** in the church office at 843-448-7164 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

Please pick up 2022 Offering Envelopes in the church office. To order envelopes, please **notify Kay** in the church office, kay@fumcmb.org or 843-488-7164.

Offering Envelopes



Financials and Attendance

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



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Gifts as of 12/31/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving ending 12/31/21:	\$ 149,623
Giving YTD 12/31/21:	\$ 1,774,322
Expenses YTD 12/31/21:	\$ 1,711,021
Difference YTD 12/31/21:	63,301

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 1/2/2022

◆ Worship 12/26:	273
◆ Fox TV (November)	1,089
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	724
◆ All Social Media:	1,839
◆ Sunday School:	not avail

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

SERVERS NEEDED

for fellowship meals on Sunday evenings in the Wesley Center. To sign up, please contact **Rhonda Singleton**, volunteers@fumcmb.org. Upcoming open dates:

Sundays:
Jan 16, 23, 30
Arrive 4:45PM

Thank you for prayerfully serving First Church.



Happening This Week

SUNDAY, January 9, 2022

- 8:30-Noon **Nursery Provided** WESLEY BLDG
8:30AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE
9:45AM **Sunday School—All Ages**
9:45AM **Confirmation Class**
SONSHINE HOUSE
11:00AM **Contemporary Worship**
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR | FACEBOOK
11:00AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY
5-6:15PM **Family Dinner/Program**
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER
5:00-7:15PM **Youth @ N CAMPUS**

Contemporary Worship **Sundays, 11AM** **Wesley Worship Center**

Looking for an alternative worship experience? We welcome all to join us for Contemporary Worship offering an upbeat, family-friendly, casual time to commune with God among our family of believers. The Praise Band of First Church presents current, contemporary praise music enhanced with HD visuals projected onto a dynamic 16'x9' screen. Enjoy a cup of coffee before the service, visit with others, get to know us and our church! Your time in worship won't ever be the same!

This **Sunday, Jan 9**, is Baptism Sunday, a time when we remember our baptism. Rev. Jennifer Donkle will bring the message, "Remember Whose You Are". Don't miss it!



MONDAY, January 10

- 8A-5PM **CHURCH OFFICE OPEN** M-TH
9A-12PM **Thrift Store Open**
5:30PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY CENTER
5:45PM **Monday Worship** N CAMPUS
6:30PM **Festive Brass Rehearsal**
THE 925

TUESDAY, January 11

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLOOR
11:00AM **Tennessee Collier Circle**
Covenant Towers
3:00PM **Lautrelle Merchant Circle**
PARLOR
4:00PM **Sisters in Service Circle**
CHAPEL
4:30PM **Missions Committee Mtg**
OFC-2nd FLOOR
6:00PM **Cloister Circle** MEMBER HOME

WEDNESDAY, January 12

- 7:00AM **Youth Breakfast/Devo** (\$7)
SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES
7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
6:30PM **Ladies Lunch/Devo**
MAGNOLIA'S
Adult Chancel Choir
MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, January 13

- 1-4PM **Thrift Store OPEN**
6:00PM **Living Free** BRITAIN FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY, January 14

- 8:30AM **Band Rehearsal**
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER
10:30AM **Anne Herbert Circle**
PARLOR

Ministers

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

Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Jennifer Donkle, Minister,
Christian Education/Programming

