



The Steeple ■ June 19, 2022

8:30AM* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
11:00AM* Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr
11:00AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

*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

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 19, 2022

The liturgical color is green symbolizing the time when we remember discipleship.

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

Prelude "Jubilation Fanfare" Sandra Eithun
Adult Hand Bell Choir
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace Jim Creel, Jr.

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

* **Opening Hymn** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" UMH #79

* **Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Meredith M. Dark | 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

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 "Gavotte" J.S. Bach
from Orchestral Suite No. 1

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

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Dark

11:00 Children's Message Yvonne Brittain

*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.*

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* Hymn of Preparation	“God Will Take Care of You”	UMH #130
* Sermon Text	Luke 15:11-32	Sherrill Allen 8:30 Carol Anne Felts 11:00
Anthem	“Sanctuary”	arr. Larson
Sermon	“The Father’s Love”	Mr. Creel
* Closing Hymn	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”	UMH #140
* Benediction		Mr. Creel
Postlude	“Chaconne”	Louis Couperin

(* *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.

****Please 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 during today’s 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 honor of our parents, Ann and Bobby Anderson, on their 50th wedding anniversary on June 18th. We love you so much! Your family.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Sept 11, 25. 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.

We welcome Neil Kraft as our guest organist today.

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 on WFXB.

Assisting in Worship

GREETERS

8:30 Front Julie & Mark Mitchell
8:30 Office Willa Wrenn
8:30 Breezeway Jean Hussey

11:00 Front Carol Ann & Ronnie Felts
11:00 Office Emily Ann Skews

USHERS

8:30 Tom Winn: Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Winn Singleton, Judy Winn
11:00 Clark Butler: Gene Butler, Tracy Conner, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan, Zachery McMillan

ACOLYTE	8:30 Anna Kate Brittain	11:00 Zachary Horsley
BIBLE BEARER	8:30 Walker Brittain	11:00 Thomas Horsley
VIDEO	Jim Lewis	AUDIO 8:30 Melinda Morgan 11:00 Scott Bowen

Assisting in Contemporary Worship

LIVESTREAM Jason Gildner **SLIDES** Jonathan Kittle or Ben Gildner
USHERS Don Myers, Daniel Shuler



Monthly Mission Impact – JUNE

Help 4 Kids accepts both monetary and material donations—\$3/week helps supplement snacks in the Backpack Buddies program, discreetly sending children home on Fridays with a weekend meal/snack package. You can **also** donate **canned goods, snacks, clothing, books, blankets**, and much more to provide children in need. Your time helps with fundraising, packaging meals or delivering supplies. **Help 4 Kids is 100% volunteer-driven.** Please **bring items to the church** or order online for delivery directly to Help4Kids. Visit their website: <https://help4kidssc.org/donate/>.



Some items needed: Flavored Instant Oatmeal, Canned Pasta, Vienna Sausage, Pudding Cups, Peanut Butter Crackers, Ramen Noodles

Collection Bins are located in the church office and all worship entrances.



The M.D. Moore Sunday School Class offers an **in-depth study** of the **Life, Ministry and Legend of the Apostle Paul**. All are invited to join us in **Room 105, Wesley Bldg.**



Join us **Sunday, June 26th**. We will bid **Pastor Meredith** a fond farewell as she begins her new appointment in Socastee.

Meredith will bring the message at all three worship services: **8:30AM and 11AM Traditional in the Sanctuary and 11AM**

Contemporary in the Wesley Worship Center. Please view the invitation on the next page for a gathering in her honor.

Landscaping/Facilities Update

Many of you have inquired about the church landscaping work and other facilities updates. Here is the latest to help keep you informed:



- ◇ New Landscaper hired for lawn care, trimming, maintaining shrubs
- ◇ Landscaping plans are drawn and in review with Trustees for approval
- ◇ Facilities cleaning, pressure washing, and bleaching in process
- ◇ Lighting replacement/repair is in process with upgrading to LEDs
- ◇ Burglar Alarm and Exterior Camera systems are out for bid

The **Good Grief Group** for ladies who are widows **will not meet in June or July**, but **will return on August 17th**. Stay tuned!

Good Grief

LADIES LUNCH AT MAGNOLIA'S

Our ladies' monthly devotion is a wonderful time of spiritual growth, fellowship and great food! You are encouraged to **join us upstairs at Magnolia's** (elevator available) on the **second Wednesday each month at 11:30AM**. A 10-15 minute devotion each week is provided by various attendees. For more information, please **contact JUDY WINN at 864-554-2749 or judysanderswinn1995@gmail.com**. Mark your calendars or watch **The Steeple** and join us for a time of fellowship. We hope to see you at Magnolia's soon!



The **Congregational Care Committee** invites members of our church to attend a **housewarming party for Rev. Meredith Dark** to thank her for her dedication and service to First Church these past three years and to wish her God's speed as she moves to Socastee United Methodist Church as Pastor. Meredith is moving from a one-bedroom condo to a four-bedroom home in Queen's Harbor; we want everyone to have the opportunity to show their appreciation (gifts optional).

Who: Congregational Care Committee
What: Housewarming Gathering to honor Rev. Meredith Dark
When: Friday, June 24th, drop-in from 3PM to 5PM
Where: First Church Parlor (please use the office entrance)
Why: To show Meredith our love and appreciation for her dedication and service these past three years

Please **RSVP by June 20th to Sherrill Allen:**
Email: sachillesshs@aol.com; Text or Voicemail: 843-251-1163

To help her decorate this spacious home, her favorite colors are pink and green.

Ideas from "practical-minded Meredith" (as she calls herself):
 Wal-Mart, Target, Marshall's, TJ Maxx, Belk, Coastline Pet Supply, and Barnes and Noble



VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW
SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE AS A STUDENT OR VOLUNTEER
FIND MORE DETAILS ON THE NEXT PAGE!
DON'T MISS OUT—TELL YOUR FRIENDS!

Is **YOUR PICTURE** in our Realm directory database yet?
Don't wait! Log in and **upload your picture into your profile.**
 What better way to help our new pastors get to know you!



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"TODAY, not tomorrow, is the day that we can start to be good."
 ~ Ryan Holiday, author

Worship Guidelines: Please join us for worship as your health permits. We ask for personal discretion on Distancing and Masks.

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

June 20	Acts 7:54-60
June 21	Zechariah 4:1-7
June 22	Philippians 3:14-18
June 23	Romans 8:24-27
June 24	Luke 11:9-13
June 25	Ephesians 4:1-6
June 26	Galatians 5:22-26

**Uniform Series International Lesson Series:
 "Life in the Spirit"
 Galatians 5:22-26; Ephesians 4:1-6*

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes

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

Youth Classes

6th - 12th Grades	Off-site
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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



Youth Schedule...

Wednesday: NOON Youth Prayer Lunch
Chipotle (Grand Strand Mall)

Wednesday: 6PM Faith-Family-Fitness
Devo/Light Workout/Games
66th Ave N Beach Access

July 16-23: Salkehatchie

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

For rising Pre-K through 5th graders

July 11 to July 14, 2022 | 5:00PM to 7:30PM

Brittain Center—North Campus, 904 65th Ave. N, Myrtle Beach

REGISTRATION FEE: \$20 per child
(includes participant T-shirt and meals)

REGISTRATION FORMS:

PARTICIPANTS

<https://forms.gle/cwZyrgiVfUseSCUF9>


VOLUNTEERS

<https://forms.gle/yPXdL7Sso6JnZJ3R8>

Registration forms are also located in the Church Office, at CDM, and in Sunday School Classrooms!



VOLUNTEERS, have you had your **Safe Sanctuaries Training**? If you are one of our volunteers involved with children/youth, please make sure that you have completed the Safe Sanctuaries training. If you have not yet completed this training, please **email Rhonda Singleton** at **volunteers@fumcmb.org**. Our **church policy requires** that everyone who works with our children and youth in any capacity must complete this most important class.

 First Church is appreciative for the talents of Winn Singleton who was our photographer for the June 5th Celebration Sunday. The sampling of pictures in last week's **The Steeple** was only the tip of the iceberg. Thanks Winn!

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

Gifts as of 6/12/2022 (includes online giving):

Giving week of:	\$ 17,524
Giving YTD 2022:	\$ 685,402
Expenses YTD 2022:	\$ 754,714
Difference YTD 2022:	- \$ 69,312

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Missions Faith Promise:	\$ 101,000
Faith Promise Receipts:	\$ 71,278

Presence 6/12/2022

◆ Worship:	271
◆ Fox TV (May wkly est)	1,700
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	709
◆ All Social Media:	1,196
◆ Sunday School:	114

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

Welcome to our new member, **Melissa Sadin**, who joined First Church by Transfer of Letter from First UMC, Somerville, NJ on June 12, 2022.

Welcome!



How Do I Love My Neighbor?

The Bible tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves. How can we do that? We can do that **through serving others**. Galatians 5:13 says, "For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity to indulge your flesh, but through love serve one another." One way to serve is by volunteering your time to support organizations such as the **Community Kitchen of Myrtle Beach**. Our church has committed to serving **one week per quarter** for many years, but currently we are in danger of not having enough volunteers to keep our commitment. Do you wish the world were a kinder place? You can show kindness. Do you feel a tug to do more for others? Take a step in that direction. Do you love the feeling you get from doing something undeserved for someone? Don't miss an opportunity to serve! Can you give a few hours one day? It really won't cost much. **Will you answer the call?** To contribute to this mission in any way, please **email Rhonda Singleton at volunteers@fumcmb.org**.

Happening This Week



SUNDAY, June 19, 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 CENTER
- 11:00AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY

MONDAY, June 20

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

TUESDAY, June 21

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLOOR
- 5:30PM **Trustee Mtg** OFC-2nd FLOOR

WEDNESDAY, June 22

- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- NOON **Youth Prayer Lunch**
CHIPOTLE
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY CENTER
- 6:00PM **Faith Family Fitness**
66th AVE N BEACH ACCESS
- 6:30PM **Adult Chancel Choir**
MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, June 23

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

Contemporary Worship Sunday, 11AM, 6/19/22 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!

Chad Mullinix will bring the message from Luke 15:11-32.

Ministers

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

