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FIRST CHURCH

The Steeple ■ March 13, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30AM* & 11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary
11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center
SCOUT SUNDAY
*also Facebook Live-stream

MONDAY NIGHT WORSHIP @ 5:45PM, North Campus

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

Second Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022

The liturgical color is purple symbolizing the season of self denial.

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

Prelude "Near the Cross" arr. Becky Waters (The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome Rev. Jennifer Donkle

- * The Chiming of the Hour (congregation stands)
- * Opening Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God"

UMH #102

* Affirmation of Faith

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 Mr. 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'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.

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings (Offering Stewards will come forward at this time. Please register attendance.)

Offertory "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Franklin Ritter

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

* Offertory Prayer Mr. Mullinix

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* Hymn of Preparation "What Wondrous Love Is This"

* Sermon Text Luke 14:7-14 Cam McCarl 8:30 Harriet Clark 11:00

Anthem "If My People Will Pray/Hear Our Prayer" arr. Christopher

Sermon "Take the Lowest Seat" Rev. Donkle

* Closing Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" UMH #593

* Benediction Rev. Donkle

Postlude "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" arr. Tom Birchwood

(*) 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.

UMH #292

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 60th wedding anniversary by Helen and Jim Clemmons.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Mar 20; May 1, 15. 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.

Thank you to our organist today, Michael Gribbin, for sharing his music with us.

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).

COVID continues as a concern in the community. Please exercise distancing. MASKS are recommended. Please be present with us as your health permits.

Assisting in Worship

GREETERS NEEDED for 8:30 and 11:00 To volunteer, please email Rhonda Singleton, volunteers@fumcmb.org.

USHERS—March

 8:30AM Tom Winn: Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Winn Singleton, Judy Winn
 11:00AM Preston Bowers: Neal Bowers, Jackson Bowers, Dudley Robinson, Mark Sturzenbecker

ACOLYTE 8:30 Izzy Mullinix 11:00 Ava Anderson
BIBLE BEARER 11:00 James Anderson
CRUCIFER 8:30 Grayson Mullinix 11:00 Jay Anderson

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO 8:30 Melinda Morgan 11:00 Scott Bowen



Monthly Mission in Motion-MARCH

HELP4KIDS NEEDS OUR HELP

We pack weekend snack bags for over 2500 kids—food supply chain is an issue.



<u>In desperate need of:</u> Canned Pasta, Vienna Sausage, Canned Soup, Peanut Butter Crackers. Other non-perishable food items are welcomed. Emergency funds and goods are needed within our community for the elderly and the kids. In recent years, helping the elderly has increased as many kids are living with elderly grandparents with no income.

- Other ways to help:
 *Drop off food for the kids' at our office, 2523 Forestbrook Rd, MB 29588
- *Amazon is a great way to order and have it delivered directly
- *Gift cards to purchase food or gas for our vans
- *Donations to help with the emergency fund

IN REMEMBRANCE

Charlotte H. Johanson June 4, 1932—February 28, 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 **Anne Beckham** and family on the passing of her granddaughter, **Stacey Nicole Beckham**, on March 4, 2022.

The General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church is deeply troubled by the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and the escalating tensions between Russia and Western nations. We join many Christian leaders and organizations worldwide in deploring the Russian invasion of Ukraine. We pray for a redirection of military action toward diplomatic measures to resolve grievances. United Methodists are people of peace.

<u>How to give:</u> The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is in communication with partners and exploring the coordination of humanitarian response in Ukraine. **Support UMCOR** international disaster response efforts by making a gift to **Advance #982450**, https://umcmission.org/advance-project/982450/. **Donations by check** may be mailed to: 458 Ponce De Leon Ave NE, Atlanta GA 30308

2022 Spring Surge

This year's **Virtual Spring Surge** will be on the **FPC website**, **March 28**, **2022 to April 8**, **2022**. The virtual presentation will highlight the **Mayfield Ministries** serving seniors in the **Horry County Senior Centers**. Learn more about what the centers offer for those who come for fellowship, a meal, and help for basic needs. Learn how God might use you to make a difference in the lives of these seniors. Connect online from March 28 to April 8. **For more information**, contact Georgiana Keller at 843-283-8735.

REALM CONNECT—contact the church office for an invite to REALM from FUMC. On the email, click on the link to Create An Account and Password. An email confirmation will be sent to verify your account and to download the Realm Connect App on your phone from the app store. Once you complete this process, please review your "profile" to make updates, if any, for address/phone. Questions? Contact Melinda Morgan, in the church office at melinda@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164.

Welcome Snowbirds & Seagulls!

Snowbirds & Seagulls ministry is a weekly program that runs
January through March. This ministry is geared for the local and
snowbird seniors as a time of fellowship and fun. 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.

March 17 Program | 11:15AM | Chapel | Pizza & Salad John Paul Miller, Piano



Compassionate Caregivers offers information and support for anyone caring for a family member suffering from Alzheimer's or dementia. We meet in the church Parlor on the first and third Thursdays each month, 10AM-11:30AM. For more information, please contact Sherrill Allen and leave a message, 843-251-1163.

Lautrelle Merchant Circle Spaghetti Supper! "FAMOUS Spaghetti Sauce"



Take-home Dinner for 4 (sauce, noodles, bread, sweet)
Cost: \$20. Pick up on Sunday, March, 20
Order by 3/16/22; forms available or call Lynn Wood, 843-497-2872

BUTTER BRAIDED PASTRIES!

UMW Fundraiser to benefit missions
Pastries are frozen and ready-to-bake; \$14 each
Order from any UMW member or pick up a form at any worship entrance. Order Deadline—March 20. Thank you.



The Steeple Correction for 3/6/2022: Congratulations to Laura Bowden on the birth of her grandson, **William Reed Monroe**, on February 25, 2022 in Charleston SC. Proud parents are Chelsea and Daniel Monroe.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"All I know about time and space is that it never hurts to give someone a little more of each." ~ Robert Brault, author

<u>WORSHIP GUIDELINES:</u> Join us for worship as your health permits. Please use personal discretion for distancing. **MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED**.

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Mar 14	Matthew 19:8-12
Mar 15	Matthew 19:27-30
Mar 16	Ezekiel 4:1-8
Mar 17	John 21:15-18
Mar 18	Jeremiah 13:1-9
Mar 19	1 Corinthians 4:8-12
Mar 20	Mark 10:35-45

^{*}Uniform Series International Lesson Series: "A Topsy-Turvy Kingdom" Mark 10:17-24

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classe	<u>s</u>
0-2 year-olds	Nursery
3 and 4 year-old pro	e Wesley 102
Kindergarten/First	
2nd and 3rd Grades	
4th and 5th Grades	Wesley 204
Youth Classes 6th - 12th Grades	Sonshine House
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
	Music Center 101



Youth Schedule...

Mar 13: 5-7:15PM Youth @ North Campus Mar 16: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast

Chick Fil-a (Seaboard)

Mar 20: NO YOUTH



Youth who plan to attend Asbury Hills the week of June 5-10, please notify the Youth Leaders as soon as possible if you need **transportation** on the church bus.

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT!

CONGRATULATIONS to **Penguineers Robotics**, a community robotics team, who won the First Tech Robotics State Competition, February **26th.** Among the 13 winning team members from across Horry County is our own, **Reagan McQueen!** This team has **qualified to** compete in the First Tech World Competition in Houston TX, April 19-24.

Sunday Meal Fellowship and Program

Meal 5PM | Program 5:30PM **Wesley Hall Programs March 13, 20, 27**

Rev. Rowan Crews "Methodism as a Sung Faith"



The Church Library is staffed by Peggy Ecker, CHURCH LIBRARY Volunteer Librarian, weekly on Thursday mornings, 9AM

to Noon. She is happy to help search for specific materials. Feel free to seek out her help!



Please welcome new members. Brenda & Laverne Mohl, who joined First Church on February

20, 2022 at the 11:00AM Traditional worship by transfer of letter from Jamestown UMC Jamestown, NC.



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 3/6/2022 (includes online giving):

Giving week of: \$ 28,454 Giving YTD 2022: \$ 331,416 \$ 283,588 Expenses YTD 2022: Difference YTD 2022: \$ 47,828 Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing. **Missions Faith Promise:** \$ 90,518 **Faith Promise Receipts:** \$ 36,206

Presence 3/6/2022

♦	Worship:	351
♦	Fox TV (February est)	1,900
♦	Worship Facebook/Web:	544
♦	All Social Media:	2,332
•	Sunday School:	166

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

Request emailed Steeple: thesteeple@fumcmb.org Televised Worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7 Brittain Fellowship Sunday School class will serve this Sunday's meal.

Servers, please

arrive no later than 4:20PM to receive the food and set up. Sunday evening meals in the Wesley Center start at 5PM (cost by donation) followed by a brief program of interest at 5:30PM. All are welcome!

Contemporary Worship Sunday, 11AM Wesley Worship Center

Join us for an upbeat, casual, family-oriented time to commune with God and to worship in contemporary song. Have a cup of coffee before worship, visit, and get to know us and First Church!

On Sunday, March 13, Pastor George will bring the message from Romans 10:8-13. See you Sunday!



Thanks to everyone who sent cards, called, and prayed for our

family on the loss of Greg's mother. How blessed we are for this caring church family.

Peggy Ecker

LOOKING AHEAD IN OUR CHURCH LIFE

March 13—Daylight Saving Time
Turn clocks ahead 1 hour

April 10—Palm Sunday worship 8:30AM, 11AM (2)

April 14—Maundy Thursday worship 6PM, Sanctuary

April 15—Good Friday worship 6PM, Sanctuary

April 17—Easter worship, 4 services Sunrise, 8:30AM, 11AM (2)

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, March 13, 2022

Time Change! Spring Forward

8:30-Noon Nursery Provided Wesley CTR

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

4:15PM Children's Choirs WESLEY CTR

5:00PM Sunday Meal/Program

WESLEY HALL

5:00PM Youth @ North Campus

MONDAY, March 14

9A-12PM Thrift Store Open 5:30PM Adult Handbells WESLEY CTR 5:45PM Monday Worship N CAMPUS

TUESDAY, March 15

9:00AM Staff Meeting OFC-2nd FLOOR 11:30AM Tennessee Collier Circle COVENANT TOWERS

WEDNESDAY, March 16

7:15AM **Youth Breakfast/Devo**CHICK FIL-A (Seaboard)

7:30AM Women's Prayer Group PRAYER ROOM

11:30AM Widows Lunch

1:00PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER

6:30PM Adult Chancel Choir MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, March 17

10:00AM Caregivers Group PARLOR

11:00AM Lent Study THE 925

11:15AM Snowbirds/Seagulls CHAPEL

1-4PM Thrift Store Open

5:30PM Band Rehearsal WESLEY CTR

6:00PM Living Free BRITTAIN FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, March 19

9:00AM UMW Planning Mtg PARLOR

MONDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

Join us for a week-night worship North Campus—5:45PM. Relax with music and meditation. Jim Creel, Jr. will bring the message from Luke 4:7-14.

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

