



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ May 14, 2023



10:00AM* Traditional, Sanctuary

10:00AM^ Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

*Facebook livestreamed

^YouTube livestreamed

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

6th Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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

Prelude

(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Children's Choirs

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Rev. Joel McMakin

* Chiming of the Trinity

* Opening Hymn

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

UMH #160

* 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

Exodus 2:1-20

Judy Winn

Pew Bible OT pg. #47

Anthem

"I Have Seen Jesus in You"

arr. Fair/Nolan

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

"Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

arr. Hughes

* The Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

* Offertory Prayer

Rev. Mullinix

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* Preparatory Hymn	“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”	UMH #420
* Sermon Text	Matthew 5:8	<i>Pew Bible NT pg. #4</i>
Sermon	“Blessed are the Pure in Heart”	Rev. McMakin
* Closing Hymn	“Trust and Obey”	UMH #467
* Benediction		Rev. McMakin
Postlude	“Passacaglia”	Young

(* Please and as you are able.)

<p style="text-align: center;">Attendance</p> <p>Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew to register your attendance. Members have the option to 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 style="text-align: center;">***Please ask the ushers for children’s Wiggle Bags, hearing devices or large print hymnals***</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Children</p> <p>First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer “Little Church” to children ages 3 to 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>
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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 our Heavenly Father and in honor of all past, present and future Mothers, and in celebration of the 46th wedding anniversary of Brenda and Ted Bellamy by their family.

Worship Flowers are needed for July 16, 23, 30; Aug 6, 13, 20. 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, trisha@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164 x207.

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 Worship

GREETERS—MAY

Front Entrance Kathy & Jim Render

Office Entrance Jean Hussey

USHERS—MAY

Annette Willett: Denise Daniels, Glen Daniels, Carol Ann Felts, Ronnie Felts, Dabney Joyner, Beth Rozier, Jim Rozier, Ed Willett

ACOLYTE Meredith Bowers

BIBLE BEARER Andrew Langway

CRUCIFER Lily Langway

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO Melissa Sadin

Serving in Contemporary Worship

Camera/Livestream Jason Gildner, Dorothy Hamrick **Slides** Rosie Swain

Lighting Jackson Uphold **Ushers** James Sturgeon, Mary Margaret Kittle

Little Church Elizabeth Brittain, Amanda Sturgeon



Monthly Mission Impact—MAY

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**



First Church needs volunteers at the **Community Kitchen** in Myrtle Beach the week of **May 29-June 2, 2023, Monday thru Friday.**

Two volunteers are needed for each shift each day.

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

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

The Community Kitchen of Myrtle Beach was founded on the thought of helping those in need, endeavoring to provide where the need is greatest. Their mission is to feed the hungry with both excellence and compassion. Please help support Community Kitchen through volunteering to serve and through your 2023 Faith Promise.

www.communitykitchenmb.org

IN REMEMBRANCE

Aelise Dailey Smith Harcum

April 13, 1931—May 9, 2023

“I am the resurrection and the life; those that believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live.”



NEW SUPPORT GROUP TO FORM

As we continue to grow as a church family, we would like to **expand our ministries** to include a **grief support group**. If you, a family member or friend could benefit from being part of the conversation that works through the **healing process for the loss of a loved one**, please **contact Pastor Michelle Louk**, mdlouk@umcsc.org or **Rosie Swain**, 843-455-5454 or rosie.swain@outlook.com.

BIBLE CHALLENGE—Read the New Testament in one year!

Week 20 (5/14/23) reading schedule (one chapter per day):

Book of Acts, chapters 7-11.

Weekly Bible Study for all, Wednesdays, 1:15PM, Magnolia's @ 26th, **Bible Study** 2nd floor, led by Pastor Michelle. All are invited to grab lunch downstairs, and join us upstairs for fellowship and study. mdlouk@umcsc.org



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"The most important things in any HOME are the PEOPLE."

~ Grandma's Pearl of Wisdom

First Church Weekly Readings:*

First Church invites you to follow this weekly Scripture lesson reading plan.

May 15 Isaiah 56:2-8
 May 16 Isaiah 58:6-10
 May 17 Amos 8:4-10
 May 18 Mark 1:21-28
 May 19 Mark 6:1-6
 May 20 Mark 13:10-17
 May 21 Matthew 12:1-14

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series
 "The Redemption of Creation"
 Matthew 12:1-14

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes (Wesley Bldg)

0-2 year-olds W-101
 3 & 4 year-olds/pre-K W-102
 Kindergarten/1st Grade 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
 New Creations A-203
 MD Moore* W-105
 Open Doors* W-103
 Open Fellowship* Music Ctr
 The Seekers A-207

TODAY WE GIVE TO THE EPWORTH MOTHER'S DAY

OFFERING! Today our church will receive the **Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering** to provide loving care, safety, and services for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Please find information about Epworth and the Mother's Day Offering on the **bulletin insert**. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. **Give generously by using the envelope provided** for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.



VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

(Volunteers arrive between 5:20PM and 5:30PM)

6 Registration Assistants (Monday/first night):

4 Registration Assistants (Tuesday – Thursday):

Assist parents with registration/sign in. Stay until 6:30PM for late registration.

2 Teachers each for Pre-K and K classes:

Teachers welcome the kids as they enter, oversee them during Opening Assembly, then transport children to a crafts or science station for lessons (materials provided); then take students to the playground for recreation.

2 Shepherds each—1st/2nd Grades, 3rd Grade, and 4th/5th Grade:

Shepherds welcome the children as they enter and remain with them the rest of the evening (Opening Assembly, stations, and Closing Assembly). Also, help monitor behavior of the children throughout the evening and assist as needed.

1 Recreation Station Leader and 2 Recreation Station Assistants—1st Grade and Above:

Coordinate recreation time with each age group (games, basketball, volleyball, etc). Help is also needed with drop-off and pick-up of children.

1 Science Station Assistant:

Coordinate and perform science experiments with the kids. Science projects will be suggested with curriculum, but leaders may choose to do something else. Help is also needed with drop-off and pick-up of children.

Other needs of interest: Decorations Committee, Assembly/Storytime Team (Music leader, Story teller—maybe cast of actors), Professor (Master of ceremony), Puppeteer, Youth assistant(s) in each area, Photographer, Timekeeper.

REGISTER: <https://onrealm.org/fumcmb/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MzliNjhkMzctMWY5MMy00NjNiLTg0OWItYWZlZDAxNGQzMGJj>



NEED A BREAK?

Our children's Sunday School teachers and Little Church leaders are here for our children every Sunday! Let's show our appreciation for their dedication and give them a rest as thanks! For the summer, Sunday School classes will be grouped as follows: Pre-K & 1st grade, 2nd–4th grades, 5th–8th grades, and 9th–12th grades.

If you could fill in for either **Sunday School or Little Church**, please **contact Rhonda** at volunteers@fumcmb.org or **843-448-7164**.



Patriotic Concert—July 1st and 2nd



Anyone interested in singing in the **annual Patriotic Concert** on July 1 & 2 should **reach out to Norman, 843-602-5582**. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:15-8:30 in the Music Suite.



Youth Schedule...

May 14: NO Youth Group (Mother's Day)
May 17: 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-Fil-A
May 21: End-of-Year Youth beach party

SALKEHATCHIE—Saturday June 17-24 or July 15-22

Salkehatchie Summer Service is a **home repair ministry of the SC United Methodist Church, for teens and adults age 14 and up.** From Saturday to Saturday, volunteers experience more than just a week of hard work. Their dedication and love help families feel comfortable and secure in their homes.

The two weeks for FUMC are **June 17-24 or July 15-22.** To register for either week, please go online to www.umcsc.org/salkehatchie/.

FUMC financial aid is available to help offset fees.

Contact Greg Clemmons, administrator@fumcmb.org.



2023 CCMF PARKING PASS FOR SALE

Pre-paid 4-day CCMF Parking Pass available on FUMC property—Members \$100; Non-members \$125 (cash or check). Please **contact Trisha** in the church office, 843-448-7164 or trisha@fumcmb.org during church office hours to purchase a pass.

MISSING CHERUB VASES (2) FROM THE CHURCH SACRISTY. HAVE YOU SEEN THIS **SET OF VASES?** Maybe they were borrowed and stored in someone's closet or garage. If or when found, please **call the church**, 843-448-7164, or **return** them **as soon as possible** to the church office. Thank you.



Thanks for Your Support!

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 5/7/2023 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of:	\$ 34,009
Total Revenue YTD:	\$ 571,682
Total Expenses YTD:	\$ 574,613
Difference YTD:	- \$ 2,931

Expenses include monthly apportionments & direct billing.

Faith Promise 2023:	\$ 110,760
Faith Promise Receipts 2023:	\$ 58,768

Presence 5/7/2023

♦ Worship in person:	353
♦ Fox TV (March wkly est)	1,712
♦ Worship online:	475
♦ Social Media:	5,001
♦ Sunday School:	130

First Church Thrift Store—Mondays 9AM-1PM | Thursdays 1-4PM | Sat. 10AM-2PM

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

Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)

YouTube: [@firstchurch6363](https://www.youtube.com/@firstchurch6363)

Request *The Steeple* via email: thesteeple@fumcmb.org

Televised worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7

On **Sunday, May 21st** at both services, we will welcome Sean Mazur with Community Kitchen to speak with us.

Happening This Week



SUNDAY, May 14, 2023

- 8:30A-11 AM **Nursery Provided** WESLEY CTR
- 9:00AM **Sunday School** ALL AGES
- 10:00AM **Contemporary Worship**[^]
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER [^]YouTube
- 10:00AM **Traditional Worship***
SANCTUARY *Facebook

MONDAY, May 15

- 9A-Noon **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 5:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY CENTER
- 6:00PM **Strategic Leadership Team**
ARK CLASSROOM

TUESDAY, May 16

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 11:00AM **Tennessee Collier Circle**
COVENANT TOWERS
- 3:00PM **Lautrelle Merchant Circle**
PARLOR
- 5:30PM **SPRC Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 6:00PM **Trustees Meeting** PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, May 17

- 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
- 1:15PM **Bible Study** MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC SUITE

THURSDAY, May 18

- 10:00AM **Caregivers Group** PARLOR
- 1-4PM **Thrift Store OPEN**
- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL

SATURDAY, May 20

- 10A-2PM **Thrift Store OPEN**

Thank you to the members of the Flower Committee for the flowers, love, prayers, and care that they have given me this year. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.
Thank you!
 In Christ,
 Sara Todd

On Friday, May 5th, **FUMC was represented** at the **Habitat Faith Build Home Ground Breaking** for the Ford Family by Penny Hale, Rod Adelstone and Scott Bowen along with Michelle Morgan, Habitat's Family Services Director. As one of the area churches supporting this construction, FUMC is giving \$20,000 toward the home build from a memorial fund designated to Missions. More info to come.



Home #171 Groundbreaking
2023 Faith Build

Ford Family

May 5, 2023

Upcoming Dates to Note 

- 5/21 CDM Graduation Sunday Contemporary worship
- 6/17 Salkehatchie
- 7/15 Salkehatchie
- 7/17 VBS @ Brittain Ctr, N Campus

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





Epworth's Annual Mother's Day Offering Sunday, May 14, 2023

Allie and her sister Mabry arrived on Epworth's campus last summer. They had been removed from their home by the South Carolina Department of Social Services, along with their two younger siblings who were placed in a foster home with Epworth's Foster Care program. Allie and Mabry missed their siblings but were thankful to be living together in the same cottage on Epworth's campus.

Initially, Allie did not want to go back home. At 16 years old, Allie was the oldest sibling of four. As her home life became unbearable with substance use and neglect, Allie had taken on the role of caregiver of her siblings. She felt protective and knew that they were in a safer environment on Epworth's campus and in a loving foster home.

Their mother was enrolled in an addiction treatment program and was working hard on her treatment goals so that she could become a better parent. The sisters, along with their mother, began to participate in family therapy at Epworth. The goal was to help rebuild their relationship and hopefully work toward reunification. Epworth is not only providing Allie and Mabry and their siblings with the care they need, but her family has been provided the opportunity to break a destructive cycle in their lives and create a promising future.

As their stay at Epworth lengthened, the siblings missed each other, and Epworth's staff worked together with the foster family to reunite the siblings with their mother at Family Day. This is a monthly event on Epworth's campus that gives children a chance to reunite with family members and play games and enjoy fellowship.

The more time that Allie spent with her mother at family therapy and monthly Family Day, her strained relationship began to restore itself. The counselors were able to help Allie process her feelings of resentment and anger. Her relationship with her mother improved so much that Allie felt ready to begin transitional visits in hopes of becoming a restored family by this summer.

These services to children and their families are available because of faithful people, like you. Make a generous gift today to Epworth's Mother's Day offering knowing you are a partner with Epworth in transforming the futures of children, like Allie and Mabry.

Mark 10:14-16

**Children's names and photo changed for confidentiality.*

Did you Know?

191

Number of children who lived at Epworth last year, each one from our own communities in SC.

265

Number of children served through Epworth's Foster Care Program

100%

Of your Mother's Day Offering provides comprehensive care for the children at Epworth. Epworth is not an apportioned item in the Annual Conference budget. Mother's Day is your opportunity to support Epworth's ministry.

2900 Millwood Ave. Columbia, SC 29205 | (803) 256-7394 | Give online @epworthchildrenshome.org

Mother's Day is next Sunday, and it's a day that brings up a variety of emotions for all of us. For the children at Epworth Children's Home, these emotions are front and center as they go through this time of year without their mothers. It is our role as Methodists to make sure that on Mother's Day and every day, the children at Epworth have everything they need to be loved and grow up happy and healthy. Epworth is our ministry. It is a place that we can be proud to support. We, as United Methodists, offer children at Epworth safety and security by surrounding them with loving, Christian adults such as educational tutors, counselors, pastors, and cottage parents. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference; this is our opportunity to support this ministry. As you prayerfully consider the gift God is calling you to share with Epworth next Sunday, I ask you to remember the children at Epworth and give generously.