



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH
A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ May 28, 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

Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

The liturgical color is red remembering the Holy Spirit coming to the Church.

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

Prelude "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Adent
(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 Fount of Every Blessing" UMH #400

* **Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Michelle Louk | 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** Psalm 104:1-4, 30-35 Rev. Dr. C. Norman Bennett, Jr.
Pew Bible OT pg. #524

Anthem "Amazing Savior" arr. Harlan

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Louk

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. McMakin
(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 "Pastorale" Couperin

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

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Louk

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* Preparatory Hymn	“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”	UMH #334
* Sermon Text	Matthew 5:1-11; 5:3	<i>Pew Bible NT pg. #4</i>
Sermon	“The Holy Spirit Lives Within Us”	Rev. McMakin
* Closing Hymn	“Gather Us In”	TFWS #2236
* Benediction		Rev. McMakin
Postlude	“A Trumpet Air”	Telemann

(*) 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. ***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). 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 God and in celebration of Rhonda and Gene Singleton’s 40th anniversary by Gene Singleton.

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 Wes Sturzenbecker
CRUCIFER Will Sturzenbecker

BIBLE BEARER Claire Sturzenbecker

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO Melissa Sadin

Serving in Contemporary Worship

Camera/Livestream Jason Gildner, Dorothy Hamrick **Slides** Rosie Swain
Lighting Jackson Uphold **Ushers** Lisa Watson, Rusty Watson
Children’s Moment Erin Perry
Little Church Missi McMakin, Michelle Sturzenbecker



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

Mary Frances Bowen

November 24, 1933—May 16, 2023

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



Gracious God, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

BIBLE CHALLENGE—Read the New Testament in one year!

Week 22 (5/28/23) reading schedule (one chapter per day):

Book of Acts, chapters 17-21.

Weekly Bible Study for all, Wednesdays, 1:15PM, Magnolia's @ 26th, 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"

"Today, I will begin to let God mold me into a new creature. He is the potter. We are the clay."
~ Steve Wakefield, author

*First Church Weekly Readings: **

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

May 29 Deuteronomy 5:1-7
May 30 Deuteronomy 8:11-18
May 31 Deuteronomy 10:12-18
June 1 Deuteronomy 19:15-21
June 2 Deuteronomy 22:1-3
June 3 Deuteronomy 28:1-14
June 4 Matthew 5:17-20

**Uniform Series International Lesson Series
"Stay in Your Lane"
Deuteronomy 28:1-68; Matthew 5:17-26*

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

**HELP ANSWER THE HERO HOTLINE
CALLED TOGETHER TO SERVE GOD!**

(HERO Volunteers arrive,
Monday-Thursday, 5:20-5:30PM)

6 Registration Assistants (Monday)
4 Registration Assistants (Tues–Thurs)

2 Teachers for Pre-K & K
(MATERIALS PROVIDED)

2 Shepherds per age group:
1st/2nd Gr, 3rd Gr, 4th/5th Gr

1 Recreation Station Leader & 2 Assistants

1 Science Station Assistant

Other Heroes needed: Decorations, Assembly/Storytime
(Music leader, Story teller—maybe cast of
actors), Youth helpers, Photographer,
Timekeeper.

REGISTER ONLINE:

[https://onrealm.org/fumcmb/PublicRegistrations/Event?
linkString=MzliNjhhMzctMWY5My00NjNiLTg0OWltYWZhZDAxNGQzMGI](https://onrealm.org/fumcmb/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MzliNjhhMzctMWY5My00NjNiLTg0OWltYWZhZDAxNGQzMGI)

**VBS
6PM-8PM
JULY 17-20th**



Brittain Center
N Campus



In the words of Matthew West:

If not us then who?

***If not me and you right now,
it's time for us to do something!!***



VOLUNTEER

ANITA BREAK GIVES ADVICE!

Sunday School teachers are a weekly blessing every
Sunday for our children and youth! Show them your
appreciation by offering your time during the summer.

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED! Materials are supplied.

Summer classrooms are in 4 groups: **Pre-K & 1st gr,**
2nd–4th gr, 5th–8th gr, and 9th–12th grades.

Anita says, “Prayerfully consider how you
might serve to lead **Sunday School.**”

Contact Rhonda, volunteers@fumcmb.org.



Patriotic Concerts—July 1st and 2nd

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



Youth Schedule...

May 31: 7:15AM Youth Breakfast, Chick-fil-a

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 ages 14 and up.** Volunteers experience more than just a week of hard work. Their dedication and love help families feel comfortable and secure in their homes.

FUMC weeks 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.



“BIG TOM & FRIENDS” First Friday Men’s Lunch meets June 2nd, 11:30AM at Magnolia’s @ 26th, dining upstairs. All men of the church are cordially invited. Rev. Ron Reichman will bring the devotion.



FUMC Thrift Store is now open on Saturdays from 10AM to 1PM. Donations may be made during Store hours. Thank you.

Please DO NOT leave items outside the store.

**STORE HOURS: Mondays 9AM—NOON
Thursdays 1PM—4PM
Saturdays 10AM—1PM**



The **Congregational Care Committee** will meet **Tuesday, May 30th at 2:00PM**, in the church **Parlor**. Members are encouraged to be prompt.



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 5/21/2023 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of:	\$ 20,127
Total Revenue YTD:	\$ 619,449
Total Expenses YTD:	\$ 636,033
Difference YTD:	- \$ 16,584

Expenses include monthly apportionments and direct billing.

MISSIONS 2023

Faith Promise:	\$ 111,160
Faith Promise Receipts:	\$ 60,533

Presence 5/21/2023

◆ Worship in person:	364
◆ Fox TV (March wkly est):	1,712
◆ Worship online:	661
◆ Social Media:	3,916
◆ Sunday School:	147

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

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

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

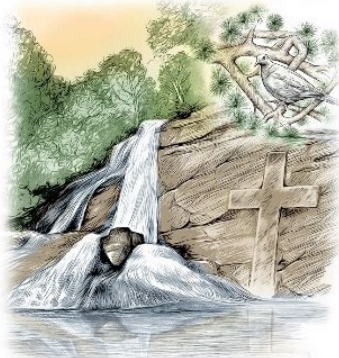
Televised worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7



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.

Seeking a More Excellent Way:



Breathe and Believe, Hewing Hope
UMCSC Annual Conference
June 4-7, 2023
Florence, SC
www.umcsc.org



If you are caring for a loved one with dementia, please consider joining

Compassionate Caregivers, a small group that offers encouragement, support, and information. We meet monthly on the **first and third Thursdays at 10AM in the church Parlor**. The local Alzheimer's unit offers a service to provide a sitter, if needed. For information, **contact Sherrill Allen at 843-251-1163 or sachilless@aol.com**.

Happening This Week



SUNDAY, May 28, 2023

- 8:45AM--
- 11:15AM **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 29

Memorial Day Holiday
Church Office CLOSED
Thrift Store CLOSED

TUESDAY, May 30

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 2:00PM **Congregational Care Mtg**
PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, May 31

- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 1:15PM **Bible Study** MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
MUSIC SUITE

THURSDAY, June 1

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

FRIDAY, June 2

- 11:30AM **Big Tom & Friends Men's Lunch & Devotion**
MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th, upstairs

SATURDAY, June 3

- 10A-1PM **Thrift Store OPEN**

Upcoming Dates to Note

- 6/2 Big Tom & Friends Men's Lunch 
- 6/4-8 UMC SC Annual Conference
- 6/17 Salkehatchie
- 6/25 Look-Up Lodge (pre-registered)
- 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

First United Methodist Church Myrtle Beach, 901 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach SC
Church Office Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8AM-5PM—CLOSED FRIDAYS
North Campus: Thomas N Brittain Center, 904 65th Ave N, Myrtle Beach SC

