## The Steeple ■ September 25, 2022



8:30AM\* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary 11:00AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

FIRST CHURCH 11:00AM\* Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr

A United Methodist Congregation

\*Facebook Live-stream

## WELCOME

We are blessed to have you with us in worship this day!

Our mission is to Follow Jesus and Share Him with Others.

## Order of Worship

16th Sunday after Pentecost

**September 25, 2022** 

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

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

**Prelude** "When in the Hour of Utmost Need" arr. J.M. Bach (The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Rev. Michelle D. Louk

- \* Chiming of the Hour
- \* Opening Hymn

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

UMH #514

\* Affirmation of Faith

Jim Creel, Jr. | 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 37:1-9

Judy Winn **8:30** Shelby Sansbury **11:00** 

Anthem

"Make This Church a Welcome Place"

arr. Williams/Raney

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Mr. Creel

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.

11:00 Children's Message

Yvonne Brittain

(Children 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

"When the Church of Jesus"

arr. D.S. Ferguson

\* The Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

\* Offertory Prayer

Mr. Creel

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* Hymn of Preparation	"As the Deer"	TFWS #2025
* Sermon Text	Haggai 2	Rev. Louk
Sermon	"God's Plan for the Future"	Rev. Louk
* Closing Hymn	"Take My Life and Let It Be"	UMH #399
* Benediction		Rev. Louk
Postlude	"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"	arr. E.L. Ashford

(\*) Stand as you are able.

#### Attendance

Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew to register your attendance or check-in on the Realm app on your mobile device.

## 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 after the 11AM Children's Time. 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.

We welcome our guests 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 memory of Harrison Clemmons who was loved by all who had the privilege of knowing him, from his Village.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Dec 11. 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.

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.

#### Serving in Worship

#### GREETERS—September

8:30 Front Mabel & Red Waldorf
8:30 Office Linda Gates
11:00 Front Leigh & David Meese
11:00 Office Carl Townsend
11:00 Breezeway Joanne Herring

## **USHERS—September**

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

ACOLYTE 8:30 Zachary Horsley 11:00 Andrew Langway
BIBLE BEARER 8:30 Thomas Horsley 11:00 Walker Brittain
11:00 Lilly Langway

VIDEO Jim Lewis AUDIO Melinda Morgan

## Serving in Contemporary Worship

**LIVESTREAM** Jason Gildner **SLIDES** Ben Gildner or Jonathan Kittle **USHERS** Don Myers, Daniel Shuler, and/or Mary Margaret Kittle



## onthly Mission Impact—SEPTEMBER

Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach is a short-term crisis and referral agency and a full-time pantry seeking to address the needs of our community not met by existing institutions, assisting individuals and families with immediate needs. www.helpinghandmb.org

Normal-sized items, please; <u>opened or expired items not accepted</u>. All non-perishable food items are welcome. Current needs:

Peanut butter/jelly, mac & cheese, instant potatoes, spaghetti noodles or pasta, spaghetti sauce, Grits/Oatmeal (box/individual packets), pork and beans, rice, canned carrots & mixed vegetables, Juice (bottles/pouches), Kool-Aid, milk (can/instant), coffee (bricks/jars instant), tea (bags/instant), hot chocolate (packets)

**Condolences**—The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Charlie Floyd** and family on the passing of his sister, **Sylvia Breeden**, August 30, 2022 in N Myrtle Beach; to **Rhonda Singleton** and family on the passing of her aunt, **Lorraine Edward**, September 15, 2022, in Greenwood, SC; and to **Alex and Chloe Montgomery** and family on the death of their father, **Richard Montgomery**, September 15, 2022 in Myrtle Beach.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

# Community Kitchen Of Myrtle Beach

Please volunteer and support our church by giving your time to one of our local mission organizations. **FUMC** provides volunteers at Community Kitchen in Myrtle Beach four weeks per year. Our next week to provide service is **Monday thru Friday**, **October 17th-21st**. Two volunteers are needed for each shift per day.

Breakfast: 7:00AM-10:00AM | Lunch: 10:00AM-1:30PM | Please contact Michelle Bowers 843-655-2253 to volunteer.

## Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Remember, behavior is always a better example than a lecture." ~ anonymous

Worship Guidelines: Please join us for worship as your health permits. We respect personal discretion on Masks. Please silence cell phones.

## First Church Weekly Readings:\*

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

Sep 26	Deuteronomy 10:17-22
Sep 27	Zechariah 7:8-14
Sep 28	Psalm 68:4-10
Sep 29	Psalm 146:1-10
Sep 30	Matthew 25:34-40
Oct 1	James 2:14-17
Oct 2	Exodus 22:21-27

<sup>\*</sup>Uniform Series International Lesson Series: "Sharing With the Vulnerable" James 2; Exodus 22:21-27

## Sunday School Classes

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Children's Classe 0-2 year-olds 3 & 4 year-olds pr Kindergarten/First 2nd & 3rd Grades 4th & 5th Grades Youth Classes	W-101 W-102 Gr W-205 W-203 W-204	
6th-12th Grades	Sonshine House	
Adult Classes Ark Brittain Fellowship Faith Foundations MD Moore New Horizons Open Doors* Open Fellowship*	The 925 Asbury 101 Asbury 103 Wesley 105 Asbury 201 Wesley 103 Music Center 101	

## Membership Classes September 25th, October 2nd, 9th 9:40AM to 10:40AM

Wesley Resource Library (Room W-104).

For more information, please contact Pastor Michelle, 843-448-7164 x203or

mdlouk@umcsc.org.



The First Friday Men's Lunch has a NEW NAME!
"Big Tom & Friends"

Our next meeting will be Friday, October 7th at 11:30AM at Magnolia's at 26th in the upstairs dining room (elevator conveniently available at the rear of the restaurant). All men are cordially invited to join us. Big Tom and Jim Creel, Jr. will have a devotion for us.

# REGISTER NOW!

# SC CONFERENCE 50th ANNUAL MEETING UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF) OCTOBER 21 & 22, 2022

Marion District and First Church Myrtle Beach will host women from around the state for the 50th Annual Meeting of the United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women) on the weekend of October 21-22, 2022. Registration and activities will be held in the Wesley Building and formal sessions will be held in the Sanctuary and Chapel. See the bulletin insert for registration and information. All women are welcome!

Women

## **FAITH PROMISE BUDGET & DISBURSEMENTS FOR 2022**

#### **BUDGET:**

- \$ 8,500 Cass Community
- \$ 3,500 Epworth Children's Home
- \$ 2,000 First Church College Ministries
- \$ 5,000 Gideons
- \$ 3,500 Habitat for Humanity of Myrtle Beach
- \$13,000 Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach
- \$13,000 New Directions
- \$ 6,000 Project Agape
- \$10,575 Racepath Community Center (through Phoenix Renaissance)
- \$ 9,000 Zoe Empowers

## DISBURSEMENT TOTAL\* as of 9/20/2022: \$39,558.89

\*Disbursements to missions organizations are based on a quarterly schedule with a few exceptions. The original budget was based on 75% of the original total of Faith Pledges. The next scheduled disbursement will be 9/30/2022 for \$19,125.

In addition, a "discretionary fund" of \$4,360 was built in for costs incurred for supplies on bunk bed projects as well as miscellaneous projects where costs are incurred. 

~ Penny Hale, Missions Chair

**How can I serve on the Missions Committee?** Members rotate on a 3-year schedule. Typically, 3 to 4 new members are nominated each year to replace those rotating off after their service. Those interested in serving on Missions may contact one of the Pastors.



# Youth Schedule...

Sept 25: 5:00PM Youth Group @ North Campus

**Sept 28: 7:15AM** Youth Prayer Breakfast Chick Fil-a, Mr. Joe White Ave.

Transportation via Church Bus to MB schools

Oct 2: 5:00PM Youth Group @ North Campus

#### CALLING ALL SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN. . .

to be in service to our church. Students in **grades 3—12** who are interested in serving occasionally to carry into worship the **Light** of Christ, the **Cross** of Christ and God's **Word**, please **contact Michelle Bowers at 843-655-2253**.

As Pastor Joel reminded us last week in his Benediction: "The whole time we were worshiping together, the Light of Christ was shining on the altar table, the Cross was [present] and God's Word was [present]; and our Acolytes took the **Light**, the **Cross** and the **Word** back out into the world—**and that's our job, too!**"

Please pray about serving God in His church.



Thank you for bringing in **book donations**—all are very much appreciated! **Our Church Library** has wonderful reading material just waiting for readers, including fiction and authors such as John Grisham and Mary Kay Andrews. Please stop by to browse. The **Fiction, Biography, and History sections** are behind the door as you enter the Library. ~ Peggy Ecker, Church Librarian



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## Financials and Attendance

## Gifts as of 9/18/2022 (includes online giving):

Giving week of: \$ 26,282
Giving YTD 2022: \$1,065,350
Expenses YTD 2022: \$ 1,232,956
Difference YTD 2022: - \$167,606
Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Missions Faith Promise: \$101,000

Missions Faith Promise: \$ 101,000 Faith Promise Receipts: \$ 100,819

## Presence 9/18/2022

♦ Worship: 373
 ♦ Fox TV (July wkly est) 1,400
 ♦ Worship Facebook/Web: 516
 ♦ All Social Media: 1,707
 ♦ Sunday School: 164

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
Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/FUMCMB Website: www.fumcmb.org
Instagram: firstchurchmb

Request emailed *Steeple*: thesteeple@fumcmb.org Televised Worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, *FOX Channel* 7

## Contemporary Worship Sunday, 11AM 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!

Pastor Joel will bring the message from Haggai 2.



Child Development Ministry of First Church Book Fair October 3-7 8AM-10AM

or 2PM-6PM 904 65th Ave N, MB

Books - infants to elementary ages Sales benefit CDM students and classrooms



Thank you for the prayers, cards, calls, food, and fellowship. Special thanks to the church Staff, the Flower Ministry, and the M.D. Moore Class for your support and care.

~ The Clemmons Family

Thank you, church family, for all the recent calls, visits, prayers, cards and flowers. You are truly a blessing. Prayers answered. God is good!

~ Janie McKnight

Thank you First Church for your continued support of the College Ministry—it would not be possible without you. Please know that these

little packages of school supplies and snacks mean so much to the students. They are reminded that they are loved by God and their church family." ~ College Ministry



## Happening This Week



## SUNDAY, September 25, 2022

8:30-NOON Nursery Provided WESLEY CTR

8:30AM **Traditional Worship\***SANCTUARY / LIVE-STREAM\*

9:45AM Sunday School—All Ages

9:40AM New Member Class
WESLEY RESOURCE LIBRARY

9:45AM Confirmation Class
CHURCH OFFICE-UPPER ROOM

11:00AM Contemporary Worship\*
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER

11:00AM **Traditional Worship** SANCTUARY

4:15PM Children's Choirs WESLEY CENTER

5:00PM **UMYF Youth Group** TNBC-NORTH CAMPUS

## MONDAY, Sept 26

9A-Noon Thrift Store OPEN

9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR

5:30PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER—UPSTAIRS

5:30PM **Stewardship Committee**CHURCH OFC—UPSTAIRS

## TUESDAY, Sept 27

2:00PM Congregational Care Mtg PARLOR

## WEDNESDAY, Sept 28

7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast CHICK FIL-A, SEABOARD

7:30AM Women's Prayer Group PRAYER ROOM

1:00PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER

6:30PM Wesley Chancel Choir MUSIC CENTER

## THURSDAY, Sept 29

9A-12PM Library (staffed)

1-4PM Thrift Store Open

5:30PM Band Rehearsal WESLEY HALL

6:00PM Living Free BRITTAIN FELLOWSHIP

## SATURDAY, Sept 30

8AM-4PM CDM Teacher Training

BRITTAIN CENTER-N CAMPUS

#### **Ministers**

Rev. Joel W. McMakin, Senior Pastor Rev. Chad W. Mullinix, Youth Director Rev. Michelle D. Louk, Associate Pastor Rev. Thomas N. Brittain, Pastor Emeritus

