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CHURCH

100 YEARS

A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ August 2, 2020

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

8:30AM Traditional/Blended (Facebook Live)

11:00AM Traditional/Blended Worship



Ministers and Ministry Directors

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle, Senior Pastor
Rev. Meredith M. Dark, Nurture Pastor
Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor Emeritus
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Julia Brooks, Director
Children's Ministry
Cindy Johnson, Director
Child Development Ministry

Norman McQueen, Director
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D. Scott Ferguson, Pianist/Organist
Chad Mullinix, Director
Youth Ministry
Grant Nesmith, Melody Gildner
Co-Directors - Youth Ministry
Philip Keilen, Director
Coastal Samaritan Counseling Center

Welcome

Thank you for being with us in worship this Sunday! Our mission at First Church 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."

Church Office Regular Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00AM - 5:00PM; CLOSED FRIDAY
Main Campus, 901 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach SC 29577 ■ 843-448-7164
North Campus, Thomas N Brittain Center (TNBC), 905 65th Ave N, Myrtle Beach SC 29572

WORSHIP GUIDELINES in effect until further notice

Join us for worship on Sunday, as your health permits. We continue to request that everyone please follow these guidelines to ensure everyone's health and safety. Our current capacity remains at 150 per service.

8:30AM and 11:00AM Worship-Traditional/Blended in the Sanctuary
Facebook Live @ 8:30AM

*****Please register your attendance (name, address, phone#). Ushers will provide pen/paper then place pen/paper in the specific containers as you exit.*****

- **Sanitization** continues weekly and manually between services
- Please wear a **face covering** during worship—maintain **social distance**
- Access only through the **Front Door** center aisle (if rain, use breezeway side door)
- **Ushers** will seat & dismiss guests (**please do not insist on your regular seat**)
- **Families** may sit together in one pew without distancing
- **Offering plates** are situated at the doors upon exit; please **move outside** to visit
- **Narthex restrooms** only available; **Children under 12**, parent must accompany
- **NO Nursery, NO Children's Church, NO Wiggle Bags, NO Sunday School**



Our **Child Development Ministry (CDM)** was recently gifted with a **new 25-foot flagpole and flag** placed in the outdoor musical area known as **Eddie's Garden** (memorial to Eddie White) which replaces the previous pole due to weather-related damage. Many thanks for the kind and thoughtful donation for this fine addition.



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"FAITH does not make things easy, it makes them possible!"

~ Bianca Olthoff, author

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Aug 3	Jeremiah 2:4-13
Aug 4	Luke 9:51-56; Acts 8:25
Aug 5	John 5:31-40
Aug 6	Romans 1:8-14
Aug 7	John 4:4-14
Aug 8	John 4:15-26
Aug 9	John 4:27-42

***ALL IN-PERSON
SUNDAY SCHOOL
CLASSES ARE CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.***

** Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: John 4:4-42
"Come and See"*



Monthly Mission in Motion for AUGUST

Happy Wheels Children's Ministry



A non-profit Christian program of the **Medical University of South Carolina Children's Hospital**. The goal of Happy Wheels is to brighten the days of **hospitalized children ranging from infants to age 17**. The Happy Wheels gift cart visits approximately **80 children each week**. During a child's hospital stay, a child **may choose a book, puzzle, or hand-held toy from the cart**. The value of each gift usually ranges from \$8-\$16.

Donation bins are located in the church office. Gifts will be delivered to MUSC Children's Hospital at the end of the month. Monetary donations are also welcomed.

Congratulations to Kay and George Nicholson on the recent births of their two grandsons in Colorado. Coleman Russell Turner was born on June 20, 2020 to Margaret and Kyle Turner, and George Luke Nicholson was born on July 20, 2020 to Becca and Bryan Nicholson.

Holy Baptism and New Member

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to **Richard Stoutamyer** on July 6, 2020, and he was received into membership by Profession of Faith in a service held in his home by Rev. Thomas Brittain.

Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, August 12th

11:30AM at Magnolia's

Fellowship, Lunch, and Devotion



"Peace and Understanding"

Philippians 4:5-7: *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Continuing in the book, **Real Solutions for Caring for Your Elderly Parent**, the authors discuss life events that lead to grief, often resulting in depression—personal, physical, and social losses, the absence of hope and purpose. Many factors play a role in the caregiver's response to support these needs—listening, asking questions, sharing, encouraging, being present and proactive—in order to understand and to be willing to provide reassurance and solutions. Spending time to make a phone call, providing a gentle touch or a hug are good ways to initiate a conversation.

For further reading, find this book in your local library or go to www.amazon.com. Please forward your thoughts or questions on this book to Rev. Meredith Dark, mmdark@umcsc.org.



Help4Kids SUMMER MISSION!

Sandwiches continue to be needed for area children now **through SEPT 2nd** on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. Individually wrapped sandwiches may be delivered directly to Help 4 Kids by 9AM (MWF), 2523 Forestbrook Rd **OR** bring sandwiches to the **church office by 8:30AM (Wednesdays only)** for delivery.



UM Youth Fellowship: Summer Youth activities...

~Sunday Youth Group @ North Campus
@ 6:30–7:30PM—Devotion and outdoor
games only.

~Wednesday Workouts & Devotion
@ 7PM @ 66th Ave North Beach Access
(weather permitting). Feel free to come
workout and/or hang out on the beach!

Youth—Sunday @ North Campus



Pastor Meredith will deliver **Youth** "prayer rocks" to our shut-ins in the coming days in hopes of bringing a little light into their lives. Anyone visiting the church office may also pick one up to take home.

FEEDBACK
COMMENTS



QUESTIONS
CONCERNS

Having returned to a slightly altered form of worship during the pandemic, we would like to evaluate the changes that are in place. Anyone having a question, comment, or concern about our return to the physical property for worship, please let us know your thoughts so we may be in tune with one another. **Please email your comments to office@fumcmb.org.**

Gifts as of 7/26/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 33,629
Giving YTD:	\$ 722,661
Expenses YTD:	\$ 832,513
Difference YTD:	- \$ 109,582
Add PPP Loan (to be forgiven):	\$ 130,935
Adjusted Difference YTD:	\$ 21,083

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 7/26/2020

◆ Worship:	106
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	1,410
◆ All Social Media:	8,910
◆ Sunday School:	Meeting online

First Church Thrift Store—CLOSED during COVID-19

Mailing address: First United Methodist Church, PO Box 1367, Myrtle Beach SC 29578-1367

Phone: 843-448-7164 Email: office@fumcmb.org Website: www.fumcmb.org

Become a Fan: www.facebook.com/FUMCMB Follow us on Twitter: www.twitter.com/fumcmb

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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, August 2, 2020

**NO Nursery, Communion
or Sunday School**

8:30AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE 8:30
11:00AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**
SANCTUARY

IN PERSON
MASK & DISTANCING, please

MONDAY, August 3

8:00-5PM **CHURCH OFFICE OPEN DAILY**
PLEASE OBSERVE DISTANCING

TUESDAY, August 4

9:00AM **Staff Meeting**
OFFICE/2nd FLR



August 9, 2020 is designated as Aldersgate Special Needs Sunday by the South Carolina Conference. Your support makes it possible for us to care for the residents and three homes, as well as plan for the future. Aldersgate does not receive funds from apportionments and depends on contributions from churches, groups, and individuals. Please consider a special offering on this day. For more information, visit <https://www.aldersgatespecialneedsministry.org/>

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS
JULY 2020 BULLETIN

IN MEMORY OF:

Hilda Crocker

Gene & Rhonda Singleton (TV Ministry)

James Crossingham

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Euralee Lois DuBose

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Robert Elliott

Peggy Elliott (Flower Fund)

Robert T. Elliot (Flower Fund)

Jackie Fuchs

Neal Bowers (Memorial Fund)

EmilyAnn Skews (Music Fund)

Tom & Rhonda Slavish (Youth Fund)

Bonnie & Hugh Huggins (Shepherds Child)

Charles Haga

Rachel Platt (Help 4 Kids)

Gene & Rhonda Singleton (Music Fund)

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Martha Hewell

Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)

Bob Poston

Gene & Rhonda Singleton (TV Ministry)

Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)

Carolyn Davis Thompkins

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Michael Wheeler

Gene & Rhonda Singleton (Music Fund)

Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)

IN HONOR OF:

Susan Carson

Sally Connolly (TV Ministry)

Barrett John & Wesley Parker Wheeler

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)