



100 YEARS
A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ August 9, 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
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Julia Brooks, Director
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Child Development Ministry

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Chad Mullinix, Director
Youth Ministry
Grant Nesmith, Melody Gildner
Co-Directors - Youth Ministry
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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**



Due to the uncertainty of COVID-19, SAFE SANCTUARY AND ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING previously scheduled for September 19th is cancelled until a future date TBD.

Stephen Ministry

In March, we scheduled an interest meeting which was then cancelled due to the pandemic. There is a great need for this ministry at First Church. Anyone interested in finding out more about **becoming a Stephen Minister**, please **contact Gerrie Watson at info@gerriewatsonccim.com** or 843-424-9965.



In special worship on **September 6th**, we will honor our local frontline **first responders**: medical personnel, police/firemen/EMS. In addition to reaching into the community, we would like to know all First Church members who represent these fields of service so we may also celebrate your service. **Please forward these member names** to Jennifer Hupko, hupko@fumcmb.org.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Control what you can. Pray about what you can't."

~ Trent Shelton, former NFL wide receiver

*First Church Weekly Readings: **

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

Aug 10	Leviticus 19:9-18
Aug 11	Romans 13:8-10
Aug 12	Romans 15:1-7
Aug 13	Galatians 5:4-15
Aug 14	Acts 27:3—28:2
Aug 15	Luke 10:25-28
Aug 16	Luke 10:29-37

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

* Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: Luke 10:25-37
"Who Is My Neighbor?"

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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.

THE MARION DISTRICT LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES TRAINING SCHOOL VIA ZOOM — September 13th and 20th, 2:30PM to 8PM

Attend both classes to receive credit and completion certificate
REGISTER BY AUGUST 15, 2020—Fee: \$30.00—submit check and form
(form available in the church office or from **Gerrie Watson, 843-424-9965**)
Mail form and check to Ann Sowers,
Co-Director of Lay Servant Ministries, 3485 Bristol Ln, Myrtle Beach SC 29577



Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, August 12th

11:30AM at Magnolia's

Fellowship, Lunch, and Devotion



"Peace of Mind"

Matthew 6:19-21: "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

A necessary chapter in the book, **Real Solutions for Caring for Your Elderly Parent**, addresses the need for children to help aging parents manage their financial resources. This begins with communication to assure them of their own financial well-being and legacy. Maybe they need help in various planning decisions like investments, insurance, asset management, estate planning, wills, or alternative living arrangements. These are difficult topics to discuss; the intention is to honor the parents' wishes by knowing the elements of those wishes. Suggesting other resources to assist like an attorney, financial planner, or trusted friend to provide direction, may be what is needed to begin.

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 @ North Campus



FUN AND

FELLOWSHIP



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.

Thank You

To my FUMC family:
Thank you for the thoughtful prayers and cards during my recent illness. I appreciate and love my church family.

~ Imogene Booth

A special thank you to the volunteers who served at the **Community Kitchen** last week. Your efforts are appreciated!

~ Lesa Jones

Gifts as of 8/2/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 23,621
Giving YTD:	\$ 746,399
Expenses YTD:	\$ 862,678
Difference YTD:	- \$ 116,279
Add PPP Loan (to be forgiven):	\$ 130,935
Adjusted Difference YTD:	\$ 14,656

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 8/2/2020

◆ Worship:	120
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	813
◆ All Social Media:	5,858
◆ 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 9, 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 10

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

5:30PM **Missions Ministry**
CHAPEL

TUESDAY, August 11

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

10:00AM **UMW Exec Board**
PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, August 12

11:30AM **Ladies Lunch/Devo**
MAGNOLIA'S AT 26TH-upstairs

5:00PM **Worship Ministry**
OFFICE/2nd FLOOR

THURSDAY, August 13

8AM-5PM **Life Line Screening**
WESLEY BUILDING



August 9, 2020 is designated as Aldersgate Special Needs Sunday by the South Carolina Conference. Your support makes it possible 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/](https://www.aldersgatespecialneedsministry.org/)

THE MARION DISTRICT LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES TRAINING SCHOOL

CLASSES
WILL BE HOSTED:
ON-LINE VIA ZOOM
Log-in information will be
e-mailed to all who register

SCHOOL DATES WILL BE:

September 13TH & 20TH
2:30PM – 8:00PM

You must attend both classes
in full in order to receive credit
and a certificate of completion.

REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY:

August 15, 2020
LATE REGISTRATIONS
CANNOT BE ACCEPTED!

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Cost is \$30.00
Submit check
with registration form.
Make checks payable to
Marion District
Lay Servant Ministries

MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND CHECK TO:

ANN SOWERS
CO-DIRECTOR
OF LAY SERVANT
MINISTRIES
3485 BRISTOL LANE
MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29577

TECHNICAL NOTES:

You can use any device that
will sustain a reliable internet
connection. Audio and
microphone will be required.
A camera is recommended,
but not required.

*Exception: A camera will be
required to participate in From
Your Heart to Theirs.

CLASS SELECTION Introduction to Lay Ministry:

The Basic Course

This is the required course for
all beginners to lay servantry.
It also serves as the refresher
course for those who wish to
be recertified.

The Basic Course for Youth: Back to School!

Servant and spiritual
leadership, caring ministries,
basic communication skills,
and sharing your faith, all
designed to enhance your
knowledge and skill as a
leader. (Jr/Sr High Students)

United Methodist Polity

This course gives participants
an overview of the structure
and organization of the
United Methodist Church.

From Your Heart to Theirs*

Move beyond the basics of
public speaking and build the
foundations for preparing an
engaging sermon, how to
move from communication on
paper to beyond the paper.

Justice in Everyday Life

Takes an in-depth look at the
social principles of the United
Methodist Church—the
church's attempt to speak on
contemporary issues with
which it is confronted today.

Opening Ourselves to Grace

Explores the basic practices
of Christian faith and life
from a Wesleyan perspective,
help your congregation
understand the transforming
power of grace.

Discipleship Begins with Relationship

Helps lay servant leaders
understand and adapt an
intentional discipleship plan
for their church context.

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____

E-mail: _____

MARK YOUR FIRST CHOICE WITH #1 AND YOUR SECOND CHOICE WITH #2.

_____ BASIC COURSE

_____ BASIC COURSE FOR YOUTH

_____ UNITED METHODIST POLITY

_____ FROM YOUR HEART TO THEIRS*

_____ JUSTICE IN EVERYDAY LIFE

_____ OPENING OURSELVES TO GRACE

_____ DISCIPLESHIP BEGINS WITH
RELATIONSHIP

PASTOR'S SIGNATURE: (REQUIRED)

(If your church has not returned to in-person
worship, then your pastor may send his/her
approval via e-mail to sowersann@gmail.com)