

The Steeple ■ December 5, 2021

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30AM* Traditional, Sanctuary

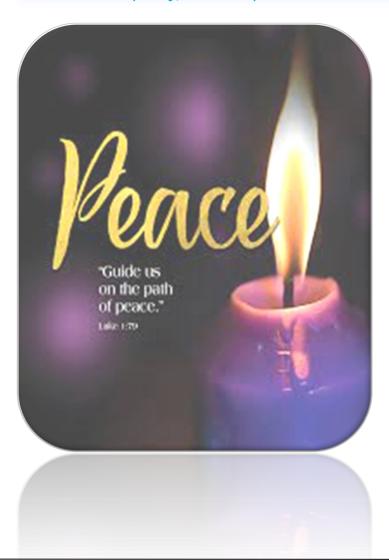
11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary

*also Facebook Live-stream

MONDAY WORSHIP /No Meal

5:45PM Contemporary, North Campus



Ministers

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle, Senior Pastor Rev. Meredith M. Dark, Nurture Pastor **Rev. Thomas Brittain**, Pastor Emeritus **Rev. Jennifer Donkle**, Minister,

Christian Education/Programming

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."

First United Methodist Church Myrtle Beach
Church Office Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:00AM-5:00PM—CLOSED FRIDAY
Main Campus (office), 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



Welcome Snowbirds & Seagulls!

Snowbirds & Seagulls ministry is a weekly program that starts in January and continues through March. This ministry is geared for the local and snowbird seniors. Weekly programs are held on Thursday mornings, and weekly golf outings take place on Tuesday mornings. Information packets and applications are available online or in the church office. For additional information, please contact Scott Bowen 843-448-7164. Weekly programs and Tournament Winners will be shown below. **All meals are \$5.00 per person.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



First Church scheduled to serve at Community Kitchen Week of December 20-25

Masks and social distancing are in effect; gloves provided.

To Volunteer, please contact Lesa Jones, 704-796-7280 or LJones6430@gmail.com



ONE Combined worship service on Sunday Dec. 26th at 10AM in the Sanctuary.

Children may come to church in their PJ's. No Sunday School that day.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to SERVE."

~Mark 10:45

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Dec 6 Dec 7 Dec 8 Dec 9 Dec 10 Dec 11 Dec 12	Psalm 40:1-5 Psalm 48:9-11 Psalm 73 Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 Exodus 3:1-3 Psalm 8:1-5
Dec 12	Luke 1:26-38, 46-55

^{*}Uniform Series —International Lesson Series: Luke 1 "Mary's Pondering"

Sunday School Classes

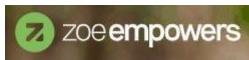
Children's Classes

0-2 year-olds 3 and 4 year-old preschool Kindergarten/First Grade 2nd and 3rd Grades 4th and 5th Grades	Nursery Wesley 102 Wesley 205 Wesley 203 Wesley 204
Youth Classes 6th - 12th Grades	Sonshine House
Adult Classes Ark Brittain Fellowship Faith Foundations M.D. Moore* New Horizons Open Doors* Open Fellowship*	The 925 Asbury 101 Asbury 203 Wesley 105 Asbury 201 Wesley 103 Music Center 101

<u>WORSHIP GUIDELINES:</u> Join us for worship as your health permits. Please use personal discretion for Masks and Distancing; however, **masking is recommended**.



onthly Mission in Motion for DECEMBER



www.zoeempowers.org

The journey out of poverty all starts with hope—Zoe equips orphans in Kenya with tools and training to overcome life-threatening poverty for good. Monetary donations may be made payable to First UMC, note "Zoe", and may be placed in the offering plate or dropped by the church office.

Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Debra Sturkey** and family on the passing of her mother, **Ellen Dienhart**, on November 26, 2021.

Longest Night Service—December 21st—5PM—Chapel

ANGEL TREES for our OUREACH MINISTRY



The Congregational Care Committee has decorated two Angel Trees: One is in the narthex of the sanctuary; the other is in the Contemporary worship area. Each tree is covered with angels with the names of our outreach members. Please select an "angel" and one of the stockings containing a list inside of stocking stuffer suggestions! Contact info is included on the back of each angel to help you deliver before **Christmas**. During this Advent season, it is our hope that all of us will reflect on our many blessings, and "Be an ANGEL to one of our own!"

Effective immediately, weekly Monday Night Meals will be discontinued until further notice. Monday Night Worship will continue as scheduled. Updates in The **Steeple**.

The **Flower Ministry** is in need of medium flower vases for new arrangements of the worship flowers that are delivered to FUMC members who are sick, grieving, or for "special happiness". Vase donations may be brought to the church office.



First Church has **vintage** dishes for sale—14 place settings remain. If interested in one or more settings,



please contact Darlene Rebeck at darebeck@hotmail.com.



Cloister Circle's annual **Poinsettia fundraiser**—help adorn our worship spaces during Christmas week. Order forms are available in the Narthex, Wesley Center, and church office. Plants are \$15 each and may be given "in memory of or in honor of" a loved one. This year's mission beneficiary is MBHS Student Computer Insurance Fund. Please make checks payable to FUMC, note "Poinsettia". Orders are due by Dec 8th.



UMW Annual Oak Tree Lighting. Please donate a string of lights for \$20 to the 7th Annual "Tree Lighting Memorial Fund"—"in Memory or in Honor of a Loved One" Proceeds will benefit UMW missions. Forms are available in the Narthex, Wesley Center or church office thru Dec 31.



Youth Schedule...

Dec 5: 4-7:30 Youth @ N Campus \$10

Dinner & Shepherd's Child Shopping

Dec 8: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast

Southern House of Pancakes (\$7)

Dec 11: 5-8PM Ugly Sweater Potluck Dinner

Youth Christmas Party/gift exchange

REVOLUTION

January 29—Township Center, Columbia SC from mid-morning to 9PM. Registration fee \$60/per person includes admission and T-shirt. Please register by 12/30/21 with one of the youth leaders—Chad Mullinix, Melody Gildner, Grant Nesmith.

More details to follow.

Shepherd's Child | Dec 12th

Shepherds Child was born out of the need to bring the **love of Christmas to children** in need through financial assistance, a meal, gift giving, and sharing the Christmas Story. The day's activities are planned in advance by First Church adults and youth, and your **financial help** is needed. All monetary **donations will go towards Shepherd's Child**.

Please make checks payable to FUMC and note, "Shepherd's Child", and place in the offering plate during worship or mail to the church office. Thank you.



Sunday, Dec 12th at 2PM
Meet at FUMC Wesley Building to ride the
Church Bus around town
and spread Christmas Joy!
Hot Cocoa & Cookies
Parents may pick up children at 5:30PM



Summer Camp June 5-10, 2022

REGISTER ONLINE—www.asburyhills.org

Scholarships are available at the discretion of the church. For financial assistance, apply first through Asbury Hills for a scholarship, then apply through FUMC. The church will provide bus transportation for 5 or more children. Financial aid questions, please contact Rev. Jennifer Donkle,

donkle@fumcmb.org.

Transportation questions, contact Cindy Johnson, **chcoop9@aol.com**.

Thank you to the congregation for their continued support of the College Ministry. Our cookie/goodie boxes were packaged and shipped out on Tuesday, November 30.





Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 11/28/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of: \$ 24,466 Giving YTD: \$ 1,385,451 Expenses YTD: \$ 1,562,888 Difference YTD: - \$ 177,437

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 11/28/2021

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♦	Worship:	387
♦	Fox TV (Oct. avg)	1,100
♦	Worship Facebook/Web:	857
•	All Social Media:	1,437
♦	Sunday School:	124

First Church Thrift Store—Mondays: 9AM-1PM and Thursdays: 1-4PM. Seasonal donations accepted.

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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, December 5, 2021

8:30-12:00 Nursery Provided WESLEY CTR	
8:30AM Traditional Worship SANCTUARY FACEBOOK LIVE	
9:45AM Sunday School—All Ages	
9:45AM Confirmation Class SONSHINE HOUSE	
11:00AM Contemporary Worship WESLEY WORSHIP CTR FACEBOOK	(
11:00AM Traditional Worship SANCTUARY	
4:15PM Children's Choirs WESLEY CENTER	
5:00PM Sunday Meal Wesley CENTER 5:45PM Advent Study Wesley CENTER	
4-7:30PM Youth Shopping & Dinner	
MONDAY, Dec 6	
8A-5PM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN M-TH 9A-12PM Thrift Store Open	ł
5:45PM Monday Worship N CAMPUS	
5:30PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER	
6:30PM Festive Brass Rehearsal THE 925	
TUESDAY, Dec 7	
9:00AM Staff Meeting OFC-2nd FLOOR	
10:00AM UMW Exec Board Mtg PARLO)R
WEDNESDAY, Dec 8	
7:00AM Youth Breakfast/Devo (\$7) SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES	
7:30AM Women's Prayer Group PRAYER ROOM	
11:30AM Ladies Lunch Devo MAGNOLIA'S @ 26TH, UPSTAIRS	
1:00PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal WESLEY CENTER	
2:00PM Good Grief Book Study PARLOR	
6:30PM Adult Chancel Choir MUSIC CENTER	
THURSDAY, Dec 9	
11:00AM Advent Study CHAPEL	
1-4PM Thrift Store Open	
6:00PM Living Free BRITTAIN FELLOWSHIR)
FRIDAY, Dec 10	
8:30AM Band Rehearsal	

WESLEY CENTER

WELCOME TO



In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to First United Methodist Church. We hope you feel the presence of God in our worship together.

Our Invitation

You are invited to begin your journey today by becoming a disciple of Jesus Christ and a member of the First United Methodist Church family of faith.

failing of faith.	
Please tell us about yourselves.	
(Please tear off and place in the offering plate.)	
Date	
Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Rev.	
Name	
Address	
CityStateZip	
Phone: Home/Cell	
Work	
Email	
Age Group 1-19 20-35 35-49	
□ 50-65 □ 65 - up	
☐ Married ☐ Single ☐ Widowed ☐ College ☐ Youth ☐ Child	
Spouse's Name	
Children & Ages (living at home)	
First time guest	
New in community	
Interests and opportunities to serve	
☐ How to become a Christian	
☐ Knowing more about First Church	
☐ Would like Pastor to call	
☐ Adult Ministry	
☐ Youth Ministry	
☐ Children's Ministry	
☐ Preschool/Kindergarten Ministry	
☐ Child Development Ministry	
Music Ministry-Choir	
Music Ministry-Hand Bells	
United Methodist Women	
Sunday School	
Small Group Bible Study	
☐ Homebound Ministry	
☐ Prayer Ministry	
☐ Vacation Bible School	
Thrift Store	
How did you find us?	



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Online

Friend

Other

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS FOR NOVEMBER 2021 BULLETIN

IN MEMORY OF:

Everett Butler

Emily Ann Skews (Kitchen Fund) Leslie & Scott Wasserman (Kitchen Fund)

Bill Clontz

Tom & Rhonda Slavish (Music Fund)

Melanie Gasper

Carrie Inabinet (Choir Fund)
John & Carolyn Streater (Choir Fund)
Open Fellowship Class (Choir Fund)

Lib Iseman

Dr. & Mrs. Donald Eagerton (TV Ministry)
Martha Stanton (TV Ministry)
Charles & Vanessa Surles (TV Ministry)
Judith Mountjoy (TV Ministry)
Carmen Springs (TV Ministry)
Arnold's Pools Inc (TV Ministry)
Heath & Jim Cartwright (TV Ministry)
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
M.D. Moore Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Tom & Rhonda Slavish (Music Fund)
Kathy & Bill Rodwell (Music Fund)

Ann Makins

Jim Makins (Kitchen Fund)

Ruth Melton

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Martha Peterson

Tennessee Collier Circle (FUM Academy)
Thrift Store Volunteers (General Funds)

Lester Porter

Carrie Inabinet & Family (Choir Fund)

Donnie Todd

Thrift Store Volunteers (General Funds)

IN HONOR OF:

Tom Brittain

Robert & Shirley Schmidt Fund (Summer Camp Endowment)

Jennifer & Vance Donkle

Linda & Rick Hussey (Youth Fund)

Jean Russo

Sally Connolly (Help 4 Kids)

Beth & John Morrow

Marilyn Mason (Music Fund) Linda & Rick Hussey (TV Ministry)

Dudley Robinson

Rosalin Robinson (General Funds)