



The Steeple ■ February 21, 2021

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

Bishop Gary Rivas, Evangelism Pastor
North Campus

Jennifer Hupko, Director

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Music Ministry

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Jayne Smith, Director, Hand Bells

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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 & 11:00AM Worship-Traditional/Blended, Sanctuary; **Facebook Live @ 8:30AM**

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

- **Sanitization** weekly and between services
- **Face mask** and **social distance** during worship
- Access via 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 — Virtual Sunday School**

Snowbirds and Seagulls

We look forward to resuming Snowbirds and Seagulls in January 2022 for our 37th year of ministry. May God bless you and keep you safe.



February 23 | Hackler at CCU Golf Course

February 16 | Myrtle Beach National—West Course—15 Participants

1st Place: Score of 73: Bill Koppel, Carl Palmburg, Terry Balla

2nd Place: Score of 75: Roger Davis, Bob Thomas, Les Haga, Dick Stevens



The **Epworth Center for Counseling** is a community based outpatient counseling center **providing services for children, teens, adults and families** offering: Individual, Family, Group Therapy and Parenting Classes. For additional information, please contact the **Center for Counseling at 803-667-4697** or visit the website, www.epworthchildrenshome.org/institute/epworth-center-for-counseling/

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Don't let the ugly in others destroy the beauty in you."

~ Things To Ponder

*First Church Weekly Readings:**

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

Feb 22	Jeremiah 7:1-11
Feb 23	Isaiah 56:1-8
Feb 24	Matthew 21:1-11
Feb 25	Matthew 21:12-17
Feb 26	Matthew 21:23-27
Feb 27	I Corinthians 3:16-23
Feb 28	Ephesians 2:17-22

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

Virtual Classes available

** Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: Matthew 21:1-17
"Jesus Clears the Temple
(The Second Sunday of Lent)"*

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Monthly Mission in Motion—FEBRUARY

Please help our CDM teachers continue to provide quality Christian education and child care by donating from the following list of



needed items: Gold Fish Crackers, Animal Crackers, Butter Cookies, Vanilla Wafers, Gerber Graduate Puffs, Gerber Yogurt Melts, Cheez-its, Pretzels, Baby Wipes, Facial Tissues, Band-aids, Paper towels, Construction paper, Loose-leaf notebook paper, Washable Non-toxic Markers, Washable Finger Paints. **COLLECTION BINS IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

ALSO Helpful—Gift Cards for specific classroom needs from **WalMart, Sam’s Club, Target, Office Depot.**

IN REMEMBRANCE

Barbara Alice Avery

November 6, 1949—February 2021

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

Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Gerald Boyles** and family on the death of his sister sister, **Nancy Venable**, on January 18, 2021, in King NC.



First Church’s Congregational Care Committee and Coastal Samaritan Counseling Center Therapists

will host 3 sessions on Suicide Prevention

Mind, Body, Spirit, Community—Multi-complex Causes—Hope & Healing

***** **March 3, 10 & 24** *****

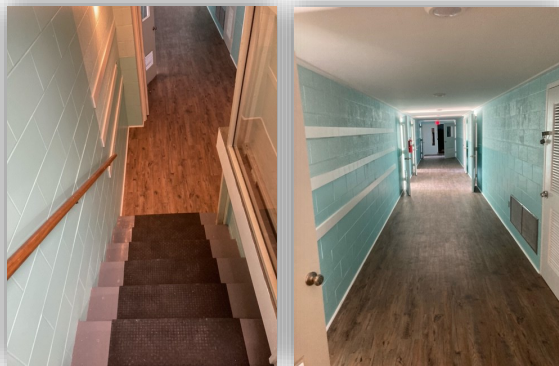
3:00PM in the Sanctuary—All are welcome

Cost: Saving the life of a child, grandchild or a loved one

Each session will be live-streamed on our Facebook page (*fumcmb*)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline—800-273-8255

[Learn more](https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org) (<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org>)



FACILITIES UPDATE! Wesley Building Lower Level

- ◆ New flooring and flat drywall ceilings with new “can” lights
- ◆ Walls freshly painted with new cabinets
- ◆ Doors painted
- ◆ New and larger bathrooms
- ◆ Storage room cleaned up, improved to be repurposed

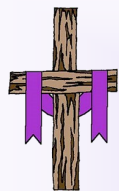


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Youth activities...

Feb 21: 5:15PM FUMC Youth AND First Presbyterian Youth Meet at the North Campus at 5:15PM to take the bus to the First Presbyterian Church campus on 38th Ave. Members of the Horry County Sheriff's Office will be present to talk about child trafficking. The evening is an opportunity to build relationships among local youth groups as well educate everyone on this important topic. We will **return to North Campus by 7PM** for parents to pick up their youth.

Feb 24: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
 Middle & High School (\$7 tax & tip)
 Southern House of Pancakes, MB

Feb 28: 5:15PM Youth @ North Campus



Yard Crosses to display during Lent—one way to spread God's love through our community. To request a cross for your yard, email Melody Gildner at

melodygildner@yahoo.com. The

Youth request **donations** of any amount to **help offset material costs and to benefit youth missions.**



Pocket crosses for Lent are still available. Pick one up as you exit worship on Sunday. Please accept the cross, place in a pocket or purse for the next 40 days and mediate upon it when you see or touch it.

First United Methodist Myrtle Beach and First Presbyterian Church Myrtle Beach will host its **VIRTUAL 2021 SPRING SURGE** on **March 15, 2021**.



The online session will feature the **Children's Recovery Center of Myrtle Beach**.

More details coming soon.

Spring 2021 Adult Bible Studies student books are now available to pick up. The following Sunday School classes may pick up a copy in the church office during regular office hours:



MD Moore; Open Fellowship; Open Doors



AMPLIFY MEDIA is an extension of the United Methodist Publishing House and a **multimedia platform** now available to First Church members which provides high quality, searchable content covering a wide variety of topics with an emphasis on Wesleyan perspectives. Stay engaged and encouraged with a **library of resources** for study and reflection. To access this valuable resource, contact Jennifer Hupko (hupko@fumcmb.org) for login instructions. To read more about Amplify, visit <https://amplifymedia.com>.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!

Sew, quilt, work with glue, or use an iron!

Whether you have artistic talents or you are looking for fun and fellowship, our **newest group project** will be focused on making new banners for worship. We welcome all those who want to help. For more information, please **contact Mary Carol Reed at 843-340-8446**.



Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 2/14/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of 2/14/21:	\$ 49,848
Giving YTD:	\$ 181,457
Expenses YTD:	\$ 236,226
Difference YTD:	- \$ 54,769

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 2/14/2021

◆ Worship:	155
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	779
◆ All Social Media:	3,116
◆ 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

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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, February 21, 2021

NO Nursery—Virtual Sunday School

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

9:45AM **Confirmation Class**
THE 925

9:45AM **Pre-K Sunday School**
VIA ZOOM

10:10AM **K-5th Grade Sunday School**
VIA ZOOM

11:00AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**
SANCTUARY

4:45PM **Children's Hand Bells Gr 2-6**
Children's Music K-1

5:20PM **Children's Hand Chimes K-1**
Children's Music Gr 2-6
WESLEY BUILDING

5:15PM **Youth @ N Campus & FPC**

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
Mask & Social Distancing
please

MONDAY, February 22

5:30PM **Adult Hand Bells** SANCTUARY

TUESDAY, February 23

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

10:00AM **Lenten Study** CHAPEL

2:30PM **Congregational Care Mtg**
PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, February 24

7:00AM **Youth Breakfast/Devo** (\$7)
SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES

7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM

1:00PM **Adult Handbells** SANCTUARY

Coming Soon!

Mar 3, 10, 24—Suicide Prevention Clinics

Mar 14—Daylight Saving Time begins
Scout Sunday, both services

Mar 15—Spring Surge, virtual/online

Mar 16-21—Dr. Ken Callahan visit

Mar 28—Palm Sunday services

Apr 1—Maundy Thursday service

Apr 2—Good Friday service

Apr 4—Easter services

May 14-16—Confirmation Retreat

May 23—Confirmation