



The Steeple ■ February 7, 2021

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

8:30AM Traditional/Blended (Facebook ONLY)

11:00AM



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, Visiting Bishop

Jennifer Hupko, Director

Christian Education Ministry/Programming

Julia Brooks, Director, Children's Ministry

Cindy Johnson, Director

Child Development Ministry

Norman McQueen, Director
Music Ministry

D. Scott Ferguson, Pianist/Organist

Jayne Smith, Director, Hand Bells

Eve Harris, Director, Children's Choirs

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 Thursday meetings are cancelled for 2021 due to Covid-19. Join us for **Golf Outings**. Information and Registration for the Golf Outings may be found at www.fumcmb.org and also available in the church office. We encourage you to invite friends to play at these wonderful courses. 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 9 | Litchfield Golf Course

February 2 | Whispering Pines Tournament Winners—17 Participants

1st Place—Two-team Tie: Score of 71

Bob Carone, Mike DeFelice, Beryl Flickner, Duane Mercer
Roger Davis, Dave and Gail Ayers, Debra Sturkey, Scott Bowen



The **Lautrelle-Merchant UMW Circle** will not meet in February while members are in the midst of obtaining their Covid vaccines.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"My prayers used to be asking God for things. Now my prayers are, 'God, what do you need from me?' "

~ Trent Shelton, athlete/motivational speaker

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Feb 8	Matthew 7:15-23
Feb 9	Genesis 22:1-18
Feb 10	Hebrews 11:17-31
Feb 11	Galatians 5:1-6
Feb 12	1 John 3:13-18
Feb 13	James 2:14-20
Feb 14	James 2:21-26

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

Virtual Classes available

** Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: James 2:14-26
"Faith and Actions"*

M **onthly 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.**

Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Harriss D'Antignac** and family on the death of his sister, **Julie Schweers**, on January 29, 2021 in Birmingham, AL; to **Abbie Whitney** and family on the death of her father, **Randall D. Bunce**, on January 27, 2021 in Fayetteville, NC; to the **Clemmons family** on the death of their cousin, **Kenneth Swain**, on January 24, 2021; and to **Allyson Hirsh** and family on the death of her father, **John Phillip McCoy Sr.**, on November 30, 2020 in Greenville, NC.

Congratulations to **Jean Clemmons** on the birth of her great-granddaughter, **Collins Jean Renfrow**, on February 3, 2021 in Las Vegas, NV. The proud parents are Camilla and Hunter Renfrow and grandparents are Suzanne and Tim Renfrow.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!

Do you like to sew, quilt, work with glue, or even 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.**



A New Look for the Spring Surge!

Members from **First Presbyterian and First United Methodist** will hold its **2021 Spring Surge on March 15, 2021 in a virtual format.** Spring Surge is a time when our faith communities invite others to meet for a time of fellowship, inspiration and an opportunity to learn about a local mission. This year, the presentation will **feature the Children's Recovery Center of Myrtle Beach.** No one likes to think that abuse of children and youth exist, but unfortunately it exists in our community. The Center is seeing a rise in sexual abuse cases during the pandemic. The mission of the Children's Recovery Center is to provide therapy and hope to the children and teens who are victims of abuse. The **presentation will include a virtual tour of the Children's Recovery Center, an inspirational message, and an opportunity to use our resources to help.** On March 15th, this virtual presentation will be **posted on the church website** for you to access. In these challenging times, we all can make a difference in our community. **More information next month.**



National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
Help is available—Speak with someone today
800-273-8255

Available 24 hours. Languages: English, Spanish.
[Learn more](https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org) (<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org>)

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Youth activities...

Feb 7: SUPER BOWL SUNDAY Youth Offering to benefit Help4Kids

Feb 7: 1:00PM Youth—Foot Golf at Tupelo Bay

Meet at North Campus at **12:45PM** to load buses. **Cost for golf:** 14 & under \$7.50; adults \$16. Return late afternoon.

Feb 10: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
Middle & High School (\$7 tax & tip)
Southern House of Pancakes, MB

Feb 14: NO YOUTH (Valentine's Day)

Feb 21: 5:15-7PM FUMC Youth AND First Presbyterian Youth

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

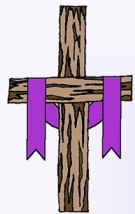


Children's Choirs, Hand Bells and Hand Chimes **will not rehearse** the next two Sundays, **February 7th and 14th.**



Summer Camp Scholarship Reminder:

Scholarships are available for those who need assistance. Please apply for a scholarship **first** through Asbury Hills (www.asburyhills.org) then apply with FUMC. The church policy set forth two years ago specifies that the church provide one-third of the session cost in order to remain good stewards of the funds set aside for this purpose.



The Youth will make **Lenten Crosses**, with the dedicated help of Mark Mitchell, to be displayed in members' yards to help spread God's love in our city and communities during Lent. Crosses will be available to pick up after

worship on the front lawn on **Sunday, February 14th** or by **delivery on Saturday, Feb. 20th**. The Youth will collect **donations** of any amount **to offset material costs and to benefit youth missions**. To **pre-order a cross**, please email Melody Gildner at melodygildner@yahoo.com.

Volunteers are needed for **Audio/Visual** assistance in **Worship**. If you are now attending worship in-person and feel led to serve, please **contact Melinda Morgan** in the church office at **843-448-7164** or melinda@fumcmb.org.

Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 1/31/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of 1/17/21:	\$ 15,872
Giving YTD:	\$ 110,574
Expenses YTD:	\$ 160,143
Difference YTD:	- \$ 49,569

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 1/31/2021

◆ Worship:	142
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	500
◆ All Social Media:	3,441
◆ Sunday School:	Meeting online



Ladies Lunch & Devotion
Wednesday, February 10th
11:30AM
Magnolia's upstairs
Fellowship, Lunch,
and Devotion

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 7, 2021

NO Nursery—Virtual Sunday School

8:30AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**

11:00AM FACEBOOK LIVE 8:30

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

VIA ZOOM

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

VIA ZOOM

12:45PM **Youth—Foot Golf Outing**
MEET @ N CAMPUS

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
TO OUTSIDE VISITORS
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

WEDNESDAY, February 10

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

11:30AM **Women's Lunch/Devo**
MAGNOLIA'S @ 26TH—UPSTAIRS

Coming Soon!

Feb 16—Shrove Tuesday (no meal)

10AM Lenten Study, Chapel

Feb 17—Ash Wednesday (no service)

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

Apr 1—Maundy Thursday

Apr 2—Good Friday (service TBD)

Apr 4—Easter

May 14-16—Confirmation Retreat

May 23—Confirmation

**MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS
FOR JANUARY 2021 BULLETIN**

IN MEMORY OF:

Lynn Durant

Brittain Fellowship Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Kathy & Bill Rodwell (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Bubba & Bleeker Cannon (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
George & Sarah Todd (Memorial Fund)
Judy & Julian Springs (Memorial Fund)
Stan & Rosalind Burroughs (Memorial Fund)
Carmen Springs (TV Ministry)
John & Katrina Jones (TV Ministry)
Lenton & Tina Yates (TV Ministry)
Joanne Herring (TV Ministry)

Willie Durant

Judy & Julian Springs (Memorial Fund)

Robert Hurley

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Jim Iseman

Jim & Dianne Iseman (Hope House)

Frances Jones

Rhonda & Gene Singleton (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Karl Marzolf

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Bob Poston

Kathy & Bill Rodwell (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Susan Arnold (Memorial Funds)

Bobbie Lou Snipes

Bubba & Bleeker Cannon (TV Ministry)

Valerie Yates

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Naomi & Harriss D'Antignac (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

IN HONOR OF:

Lib Iseman

Jim & Dianne Iseman (Hope House)

Cindy Johnson

Frank & Harriet Clark and Caroline Zito
(Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Mary Marshall Wasserman

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

FUMC Staff

John & Pamela Turner (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)