



The Steeple ■ January 31, 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

Jennifer Hupko, Director

Christian Education Ministry/Programming

Julia Brooks, Director, Children's Ministry

Cindy Johnson, Director

Child Development Ministry

Philip Keilen, Director, Coastal Samaritan

Counseling Center

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

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. **Golf Outings have begun.** 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 2 | Whispering Pines Golf Course

January 26 | Wild Wing Plantation Tournament Winners—25 Participants

1st Place: Score of 66

Steve Dye, Duane Mercer, Beryl Flickner

2nd Place: Score of 67

Mike Belay, Don Shillingburg, Scott Bowen



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



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Not all storms come to disrupt your life; some come to clear your path."

~ Tracy Sullivan, author/founder of Discipleship Collaborative LLC

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Feb 1	Psalm 82:1-8
Feb 2	Deuteronomy 16:18-20
Feb 3	Luke 6:20-26
Feb 4	Jude 11-19
Feb 5	1 Timothy 5:17-25
Feb 6	James 2:1-7
Feb 7	James 2:8-13

ALL IN-PERSON
SUNDAY SCHOOL
CLASSES ARE CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
Virtual Classes available

* Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: James 2:1-13
"Dealing With One Another"

Monthly Mission in Motion—JANUARY

M **New Directions Shelter for Men**
(formerly Street Reach)



Provides temporary shelter for homeless men.

NEEDS: Bleach, Pine-Sol, toilet paper, paper towels, cups, plates, 40 gal. (or larger) garbage bags, spiral notebooks, sugar, coffee, creamer, oatmeal, Texas Pete Hot Sauce. **Collection bins located in the Church Office or Narthex.**

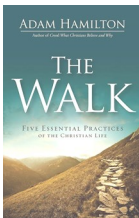
Condolences

The pastor, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to Jayne Cannon and Bubba Cannon on the death of their sister, **Bobbie Lou Snipes**, who entered the Church Triumphant on January 26, 2021 in Florence, SC.



On **February 1st**, First Church will **welcome Bishop Gary Rivas** as our visiting Bishop as he awaits the UMC SC conference appointment in June of this year. Gary Rivas (*R-eye-vas*) felt his calling into the ministry as a youth and was involved in youth and young adult ministries in his church. Gary met his wife, Jacqui, in 1987, and they were married in 1992. Jacqui was ordained into the ministry in 2003.

Bishop Gary will have a office on the second floor of the church offices. We look forward to hearing his message in worship next Sunday. Welcome to Myrtle Beach!



Lenten Study — Adam Hamilton's "The Walk"

Tuesdays beginning February 16th at 10AM in the Chapel.

Covid guidelines will be in effect: masks & social distancing.

Please register with **Jennifer Hupko by Sunday, January 31st.**

Books are \$10 each. hupko@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164



FUMC's TV Ministry needs your ongoing financial support.

Weekly Sermons and limited service music are broadcast on WFXB Fox TV Channel 7 (channel 43-1, antenna) at 10AM on Sunday mornings on a 1-week delay. Please help support this vital ministry which greatly benefits our shut-in members, local visitors, and others throughout the year.

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. Look for **more information about the 2021 Virtual Spring Surge next month.**



UM YF Youth activities...

Jan 31: 5:15PM Youth @ North Campus

Feb 3: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
Middle & High School (\$7 tax & tip)
Southern House of Pancakes, MB

Feb 7: 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. Bring extra money for a meal afterwards.

FUMC Ornaments, Mask Fundraisers and coffee mugs continue to be available to benefit Youth Missions. Contact Chad, Melody, Grant or any of our Youth.



Coffee Mugs—\$5 each
Ornaments—\$5 each
FUMC Masks—\$10 each
or 2/\$15



Asbury Hills 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.

Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered on January 24, 2021 to **Elsie Bishop Kahn**, daughter of Caroline and Kyler Kahn, and granddaughter of Shai and Steve Kahn, in a private family ceremony in the Sanctuary by Rev. Dr. George K. Howle.



2021 Stephen Ministry Training

"Bridge Leaders Training Course" available via Zoom. Live, interactive online training experience; fully equipping lay people, to serve as Stephen Leaders. For information about classes, please contact Gerri Watson, 843-424-9965.



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, go online to <https://amplifymedia.com>.

The Pastor's Discretionary

Fund is available to assist those in need within our community and our church family. Due to the year of Covid-19, recent distributions from this Fund have affected our ability to provide further assistance. Please be in prayer and search your heart to consider donating to this essential local mission and ministry in order that FUMC might continue serving those in need.



Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 1/24/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of 1/17/21:	\$ 14,193
Giving YTD:	\$ 94,592
Expenses YTD:	\$ 117,731
Difference YTD:	- \$ 23,139

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 1/24/2021

♦ Worship:	161
♦ Worship Facebook/Web:	859
♦ All Social Media:	3,057
♦ 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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, January 31, 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 @ North Campus**

IN PERSON

MASK & DISTANCING, please

MONDAY, February 1

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

TUESDAY, February 2

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

10:00AM **UMW Executive Board Mtg**
PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, February 3

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

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

1:00PM **Adult Handbells** SANCTUARY