



The Steeple ■ July 18, 2021

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30AM* Traditional, Sanctuary
11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center
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NO MONDAY WORSHIP due to VBS

*Facebook Live-stream



Ministers and Ministry Directors

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle, Senior Pastor

Rev. Meredith M. Dark, Nurture Pastor

Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Jennifer Hupko, Minister,
Christian Education/Programming

Julia Brooks, Director, Children's Ministry

Cindy Johnson, Director

Child Development Ministry

Philip Keilen, Director, Coastal Samaritan

Norman McQueen, Director
Music Ministry

D. Scott Ferguson, Pianist/Organist

Grant Nesmith, Contemporary Music

Jayne Smith, Director, Hand Bells

Eve Harris, Director, Children's Choirs

Chad Mullinix, Director, Youth Ministry

Melody Gildner, Grant Nesmith

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 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



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK! *Technical support*

Are you comfortable with technology (**adults AND youth**)? First Church can use your talents! Sunday morning opportunities are open for operating the sound board in Traditional and/or Contemporary worship and for running the slide program in Contemporary worship (or Traditional worship on occasion). General training is offered. ALSO, backup support for video and live-stream is essential to ensure we continue electronic access for which detailed training is available. Please prayerfully consider these areas of service to support the life of the church.



COLLEGE STUDENTS, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS...

If you are interested in receiving or having your student receive "Love Packages" at special times throughout the school year please go to www.fumcmb.org then click on the link:

Grow/Adult/College-Young Adult and complete the **application**,

or email office@fumcmb.org. Please also provide students email addresses should they want to receive **The Steeple**.

The "Love Package" is a **MISSION project**—students **DO NOT have to be a member of First Church**. For those able to **help with this project by providing goodies** for the packages, please watch for collection boxes (date TBD) to drop donations. **Monetary donations** are also appreciated. First Church has proven to be a generous congregation—thank you for helping to make this mission successful. We covet your continued support!

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

Contemporary Worship
Main Campus @ 11:00AM
Wesley Worship Center



Monday Night Worship
North Campus at 6PM
904 65th Ave N

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"To give anything less than your BEST is to sacrifice the gift."

~ Steve Prefontaine, American long-distance runner

*First Church Weekly Readings:**

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

July 19	Acts 5:27-32, 40-42
July 20	Luke 7:36-50
July 21	Romans 2:1-8
July 22	2 Thessalonians 3:10-15
July 23	2 Corinthians 1:16-22
July 24	Matthew 13:53-58
July 25	Mark 2:1-12

**Uniform Series*

International Lesson Series: Matthew 9:1-8;

Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-25

"Love Your Neighbor. Really."

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes

0-2 year-olds	Nursery
3 and 4 year-old preschool	Wesley 102
Kindergarten/First Grade	Wesley 205
2nd and 3rd Grades	Wesley 203
4th and 5th Grades	Wesley 204

Youth Classes

6th - 12th Grades	Sonshine House
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Adult Classes

Ark	The 925
Brittain Fellowship	Asbury 101
Faith Foundations	Asbury 203
M.D. Moore*	Wesley 105
New Horizons	Asbury 201
New Ventures	Wesley 103
Open Doors*	Wesley 104
Open Fellowship*	Music Center 101

WORSHIP GUIDELINES: Join us for worship as your health permits. Mask and Distancing for those fully vaccinated are optional in all church buildings. Please be respectful of others.

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Monthly Mission in Motion—JULY

HELP4KIDS / BACKPACK BUDDIES

Children in need returning to school, ages Kindergarten through 12th grade, require new supplies.



NEEDS: Pens, Pencils, Canvas notebooks, Notebook paper, Spiral notebooks (1 & 3 subject), Crayons, Highlighters, Colored pencils, Erasers, Blunt-nose scissors, Small Calculators, Pencil bags, Glue, Washable non-toxic markers, Bookbags/Backpacks.

Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Dan and Wendy Fleming** and family on the recent death of his mother, **Dolores E. Fleming**, on July 12, 2021, in Angelica, NY.



OPEN REGISTRATION 2021-22
Kindergarten Enrollment through July 30th
Register Online: www.fumamb.org
or contact: Melody Gildner, 585-770-4183, or mgildner@fumamb.org.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS
Sunday, August 15th at 11:00AM
Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Center

All Students, Teachers, School Staff, Parents, and Former Teachers are invited to Bless the Backpacks! The formal recognition will be held in our Contemporary worship; however, those attending other services will also be recognized.



First Church is now on Instagram! If you frequent the Instagram app, please find **firstchurchmb** and follow us!



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Being in the places where Jesus walked, taught, suffered, and rose again is an opportunity of a lifetime! A tour of the Holy Land is one of the greatest spiritual journeys one can have. Brochures are available in the church office or in the narthex. **Please call or email Rev. Meredith for more information—843-448-7164 or mmdark@umcsc.org.**

VETERANS! First Church wants to maintain a current list of our Veterans so that we may recognize your service on various occasions during the year. If you have not recently provided your **name and branch of service** to the church, please **email your information to**



Jennifer Julian, jennifer@fumcmb.org
or call the church office, 843-448-7164.



REALM is coming! Realm is an online, church-based program that creates real ministry opportunities by making it easier for our church family to connect with each other throughout the week. Read more about it in future issues of **The Steeple**.



Youth Summer schedule...

- July 18: 1:30-5:30PM** Youth Outing
Myrtle Waves, cost \$23.99+tax
- July 21: 11:30AM** Youth Prayer Lunch
Middle & High School @ TBD
- July 21: 6:00PM F3 @ VBS** North Campus
- July 25: 5:15PM** Youth @ North Campus



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 19-22, 2021 BACK TO BASICS!

Thank you!

My sincere thanks for the calls and letters received and to those who have spoken to me about my brother's death. You have been very kind.

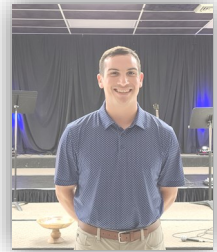
~ Big Tom



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>.

Holy Baptism and New Member

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to **Greg Drennan** and received into membership on July 12, 2021, in Monday Worship by Rev. Jennifer Hupko.



VENMO is an electronic giving option available for use with a cell phone. Open the camera icon on your cell phone and hold it over the QR code (to the right). Tap on the link at the top of the screen to open the VENMO app then follow instructions to give electronically. Another option is to download the VENMO app on a cellular device and search **@firstchurchmb** to proceed with giving options.



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Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 7/11/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 20,095
Giving YTD:	\$ 763,399
Expenses YTD:	\$ 908,801
Difference YTD:	- \$ 145,402

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 7/11/2021

◆ Worship:	313
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	717
◆ All Social Media:	2,917
◆ Sunday School:	113



STILL NEED SELFIES!

Please take a **selfie photo of yourself and/or your family** and email the picture(s) and all names to melinda@fumcmb.org so we may update our membership database to add pictures. If you prefer, see Melinda in the Sanctuary after worship—most Sundays—to take your picture.

First Church Thrift Store—Mondays: 9AM-1PM and Thursdays: 1-4PM—Shopping only; no donations.

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

Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)

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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, July 18, 2021

Nursery unavailable

- 8:30AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE
- 9:45AM **Sunday School—All Ages**
- 11:00AM **Contemporary Worship**
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR | FACEBOOK
- 11:00AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY
- 1:30PM **Youth Outing** MYRTLE WAVES

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN Mon-Thur
8:00AM—5:00PM

MONDAY, July 19

- 9A-12PM **Thrift Store Open**
No Monday Worship VBS
- 5:15-7PM **VBS @ North Campus**

TUESDAY, July 20

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLOOR
- 5:15-7PM **VBS @ North Campus**

WEDNESDAY, July 21

- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 11:30AM **Youth Lunch/Devo**
CHAPEL
- 5:15-7PM **VBS @ North Campus**

THURSDAY, July 22

- 1-4PM **Thrift Store Open**
- 5:15-7PM **VBS @ North Campus**
- 5:30PM **Lions Club Meeting** THE 925

FRIDAY, July 23

- 8:30AM **Band Rehearsal**
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER

Coming Soon!

Aug 15—Blessing of the Backpacks

Aug 15—Youth Kickoff

**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.

Please tell us about yourselves.

(Please tear off and place in the offering plate.)

Date _____
Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Rev.
Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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?

- Friend TV Online
- Other _____

