FIRST CHURCH The Church with a Heart

in the Heart of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ March 28, 2021

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY

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

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Jayne Smith, Director, Hand Bells
Eve Harris, Director, Children's Choirs
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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 is adjusted to 200 per service due to distancing change of 3 feet.

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

***Please register your attendance (<u>name</u>, <u>address</u>, <u>phone#</u>) and for contact tracing.
Ushers will provide pen/paper to complete; return to the specific containers upon exit.**

- Sanitization weekly and between services
- Face mask required and social distance (3 feet) during worship
- Access via the Front Door, center aisle (if rain, use breezeway side door)
- Ushers will assist seating & dismissing guests
- 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

I am aware that many of you are eager to be together again in Sunday School on Sunday mornings. I am doing all that I can to make that happen as quickly as possible. After conversations with with Pastor George and our District Superintendent, Rev. Tim Rogers, this is where we are:



Given the state of the Wesley building at this time, and the fact that classes meet in that facility, **TENTATIVELY** our goal is to have usable space for Sunday School by **April 11th**. Time is needed to finish the Wesley Building space, then we will be able to have **ALL** classes meeting at the same time, if they so choose. This past year has been tough and a challenge for many of us as we rely on the support and fellowship of our Sunday School classmates. Continue to be patient at this time and, to the best of my ability, I will make sure we stay on schedule for this date. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at hupko@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164.



Apr 4

Sisters in Service UMW Circle annual HIBISCUS FUNDRAISER supports Local Missions. Please contact any circle member, Harriet Clark at 843-360-0017, or Linda Shields at 843-602-9413, to purchase a beautiful 3 gallon Hibiscus for a \$15 donation each. Plants will be available to pick up at Evergreen Nursery, 1697 Mr. Joe White Ave. during the month of April. Thank you for your support!

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"When I stand in a blessing, my first question is, 'How can I be used?' "
~ Nancy Nash, comedian

First Church Weekly Readings: *

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

1 Corinthians 15:35-44

Mar 29	Luke 24:1-12
Mar 30	Luke 24:13-24
Mar 31	Luke 24:25-35
Apr 1	Luke 24:36-43
Apr 2	Mark 16:9-15
Apr 3	1 Corinthians 15:12-22

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

Virtual Classes available

* Indicates: Uniform Series International Lesson Series: "Encounter on the Road to Emmaus (Easter)"

onthly Mission in Motion—MARCH

Helping Hand needs our assistance! All non-perishable food items are welcome.



Canned Soups
Ramen Noodles
Pork & Beans
1-LB Bags of Rice
Packets of Oatmeal
Packets of Grits

Canned Vegetables
Boxed Mac & Cheese
Canned Fruit
Canned Meats: Tuna/Chili/
Spam/Vienna Sausage/
Beef Stew

Canned Pasta: Beefaroni/Spaghetti Peanut Butter (small jars) Jelly (small jars) Toothbrushes/Toothpaste Razors Small Deodorant

COLLECTION BINS IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

IN REMEMBRANCE

Peggy Dow Elliott July 13, 1932—March 23, 2021

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



WE NEED YOUR PICTURE! Please take a selfie of yourself and/or your family and email the picture(s) and all names to melinda@fumcmb.org. This tool will assist the ministers to put names with faces! Since our 2018 pictorial directory, we have new staff and new members. We would appreciate pictures

from everyone to include in our member database (no new Directory at this time). Thanks for your help!

UMYFYouth activities...

Mar 28: 5:15PM Youth @ North Campus
Mar 31: 7AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
Middle & High School (\$7 tax & tip)
Southern House of Pancakes, MB

April 4: NO Youth—Happy Easter!

Apr 9-12: Chrysalis (girls)

Apr 16-19: Chrysalis (boys) Please contact the Chad, Grant or Melody for more information.



https://www.ccchrysalis.com/

Can We Chat? Prayer and Bishop Gary Rivas

Prayer and evangelism go side by side. There is something beautiful about hearing about someone who has come

to know Jesus after someone they know prayed tirelessly for their salvation. Not everyone can share Jesus with a stranger in line at the supermarket, but everyone can pray for someone they know who doesn't know Jesus to have a life-changing encounter with the King.



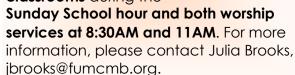
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

All graduating seniors are invited to apply for a college scholarship through FUMCMB.

For an application, please contact Jennifer Hupko, hupko@fumcmb.org. All **application packages are due no later than April 29**, **2021** to Jennifer Hupko in the church office.

In anticipation of children's Sunday School resuming in the near future (TBD),

volunteers are needed for the nursery and 1&2 yr-old classrooms during the





SENIOR RECOGNITION!

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE
If your child is a High School
or College Senior, please let

Chad, Melody or Grant know. Youth and Sr Recognition Sunday

will be **June 13th** and we want to recognize this great achievement in the life of your child. Let us know as soon as possible: melodyrgildner@yahoo.com; chadmullinix@icloud.com; or gnesmith90@gmail.com.

We welcome **James "Jim" Moe** who joined First Church by Profession of Faith at the 11:00AM service on March 21, 2021.



Coming Soon!

Apr 15—Talk Saves Lives, 7PM, Sanctuary

May 14-16—Confirmation Retreat

May 23—Confirmation

Jun 13—Youth/Sr Recognition Sunday

Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 3/21/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of 3/21/21: \$ 13,327 Giving YTD: \$ 311,573 Expenses YTD: \$ 357,055 Difference YTD: - \$ 36,482

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 3/21/2021

♦ Worship: 220♦ Worship Facebook/Web: 429

All Social Media: 3,664
Sunday School: Meeting online

First Church Thrift Store—CLOSED during COVID-19

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Happening This Week

SUNDAY, March 28, 2021

PALM SUNDAY

NO Nursery—Virtual Sunday School

8:30AM Traditional Worship

SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE 8:30

9:45AM Confirmation Class

The 925

9:45AM Pre-K Sunday School ZOOM

10:10AM K-5th Grade Sunday School

VIA ZOOM

11:00AM Traditional Worship

SANCTUARY

5:15PM Youth @ North Campus

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN M-Th Mask & Social Distancing please

TUESDAY, March 30

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

WEDNESDAY, March 31

7:00AM Youth Breakfast/Devo (\$7)

SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES

7:30AM Women's Prayer Group

PRAYER ROOM

THURSDAY, April 1

10:00AM Caregivers Group

VIA ZOOM

6:00PM Maundy Thursday service

Tenebrae & Holy Communion

SANCTUARY

FRIDAY, April 2

10:00PM UMC Exec Board Mtg

PARLOR

NOON Good Friday service

7 Last Words of Christ

SANCTUARY

SATURDAY, April 3

9-11AM Orchestra/Handbells

Rehearsals

SANCTUARY

