



The Steeple ■ March 7, 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

Christian Education/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**



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

United Methodist Men (UMM) Dinner

Wednesday, March 10th at 6:30PM

Magnolia's @ 26th, Upstairs (Dutch Treat)

Fix a plate and head upstairs to find a seat.
Rev. George will speak to us about his vision for the **UMM at FUMC. All FUMC men** are invited to attend, regardless of age.

UMM / FUMC Youth CDM Work Day

Sunday, March 14th at 1:45PM

Meet at North Campus to work on various **clean-up projects**. Bring rakes, shovels, saws, blowers or any yard tools you may have (not required). All are invited to participate.

THE UPPER ROOM DEVOTION books for March/April are available to pick up from the church office during office hours or on in the Narthex on Sundays.



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"If you go through life without connecting to people, how much could you call that life."
~ Tom Hiddleston, actor

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Mar 8	Isaiah 28:14-20
Mar 9	Colossians 1:3-8
Mar 10	Ephesians 4:11-16
Mar 11	Hebrews 5:12-6:1
Mar 12	2 Peter 3:14-18
Mar 13	1 Peter 2:1-10
Mar 14	1 Peter 2:11-17

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

Virtual Classes available

** Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: 1 Peter 2:1-17
"Nourishing Holiness
(The Fourth Sunday in Lent)"*



Monthly 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

Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Susan Iseman** and family on the death of father, **Charles R. Gardiner**, on February 24, 2021, in Myrtle Beach, SC.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTS

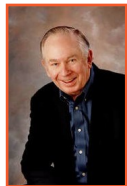
THE *Spring Surge*

MARCH 15, 2021
SPONSORING: THE CHILDREN'S RECOVERY CENTER
MYRTLEBEACHPRESBYTERIANCHURCH.ORG

The **7th Annual Spring Surge** is returning as a virtual video highlighting the mission of **The Children's Recovery Center** in Myrtle Beach. The drawing of the butterflies was created by a child treated at the Center and it speaks loudly to the "new life" and hope that this Center brings to children in Myrtle Beach. Please join us **on March 15th, take a virtual tour of the Children's Recovery Center, worship, and enjoy the music!!** You may access the video via the FUMC website on that date and be given the opportunity to donate as you are able.

This mission needs your prayers. Please spread the word to encourage your friends to participate in this virtual experience.

On **March 17-21**, we welcome **Dr. Kennon L. Callahan** as our guest Pastor, Consultant, and Coach. Dr. Callahan will guide us in **First Church Long-Term Planning**. His four topics will include: 1) North Campus/Facilities; 2) Education & Programming; 3) Youth & Children; and 4) Worship. Please make every effort to participate as we envision the future of First Church. Dr. Callahan will bring the message in worship **on Sunday, March 21st**. Refer to today's **The Steeple** insert for more information.



*Dr. Callahan, B.A., M. Div., S.T.M., Ph. D., is a pastor, professor, researcher, and bestselling author of many books including his groundbreaking study of **Twelve Keys to an Effective Church**, regarded as the most dynamic and comprehensive long-range planning resource available. He is and one of today's most sought-after church consultants and speakers.*



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

Suicide Prevention Talks
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

(<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org>)

UM YF

Youth activities...

- Mar 7:** 5:15PM Youth @ North Campus
Mar 10: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
Middle & High School (\$7 tax & tip)
Southern House of Pancakes, MB
Mar 14: 1:45PM Painting @ N Campus
5:15PM Youth @ North Campus

Heads Up!

(details to follow)

Mar 21: Fun Day, Broadway Grand Prix

Apr 9-12: Chrysalis (girls)

Apr 16-19: Chrysalis (boys)

<https://www.ccchrysalis.com/>



Can We Chat?
Bishop Gary Rivas

Evangelism is love in action. When Jesus gave us the instruction to 'Go into all the world and make disciples' (Matthew 28), and to 'love our neighbor', (Matthew 22), he was speaking about putting our faith into practice. Going into all the world and loving our neighbors is the truest form of evangelism.

New Members

On February 28, 2021, we welcome **Laurens and Juanita Lynn** by Transfer of Membership from First Presbyterian Church, Myrtle Beach. We also welcome **Barbara Worden** by Transfer of Membership from Vernon Methodist, Vernon, NJ.

Thank you! Our entire family so appreciates the cards, calls, texts, food, and especially the prayers during Bubba's time with COVID-19. He is recuperating at home and improving daily. We also covet your prayers for Mary having tested positive for the virus. Please stay safe and healthy. ~ Our love, Bleeker Cannon

STEEPLE CORRECTION: Congratulations to Judy and Roger Hall on the birth of their **great-grandson, Emerson James Stewart**, on February 22, 2021 in Savannah, GA. The proud parents are Kimberley and Jonathan Stewart.



Saturday, March 27 @ 10:00AM Easter Egg Hunt at CDM

Please join us for Easter Egg Hunt fun!

Due to Covid, we will only do the egg hunt, adults will need to wear masks. All ages are welcome. Separate designated areas will be set up for toddlers, preschool, and after-school children. **Donations of individually wrapped candy** to help fill 2,000 Easter eggs are greatly appreciated. Please deliver your candy donations to the church office or the CDM as early as possible.



Coming Soon!

Mar 10, 24—Suicide Prevention Talks

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

Mar 15—Spring Surge, virtual/online

Mar 16-21—Dr. Ken Callahan visit

Mar 27—Easter Egg Hunt @ CDM

Mar 28—Palm Sunday services

Apr 1—Maundy Thursday, 6PM

Apr 2—Good Friday, Noon

Apr 4—Easter services

Sunrise—8:30AM—9:45AM—11AM

May 14-16—Confirmation Retreat

May 23—Confirmation

Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 2/28/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of 2/28/21:	\$ 19,938
Giving YTD:	\$ 218,036
Expenses YTD:	\$281,053
Difference YTD:	- \$ 63,017

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 2/28/2021

◆ Worship:	229
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	604
◆ All Social Media:	2,814
◆ 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

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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, March 7, 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**

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

Mask & Social Distancing please

MONDAY, March 8

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

5:30PM **Missions Meeting** CHAPEL

TUESDAY, March 9

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

10:00AM **Lenten Study** CHAPEL

11:00AM **Tennessee Collier Circle**
PARLOR

3:00PM **Lautrelle Merchant Circle**
PARLOR

4:00PM **Sisters in Service Circle**
MEMBER HOME

5:30PM **Long-range Planning Mtg**
CHAPEL

6:00PM **Youth Council Meeting**
THE 925

WEDNESDAY, March 10

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

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

11:30AM **Ladies Lunch/Devo**
MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th, UPSTAIRS

1:00PM **Adult Handbells** SANCTUARY

3:00PM **Suicide Prevention Talks**
SANCTUARY

5:15PM **Worship Meeting** CHAPEL

6:30PM **Methodist Men**
MAGNOLIA'S @ 26th, UPSTAIRS

FRIDAY, March 12

10:30AM **Anne Herbert Circle**
PARLOR



**MEMORIALS
FOR FEBRUARY 2021 BULLETIN**

IN MEMORY OF:

Lois Andrews

Ed & Annette Willett (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Open Fellowship Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

John Earl Baker

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Edward Wayne Bame

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Michael David Banks

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Harold Clemmons

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Teresa Crocker (TV Ministry)

Rosalyn Clontz

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Gordon Colby

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Hilda Crocker

Teresa Crocker (Flower Fund)

Lynn Durant

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Mr. & Mrs. James Rozier (Memorial Fund)
Jean & Mike Hussey (Archives Fund)

Willie Durant

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Robert Eagerton, Sr.

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

George Charles Fuchs

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Karen Guillaume

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Charles Haga

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Gene Herron

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Martha Hewell

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Robert Howser

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Julian Hunsucker

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Robert Hurley

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Frances Jones

Teresa Crocker (TV Ministry)

Manfred Kahn

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Buddy Lowe

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Ed & Annett Willett (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Open Fellowship Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Martha Stanton (TV Ministry)

Karl Marzolf

Jean & Mike Hussey (Archives Fund)

Robert Poston

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Teresa Crocker (TV Ministry)

Doris Pierce

Ed & Annette Willett (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Open Fellowship Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Walt Standish

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Mike Wheeler

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Teresa Crocker (TV Ministry)

Miriam Rozier

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Lola Shertzer

Teresa Crocker (TV Ministry)

Bobbie Lou Snipes

Jean & Mike Hussey (Archives Fund)
Doris Simon (TV Ministry)

Albert Springs

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Needham Williamson

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

**First Church MB
Long Term Planning
Ken Callahan
March 17-20, 2021**

First Church MB—Long Term Planning*
Ken Callahan
March 17-20, 2021

Planning Keys:

- Key 1 - One Mission Outreach
- Key 3 - Stirring, Helpful Worship
- Key 4 - Significant Relational Groupings
- Key 5 - Strong Leadership Team
- Key 6 - Solid Decision Process
- Key 7 - One Major Program
- Key 8 - Open Accessibility
- Key 9 - High Visibility
- Key 10 - Land Landscaping, and Parking
- Key 11 - Adequate Space and Facilities

Wednesday March 17

Session 6-8PM - Keys 8, 9, and 10

- North Campus & Main Campus visibility
- How can we make the contemporary service more visible?

Thursday March 18

Session 10AM-12PM Keys 8, 9, and 10

- How can we make our main campus more beautiful? (overrun shrubs)
- How can we best utilize 11 acres of land at the North Campus? We estimate 300 parking spaces with a \$1.6 million budget - which means that our parking spaces are roughly worth \$5,333/each - approximately 40 spaces belong to us on our property - the rest is all city parking

Session 2-4PM - Key 1

- How do our mission events become widely known in Myrtle Beach via word of mouth?
- What are we doing of major value for the people in our community?

Session 6-8PM - Key 3

- How do we use worship to reach our community? How many community services can we have? Easter, 4th of July, All Saints, Thanksgiving, Christmas (10 Community services)
- How can we enhance our music program at the Main Campus and North Campus? If we are starting a worship service at the North Campus how should we consider our music up there? What type of music and worship?

Friday March 19

Session 9-11AM - Key 4

- How do we connect the community beyond Sunday School? We don't necessarily need to enhance our Sunday School - how do we reach people?
- Small groups as an evangelism tool.
- Beyond Sunday School, what sort of relationship groups would be helpful in our congregation?

Session 1-3PM Key 7

- How do we go about starting small groups from scratch?

Session 4-6PM Keys 5 & 6

- How do we raise up strong competent leaders?
- How do we make a helpful decision process? How do you make decisions? How do you make decisions and keep consensus?
- How do you blend new voices with old voices?

Saturday March 20

Session 9-11AM

- How do we recover from Covid?
- How do we recover from past senior leadership (minister and youth leaders)?
- How can we make the youth more visible and integrate them as a part of the church?

Session 1-4PM Key 11

- How can we best use the space and facilities at the Main Campus and North Campus?
- What sources of giving will be helpful to us?

*All sessions are open to anyone who is interested in attending.