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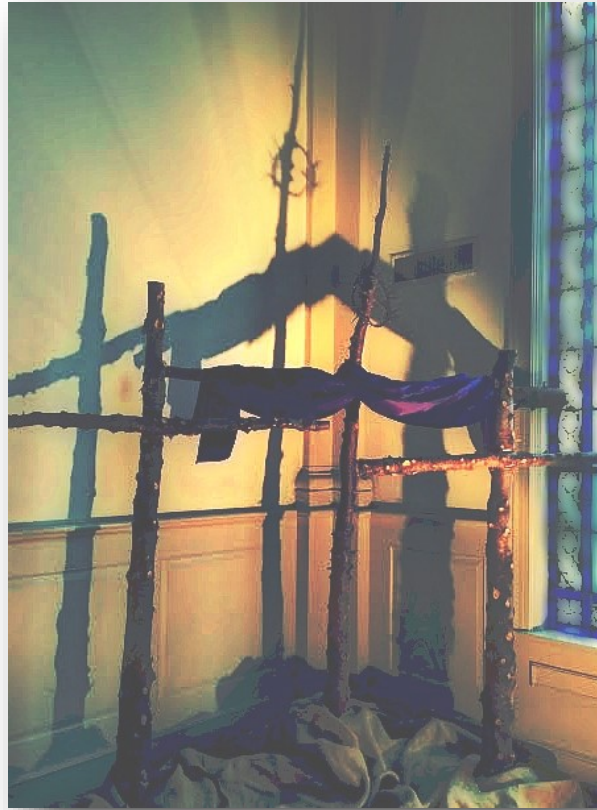
A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ March 22, 2020

VIRTUAL WORSHIP ONLY

Live-stream on Facebook

8:30AM & 11:00AM | Traditional



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 and Programming

Julia Brooks, Director - Children's Ministry

Chad Mullinix, Director - Youth Ministry

Grant Nesmith, Melody Gildner, Co-Directors - Youth Ministry

Cindy Johnson, Director - Child Development Ministry

Norman McQueen, Director - Music Ministry

D. Scott Ferguson, Pianist/Organist

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

Seagulls & Snowbirds! UNTIL NEXT YEAR!

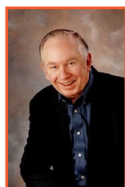
Seagulls & Snowbirds ministry is a **weekly program** that runs **January through March**. We look forward to seeing you next year!



REMAINING Meals & Programs CANCELLED

Statement from Bishop Holston: "In light of the latest guidance – and after consulting with The Cabinet today – I recommend that leaders of each local church suspend in-person worship services and all gatherings, meetings and events, effective today through March 31, 2020. Please know that I do not make this recommendation lightly."

IMPORTANT DATE—Saturday, May 2nd. MANDATORY Safe Sanctuary and Active Shooter Training will be held in the Wesley Worship Center **10AM to 2PM**. Lunch will be provided. **Training is REQUIRED for all volunteers who work with our children or youth AT ANY TIME** throughout the year (VBS, cooks, chaperones, youth counselors, children and youth Sunday School teachers and those on Children and Youth Councils). **Ushers MUST also plan to attend** this training. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Hupko at hupko@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164.



RESCHEDULED: The **weekend of October 8th**, **Dr. Kennon L. Callahan** will be welcomed as our guest Pastor, Consultant, and Coach. Dr. Callahan will guide us in "**New Beginnings**" for **First Church**. Please **set aside October 8th—10th** to attend the seminar/workshops and worship.

ERT (Early Response Team) Basic Training, March 28, 2020
POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE, TO BE DETERMINED



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference."

~ Reinhold Niebuhr, Theologian

*First Church Weekly Readings:**

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

March 23	2 Kings 23:34-24:7
March 24	2 Kings 24:8-17
March 25	2 Kings 24:18-25:7
March 26	2 Kings 25:8-21
March 27	2 Kings 25:22-30
March 28	2 Chronicles 36:17-21
March 29	Ezekiel 36:33-38

* Indicates: Uniform Series

International Lesson Series: 2 Kings 23:34-25:30
"The People of Judah Are Exiled"

Sunday School Classes

**ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL
CLASSES ARE CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**



Monthly Mission in Motion—MARCH

Helping Hand needs our assistance!
All non-perishable food items are welcome.
Needed at this time:



Canned Soups
Ramen Noodles
1-lb Bags Rice
Instant Potatoes
Oatmeal Packets
Grits Packets
Boxed Mac & Cheese

Canned Vegetables (all)
Canned Fruit
Canned Meats: Tuna/Chili/
Spam/Vienna Sausage/
Beef Stew
Peanut Butter (small jars)
Jelly (small l jars)

Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Pasta: Beefaroni/
Spaghetti
Deodorant (small)
Shampoo & Conditioner
Razors | Lotions

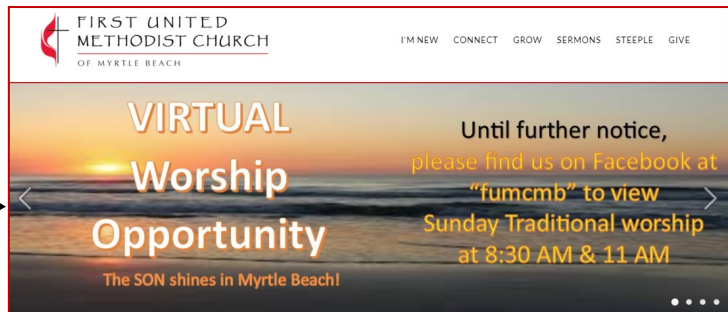
Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Jan Gunter** and family on the death of his grandmother, Joan B. Gunter, on March 11, 2020, Myrtle Beach SC, and to **Ann Standish** and family on the death of her husband, Walter Edward Standish III, on March 14, 2020 in Myrtle Beach, SC.

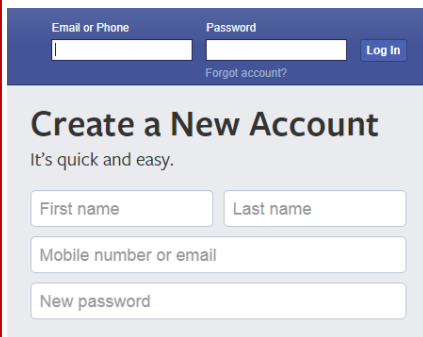
TECHNOLOGY 101 FOR EVERYONE! FREE!

During these unprecedented days, why not try something new? Get connected electronically with First Church! Here are some ways!

First Church website: On your computer, mobile phone, or tablet, bring up the internet search screen and type **www.fumcmb.org** in the search bar; press enter. The result will bring you to our **home page**. At the top of the screen, the menu bar will direct you to various topics including **The Steeple** and **Sermons!** Peruse to your heart's content!

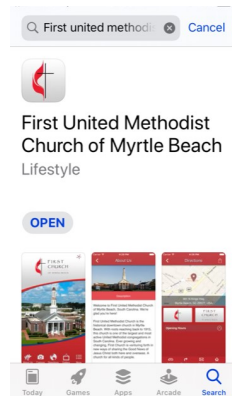


Now, if you want to **view "live" worship services, current news, or events on Facebook,**



at the internet search screen on your electronic device, type **www.facebook.com** into the search bar; press enter. The log-in screen will appear. If you do not already have a Facebook account, go to "Create a New Account" and complete the applicable section like the example here. There is no charge for this service, only account setup. After logging in, "search" for fumcmb. When the page appears, click the "LIKE" button to follow FB postings for FUMC.

OR...an easier way to access the same info from the website is to find it on our **mobile app**. Let's download the **First Church app** on your **mobile phone or tablet**. On your mobile device, go to your device's "app store" and **search for First United Methodist Church Myrtle Beach**. Find the correct result and click the "GET" icon—you may need to provide your account password (Apple or Android) to complete the process. Allow time for the app to download then click the "OPEN" icon; then explore the menu on the bottom of the screen. The "more" menu option will open numerous items to view.





UM Youth Fellowship News: Youth activities...

Coming Up:

NO YOUTH meetings until further notice

NO BREAKFAST & DEVO until further notice

EASTER MORNING EGG HUNT for Children!

**April 12th on the Front Lawn
Meet at 9:45AM in the Chapel.
Bring a basket!
Parents must accompany child.**



Sisters in Service UMW Circle annual HIBISCUS FUNDRAISER supports Local Missions. Please contact any circle member or call 843-449-3900 to purchase a beautiful **3 gallon Hibiscus** for a **\$16 donation**. Plants will be available to pick up at Evergreen Nursery during the month of April. Thank you for your support!



New Member

We welcome **Wilson Wicker** who joined First Church during Traditional worship on March 15, 2020, by transfer of membership.

Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered on March 15, 2020 to **Wyatt James Wicker**, son of Cameron and Wilson Wicker, in Traditional worship by Rev. Dr. George K. Howle.



**Saturday, April 4
CDM North Campus**

9:00AM | Breakfast

Hot pancakes, sausage, and fruit; cost is **\$15 per family**. Call CDM @ 843-692-9272 by April 1st to reserve your spot for this wonderful breakfast!

9:45AM | Easter Story time

10:15AM | Easter Egg Hunt, face painting, tattoos, pictures with the bunny.

CANDY NEEDED!

**FIRST CHURCH
child development ministry**

We **NEED** individually wrapped **candy small enough** to stuff plastic eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. **Candy may be dropped off at the church office or CDM.**

Financials and Attendance



Gifts as of 3/15/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 20,852
Giving YTD:	\$ 287,582
Expenses YTD:	\$ 296,257
Difference YTD:	- \$ 8,675

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 3/15/2020

◆ All Worship:	335
◆ Social Media Views (avg.):	1,670
◆ Sunday School:	111

First Church **Thrift Store Hours:** Mondays 9AM-12PM; Thursdays 1:00-4:00PM. Donations accepted during these times.

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

Request Emailed Steeple: thesteeple@fumcmb.org Traditional Worship televised Sunday mornings, 10:00AM, FOX Channel 7

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, March 22, 2020

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
UPDATES AVAILABLE
VIA EMAIL**


8:30AM **VIRTUAL Traditional Worship**
11:00AM **FACEBOOK** (fumcmb)

MONDAY, March 23

**CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
No walk-in visitors, please**

TUESDAY, March 24


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

Know of anyone in our membership who does not have access to a computer or mobile electronic device? Please provide their name and address to Melinda Morgan in the church office, 843-448-7164 or melinda@fumcmb.org, so that we ensure everyone receives church updates. 

Please take advantage at this time of online options to access information:

Website: www.fumcmb.org

Facebook: "fumcmb"

Thank you for remembering First Church in your **giving**. **Tithes and offerings** may be **mailed** to the church (PO Box 1367, MB SC 29578) or processed **online** through our website (see above). 


Looking ahead through Lent

(tentative)

4/04 CDM–Bunny Breakfast/Egg Hunt

4/05 Palm Sunday | Regular Worship

4/09 Maundy Thursday | 6PM

4/10 Good Friday | Noon 

4/12 Easter

6:30AM Sunrise Worship | Plyler Park

8:30AM & 11:00AM Traditional

9:45AM Children's Easter Egg Hunt

11:00AM Anew Contemporary

Easter Lily Order Form

Beautiful lilies for Easter Sunday morning may be purchased for **\$10 each** (one form per order). Purchasing a lily in honor/memory of someone special will **benefit CDM improvements**. Please complete the form below and return to CDM or the church office no later than **April 6, 2020**.



Easter Lily

IN MEMORY OF _____

Given by _____

Enclosed is my () check () cash in the amount of _____

IN HONOR OF _____

Given by _____

Enclosed is my () check () cash in the amount of _____