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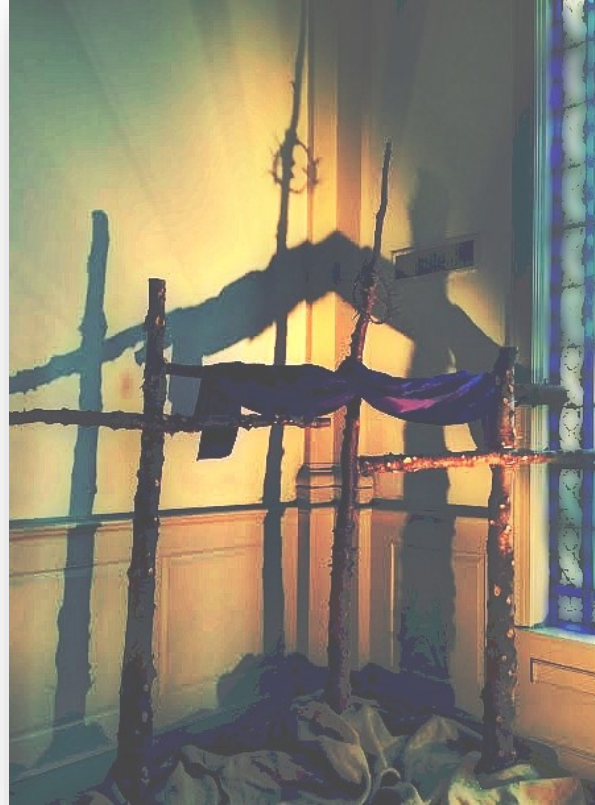
100 YEARS

A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ March 29, 2020

VIRTUAL WORSHIP ONLY

**8:30AM & 11:00AM | Traditional
Posted on Facebook**



Ministers and Ministry Directors

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle, Senior Pastor

Rev. Meredith M. Dark, Nurture Pastor

Rev. Thomas Brittain, Pastor Emeritus

Norman McQueen, Director - Music Ministry

D. Scott Ferguson, Pianist/Organist

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

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

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, MAY 2nd (subject to change)

MANDATORY Safe Sanctuary and Active Shooter Training

Wesley Worship Center from **10AM to 2PM** — Lunch provided

Training is REQUIRED for all volunteers who work with our children or youth AT ANY TIME throughout the year

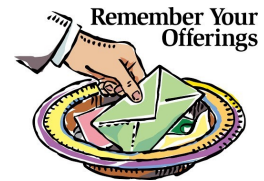
(VBS, cooks, chaperones, youth counselors, children and youth Sunday School teachers and those on Children and Youth Councils). **Ushers MUST also plan to attend** this training.

Questions? Please contact Jennifer Hupko at hupko@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164.



Sisters in Service UMW Circle annual HIBISCUS FUNDRAISER supports Local Missions. Please contact any circle member or call **843-602-9413** 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!

As we continue to deal with implications from Coronavirus, difficult decisions about church activities will be made, but God's work continues; Staff will continue to serve, lights in the church will continue to be lit, and Living Water will continue to flow. Even if we cannot be physically present, we can still give online. **Online Giving** is available by clicking on the 'Give' link at the top of our **website** page. Giving may be set up for weekly, monthly, yearly or any way you choose. Whatever option you choose, it is an easy process. Your giving may also be sent via **US Mail** to PO Box 1367, MB SC 29578. Thank you for prayerfully considering your giving.



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"When things are tough and hard in our lives, we know we can rest at ease knowing that GOD is in control."
~ unknown

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

March 30	Psalm 22:1-11
March 31	Psalm 22:12-18
April 1	Hebrews 9:1-12
April 2	Mark 15:22-32
April 3	Mark 15:33-37
April 4	Mark 15:38-41
April 5	John 19:31-37

* Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: Mark 15:1-47
"Jesus Dies on a Cross"

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:



**HELPING
HAND**
OF WYOMING BEACH, INC.

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 jars)

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

IN REMEMBRANCE

Jean Marie Braithewaite

August 24, 1932—March 20, 2020

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

Congratulations on the birth of **Adam Lukas Higgins**, born March 22, 2020, son of Cordelia and Ben Higgins.

STAY TUNED! Ways to STAY CONNECTED while we are observing social distancing. With electronic devices, be sure to keep current with FUMC via one of these formats:

Follow us on Facebook: fumcmb



Worship on Sundays may be viewed on our Facebook page at 8:30AM and 11:00AM.

Online, go to our **website:** www.fumcmb.org, click on “Sermons” to view previously recorded services.



On Mobile devices, download the **First Church app**, select “Sermons” or other available options.

OR

Tune to **FOX TV Channel 7 (cable) or Channel 43-1 (antenna) at 10AM** every Sunday!



Weekday Devotions are being posted on Facebook to help center our hearts and minds.

8:00AM—**Morning Joy**

with Jennifer Hupko

11:00AM—**Moment with the Ministers**

Pastors George & Meredith

1:00PM—**Julia's Storytime**

for the children
with Julian Brooks



Due to the ongoing uncertainty of church activities through Easter, please do not submit Lily orders. **In lieu of a lily**, please consider making a **donation** to

our **Child Development Ministry**.

Proceeds will continue to benefit CDM to replace the 24 year-old carpet.

Monetary donations will be accepted through April and may be designated “in memory/honor of” a loved one. A donation form is attached in this **Steeple**. Please remit your check payable to First UMC. Thank you for your continued support.

Prior orders—please pick up a Lily on April 6th in the church office.



UM Youth Fellowship News: Youth activities...

Coming Up:

NO YOUTH meetings until further notice

NO BREAKFAST & DEVO until further notice

Chad, Grant, and Melody are getting some things organized to allow us to **continue youth fellowship online**. Look out for an email soon that will outline our plans! Don't forget to stay connected with us on Facebook and on Instagram for daily devotions and scripture reading. We will also utilize the same media for any updates.



CALLING ALL SENIORS HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

If your child is a **High School or College Senior**, please contact Jennifer Hupko. **Youth Sunday** will be **May 17th** and we want to recognize this great achievement in the life of your child. Please contact Jennifer at hupko@fumcmb.org.



BREAKFAST & EGG HUNT Kick-off Easter with CDM Fun!

Saturday, April 4
CDM North Campus

CANCELLED

EASTER MORNING EGG HUNT for Children!

April 12th on the Front Lawn

CANCELLED



Financials and Attendance



Gifts as of 3/22/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 10,466
Giving YTD:	\$ 298,108
Expenses YTD:	\$ 310,793
Difference YTD:	- \$ 12,685

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 3/22/2020 (no on-site activities)

◆ All Worship-FaceBook views:	2,438
◆ All Social Media Views (avg.):	2,410
◆ Sunday School:	0

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 29, 2020

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
UPDATES AVAILABLE
VIA EMAIL**

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

MONDAY, March 30

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

TUESDAY, March 31

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

Looking ahead through Lent *(tentative)*

4/05 Palm Sunday | Virtual

4/09 Maundy Thursday | Virtual

4/10 Good Friday | Virtual

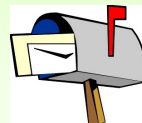
4/12 Easter | Virtual

6:30AM Sunrise

8:30AM & 11:00AM Traditional



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.



CDM Donation Form

In lieu of a Lily purchase, please consider making a donation to FUMC's Child Development Ministry to benefit needed improvements. You may designate "in honor/memory" of a loved one. Please complete the form below and return to the church office along with your check payable to First UMC. Donations may be made throughout the month of April. **Prior Lily orders may be picked up on April 6th in the church office.**

CDM Donation

IN MEMORY OF _____

Given by _____

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

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