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A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ May 17, 2020

VIRTUAL WORSHIP ONLY

**8:30AM & 11:00AM | Traditional/Blended
Posted on Facebook and Website**



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

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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

WORSHIP UPDATE (DATE TO BE DETERMINED)! While we remain hopeful for a return to in-person worship SOON, we await the Bishop and Cabinet's recommendations currently in deliberations.

At such time a date is confirmed, please know we will communicate to everyone as early as possible as our preparations continue.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (See note below on attendance reservations, first come basis.*)

Traditional—8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM in the Sanctuary, FRONT DOOR ONLY

Anew—9:30AM, 11:00AM in the Wesley Worship Center, MAIN DOOR ONLY

CAPACITY LIMITATIONS

Sanctuary seating limited to 100 people per service

Contemporary seating limited to 50 people per service

***Following are the steps to take if you want to attend worship in person during this partial opening time:**

Call Cynthia in the office, 843-448-7164, to let her know which worship time, from the above schedule, you want to attend. This will be your set time until we are back to a normal worship schedule.

All ages are welcome to attend when we return to in-person worship. We do, however, recommend that those with underlying medical conditions remain home, or at your own discretion.

Bring a **face covering** to wear during worship.

*****No Little Church or Nursery during these worship hours.*****

We **will not have in-person Sunday School** (adult or children) at the church during this partial opening. Please contact your Sunday School classes as many have already been holding virtual Sunday School.

PLEASE remember this will not be like our normal Sunday worship services. We have to practice social distancing. With that in mind, we will not be congregating before or after services in the Sanctuary or in the Wesley Worship Center. **Entrance** to either building will open **10 minutes prior** to any service.

If you have any questions please call the church office at 843-448-7164 and we will be glad to help you. Further information will be provided here in **The Steeple** as we draw near to our "new temporary normal" in worship together for the ensuing days.

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

May 18	Colossians 1:9-14
May 19	1 Peter 1:17-23
May 20	1 Corinthians 1:26-31
May 21	2 Corinthians 12:1-6
May 22	Acts 7:54-60
May 23	2 Corinthians 5:1-10
May 24	Luke 23:32-33, 39-43

** Indicates: Uniform Series
International Lesson Series: Luke 23:32-43
"Grace to the Dying Thief"*



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

Monthly Mission in Motion—MAY



Helping Hand— All non-perishable food items are welcome.

Needed at this time:

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| Canned Soups | Canned Vegetables (all) | Spaghetti Sauce |
| Ramen Noodles | Canned Fruit | Canned Pasta: Beefaroni/
Spaghetti |
| 1-lb Bags Rice | Canned Meats: Tuna/Chili/
Spam/Vienna Sausage/
Beef Stew | Deodorant (small) |
| Instant Potatoes | Peanut Butter (small jars) | Shampoo & Conditioner |
| Oatmeal Packets | Jelly (small jars) | Lotions |
| Grits Packets | | Razors |
| Boxed Mac & Cheese | | |

Condolences

The pastor, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Melvin “Lynwood” Lewis, Sr.** and family on the recent death of his brother, Bruce Hodge on May 10, 2020 in Hilton Head SC; and to **Darlene Rebeck** and family on the death of her mother, Mary Caldwell, on May 11, 2020, in Pittsburgh, PA.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Debbie Ropp** on the birth of her grandson, Carter Robert Bayley, on May 11, 2020. Proud parents are Cameron and Josh Bayley.

Big Tom’s “A Quote”

“Anyone can make a small gesture of kindness to another person that can change the world . . . it’s just that simple.” ~ *Laura Dern, Oscar winner/actress*



Help 4 Kids—MISSION OPPORTUNITY!

SANDWICHES are needed for children in our community and outlying areas on **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays** now through August. Any and all help is appreciated. Individually wrapped sandwiches may be delivered directly to **Help 4 Kids by 9AM (MWF), 2523 Forestbrook Rd** (across from Dollar General) OR bring prepared, wrapped sandwiches **to the church office by 8:30AM (MWF) to be delivered** same day. Suggested sandwich options: Peanut Butter & Jelly, Baloney/cheese, Ham/cheese, Hot Dogs (cooked), **NO CONDIMENTS**. All sandwiches **must be wrapped** in a Ziplock/ plastic baggie. Snack-size bags of **chips are also welcome**.



IMPORTANT DATE—Saturday, SEPTEMBER 19 MANDATORY

Safe Sanctuary and Active Shooter Training

Wesley Worship Center from 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.



UM Youth Fellowship News: Youth activities...

Coming Up:

NO YOUTH meetings until further notice
NO BREAKFAST & DEVO until further notice

Virtual Schedule—ONLINE ONLY
Sundays & Wednesdays at 7:00PM
Online Devo via "Google Meets"
Watch for a link in email



Salkehatchie Mission Trip has been cancelled due to ongoing Coronavirus repercussions.



2020 Summer Camp NEW DATES FOR FUMC **July 5-10, 2020**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 and CDC regulations regarding social distancing, parents will be responsible for transportation to and from camp.

If the date change above is not possible for your family, there are three (3) alternatives available:

1. Transfer registration to another week for the 2020 session (space allowing)
2. Transfer registration balance to Summer 2021
3. Cancel registration, request full or partial refund

To Confirm/Request a Move/Transfer or Cancel, please contact office@asburyhills.org to request the appropriate form to complete.

For other questions, contact Cindy Johnson, cdmatthebeach@aol.com or 843-692-9272.

Social distancing goes on, church activities are cancelled until further notice, but God's work continues. **Online Giving** is available by clicking the 'Give' link at the top of our **website** page. Giving may be set up in any way you choose. Your gifts may also be sent via **US Mail** to PO Box 1367, MB SC 29578. Thank you for your prayerful offerings.



Financials and Attendance



Gifts as of 5/10/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 21,365
Giving YTD:	\$ 456,640
Expenses YTD:	\$ 531,705
Difference YTD:	- \$ 75,065

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 5/10/2020 (no on-site activities)

- ◆ All Worship-FaceBook/Web: 733
- ◆ All Other Social Media: 10,657
- ◆ Sunday School: Meeting online

First Church Thrift Store Hours: CLOSED during Coronavirus. No donations accepted at this time.

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 Traditional Worship televised Sunday mornings, 10:00AM, FOX Channel 7

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, May 17, 2020

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
UPDATES AVAILABLE
VIA EMAIL**

8:30AM **VIRTUAL Blended Worship**
11:00AM FACEBOOK (fumcmb)
WEBSITE: www.fumcmb.org

MONDAY, May 18

**CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
NO WALK-IN VISITORS**

TUESDAY, May 19

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



**Weekday Devotions
on Facebook
(fumcmb)**

8:00AM—**Morning Joy** (M-Sat)
with Jennifer Hupko

11:00AM—**Ministers' Moment**
with Rev. George
and Rev. Meredith

1:00PM—**Julia's Storytime** for the
children with Julia Brooks

