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CHURCH

100 YEARS

A Church with a Heart
in the Heart
of Myrtle Beach

The Steeple ■ May 3, 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

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

CELEBRATE CLASS of 2020

CLASS OF 2020—IN 3 WORDS!

If you have a **senior graduating this year** (or know a graduating senior) and would like to **recognize them** in an upcoming issue of **The Steeple**, simply send in their name and picture with your **3-word accolades**, along with your name (or family group) to **melinda@fumcmb.org**. Do it now while it is fresh on your mind! One example might be: "You did it!" or "God bless you".



Mother's Day is the single most important day of the year for **Epworth Children's Home**. Approximately 20% of Epworth's budget is received during the Mother's Day offering. **First Church will determine a date in the near future to be designated for our support of this important ministry.** Epworth is not an apportioned item and depends on this and Work Day offerings to sustain its ministry. Thank you for your prayers and support.



First Church will serve at Community Kitchen May 11-15th.
Breakfast shift | 7AM-10AM and Lunch Shift | 10AM-1PM

Social distancing is in effect.

To volunteer, please contact Lesa Jones, 704-796-7280 or LJones6430@gmail.com.

First Church administration applied for and **received SBA COVID-19 assistance through the Paycheck Protection Plan.** The amount received was based on the prior year's payroll and utilities expenses. This funding will be used for salaries until the amount is exhausted, approximately 2 months. This assistance, along with your sacrificial giving through this time of crisis, will be sufficient to keep us aloft until a return to normalcy. Thank you for your generous giving to this church. Without your support, we would be in financial distress.

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Satan found Jesus and said to Him, 'I have just stopped church in the USA.' Jesus replied, 'That's OK, I have just started churches in every home in America'."

~ unknown

*First Church Weekly Readings:**

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

May 4	Psalm 115:9-18
May 5	Psalm 40:11-17
May 6	Jonah 1:4-17
May 7	Revelation 12:1-6, 13-16
May 8	Matthew 6:25-34
May 9	Genesis 4:1-9
May 10	Genesis 3:21; 4:10-16

* Indicates: Uniform Series

International Lesson Series: Genesis 3:21; 4:1-16
"God's Grace Toward Adam, Eve, and Cain"



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



Monthly Mission in Motion—MAY



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

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

Needed at this time:

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		

IN REMEMBRANCE

Dorothy Herring McClung

October 13, 1927—April 22, 2020

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

Condolences

The pastor, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Rev. George & Mrs. Pam Howle** on the death of Pam's uncle, Don Brown, on April 27, 2020 in Hartsville SC.

UPDATE! Bishop Holston recommends that in-person church worship and activities be suspended **through May 20, 2020**. That being said, planning has begun in preparation for a temporary **“abnormal” return to worship on May 24th**. More details will be forthcoming; however, please pay attention to the first of these **new procedures for worship and your faithful adherence to them**. **During this time of social distancing, IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES OR NURSERY WILL NOT BE HELD.**

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

***NOTE: Call Cynthia** in the church office (843-448-7164) **to reserve** your one service time commitment. All service reservations will remain unchanged through this temporary period. Any missed services cannot be honored at other times.

PARAMETERS

- Anyone age **65+** and others with underlying health conditions, please remain at home and continue to view worship via Facebook, Website, or Fox TV.
- **Everyone in attendance must wear a Face Mask** while inside the church building; please **bring your own mask**.
- **Every other pew** will be roped off for distancing purposes. Families may sit together; however, unrelated individuals must observe 6-foot distance in each pew (pews will be marked for assistance). ANEW chair seating will be observed in the same manner.
- **Entrance** into either building will open **10 minutes prior** to any service.
- **Dismissal** at the end of each service will be **directed by Ushers** to aid in timely exit followed by cleaning and disinfecting afterward. Everyone **must leave the premises immediately** in an orderly manner and hold conversation/visiting to the outdoors to avoid a backup at the buildings' entrances.

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.



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

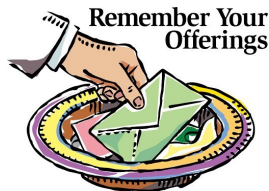


IMPORTANT DATE Saturday, SEPTEMBER 19 MANDATORY

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 train-
ing. If you have any questions, please con-
tact Jennifer Hupko at hupko@fumcmb.org
or 843-448-7164.

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.



STAY TUNED FOR UPDATED INFO!



TENTATIVE 2020 Summer Camp June 7-12, 2020



Thank you to our First Church family and friends for your love and support and for the many calls, lovely cards, food, and showers of blessings shown our families after our recent loss.

*With love,
Hewell Family
Guinn Family*

Financials and Attendance



Gifts as of 4/26/2020 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 21,893
Giving YTD:	\$ 414,264
Expenses YTD:	\$ 467,815
Difference YTD:	- \$ 53,551

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 4/26/2020 (no on-site activities)

◆ All Worship-FaceBook/Web:	1,457
◆ All Other Social Media:	11,230
◆ Sunday School:	Meeting online

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

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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 3, 2020

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
UPDATES AVAILABLE
VIA EMAIL**

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

MONDAY, May 4

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

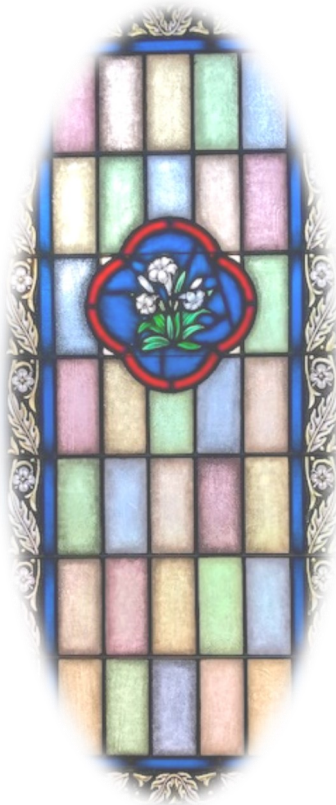
TUESDAY, May 5

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



Weekday Devotions on Facebook (fumcmb)

8:00AM—**Morning Joy** (M-Sat)
with Jennifer Hupko
11:00AM—**Moment with Ministers**
with Rev. George
and Rev. Meredith
1:00PM—**Julia's Storytime** for the
children with Julia Brooks



*MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS
FOR APRIL 2020 BULLETIN*

—————**IN MEMORY OF**—————

Lee Adelstone

Rod & Charlene Adelstone (Memorial Fund)

John Earle Baker

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Deborah Champion

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Dennis & Barbara Neptune (General Funds)
Dick & Nancy Branch (Memorial Fund)

Martha Hewell

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Tennessee Collier Unit (General Funds)
Roger & Judy Hall (TV Ministry)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Ruell & Deborah Hicks (Music Fund)

Mary Lee Jones

Bobby Jones (Child Development Ministry)

Alice Lee

Martha Wagner (Meals for Shut-Ins)

Charlie Moore

Rod & Charlene Adelstone (Memorial Fund)

Robert Poston

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Martha Wagner (Meals for Shut-Ins)
Bobby Jones (TV Ministry)
Betty & Stan Williams (TV Ministry)
Roger & Judy Hall (TV Ministry)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Thomas Evans (Memorial Fund)
Duane & Nancy Squires (Memorial Fund)
Ann & Frank Viola (Memorial Fund)
James & Patricia Foster (Memorial Fund)
Tom & Judy Winn (Child Development Ministry)
Lib Iseamn (Hope House)
Becky & Perry Johnson (Summer Camp Endowment)

—————**MEMORIALS (continued)**—————

Robert Ropp

Walter & Sarah Machowski (Memorial Fund)
Arlene Godbold (Memorial Fund)

Walter Standish

Tom Sutton (TV Ministry)
Carmen Springs (TV Ministry)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Rod & Charlene Adelstone (Memorial Fund)
Karen West (Child Development Ministry)

Mike Wheeler

Tom & Judy Winn (Music Fund)
Linda & Larry Gates (Music Fund)
Roger & Judy Hall (Chancel Choir)
Rod & Charlene Adelstone (Memorial Fund)
Becky & Perry Johnson (Summer Camp Endowment)
Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Ruell & Deborah Hicks (Music Fund)

Martha White

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

—————**IN HONOR OF**—————

**EVERYONE HELPING EACH OTHER
DURING THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY**

Sharri Hammond (CDM)

*Easter Lilies
and
Child Development Center
Donations for 2020*

In Loving Memory of:

Linda Cantey

By: Jay Cantey

Ryan Hucks

By: Tim & Deborah Duncan

Charles Huggins, Sr.

By: Dorothy Huggins

Buddy McGeorge

By: Roselle & Needham Williamson

Alex & Susan Mordvino

By: Daniel & Maria Shuler

Wilson B. Springs

By: Tim & Deborah Duncan

Bradley Taylor

By: Dorothy Huggins

Eddie White

By: Ann & Jim Makins

Bettine Williamson

By: Roselle & Needham Williamson

In Honor of:

Patrick & McNeill Cone

By: Sugi & Granddaddy

FUMC Pastors & Staff

By: Phyllis & David Marlette

Virginia Hucks

By: Tim & Deborah Duncan

Jak & Anne Rhem Kelley

By: Sugi & Granddaddy

Carmen & Hampton McCoy

By: Sugi & Granddaddy

My Grandchildren

By: Joanne Herring