



**The Steeple ■ October 3, 2021**

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:30AM\* Traditional, Sanctuary

11:00AM\* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary

\*also Facebook Live-stream

**MONDAY WORSHIP**

5:45PM Contemporary, North Campus



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**Ministers**

**Rev. Dr. George K. Howle**, Senior Pastor

**Rev. Meredith M. Dark**, Nurture Pastor

**Rev. Thomas Brittain**, Pastor Emeritus

**Rev. Jennifer Hupko**, Minister,  
Christian Education/Programming

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**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."*

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*First United Methodist Church Myrtle Beach*

*Church Office Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:00AM-5:00PM—CLOSED FRIDAY*

*Main Campus (office), 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*



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK! Weekly Dinner Helpers**

So many of our church activities are supported by many who enjoy doing certain tasks, because it is God's "gift" in your life. Our **fellowship meals** on Sunday and Monday evenings provide a perfect opportunity to get involved—**no experience necessary! Serving in the kitchen** for these meals for an hour each time with 5 to 7 helpers is all it takes—Main Campus on Sunday evenings and North Campus on Monday evenings. One Sunday School Class has already committed to serving the first Sunday of each month. Individuals and groups alike are welcome to participate. To sign up for a date (or dates), please **contact** our Volunteer Coordinator, **Rhonda Singleton**, at [rsingle@sccoast.net](mailto:rsingle@sccoast.net).

**Advent Study—The Heart that Grew Three Sizes by Matt Rawle.**

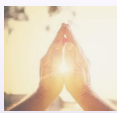
This Advent and Christmas season, look at a familiar classic through the lens of faith and see how Christ speaks to us through our culture.

**Study Schedule: Sundays**, beginning Nov 28–Dec 19 at 5:45PM, Wesley Bldg  
**Thursdays**, beginning Dec 2–23 at 11AM, Chapel  
 Please contact Rev. Jennifer Hupko, [Hupko@fumcmb.org](mailto:Hupko@fumcmb.org) to register.  
 Books \$13.



Join us **Sunday evenings at 5PM for dinner, fellowship** and a **short program at 5:45PM**. Here's what's coming up:

- Oct 3rd**—Pastor George will share information for Long Range Planning
  - Oct 10th**—John Lox will begin a 2-part series: Part 1: Struggles with Faith
  - Oct 17th**—Part 2: Stages of Faith
- Don't miss out on these learning opportunities!



**Prayer Vigil—Tuesdays at Noon** until Celebration Sunday on October 17th. Please pray as you are led.

*Dear Lord, We are thankful for what you have given us. Help us to look inward at this time of stewardship, and consider all of the gifts in our lives. May we show you appreciation by returning to you a portion of what you have given us and your church. Let us consider how we may be better stewards of these gifts so that others may come to know you as we do. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

**Big Tom's "A Quote"**

"Goodness isn't hard to find—especially when you are on the lookout."

~ Anna Rendell, author

***First Church Weekly Readings:\****

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

Oct 4	Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
Oct 5	Romans 1:11-12
Oct 6	Romans 12:3-8
Oct 7	Galatians 6:1-5
Oct 8	James 5:13-18
Oct 9	1 Corinthians 12:12-13
Oct 10	1 Corinthians 12:14-31

*\*Uniform Series—Int'l Lesson Series:  
 1 Corinthians 12:1-31  
 "The Church as One Body"*

***Sunday School Classes***

**Children's Classes**

0-2 year-olds	Nursery
3 and 4 year-old preschool	Wesley 102
Kindergarten/First Grade	Wesley 205
2nd and 3rd Grades	Wesley 203
4th and 5th Grades	Wesley 204

**Youth Classes**

6th - 12th Grades	Sunshine House
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**Adult Classes**

Ark	The 925
Brittain Fellowship	Asbury 101
Faith Foundations	Asbury 203
M.D. Moore*	Wesley 105
New Horizons	Asbury 201
Open Doors*	Wesley 103
Open Fellowship*	Music Center 101

**WORSHIP GUIDELINES:** Join us for worship as your health permits. Please use personal discretion for Masks and Distancing; however, **masking is recommended.**

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## Monthly Mission in Motion for OCTOBER

**New Directions Women's Shelter**—A transitional program serving families in crisis, a safe shelter providing counseling, legal advocacy and 24-hour crisis intervention.



**NEEDS: ALL PAPER PRODUCTS**—toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, napkins; trash bags (tall kitchen), laundry detergent, Pampers (sizes 4 & 5), cleaning supplies.

Items may be placed in receptacles in the church office. Please help stop the cycle of violence by giving generously. **Monetary donations by check may be made payable to FUMC, note New Directions.**

### IN REMEMBRANCE

Martha Jane Brooks Peterson

March 13, 1932—September 26, 2021

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

### IN REMEMBRANCE

Carol Buckels Ralston

October 22, 1935—August 12, 2021

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

### Condolences

The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Marie-Claire Brittain** and family on the passing of her mother, **Patsy Tyden**, on September 27, 2021, outside of London England.

### FIRST ACADEMY FUNDRAISER— **FINAL ORDER TODAY!**

**Tennessee Collier Circle's** Meal Fundraiser to benefit FUMAcademy.

Homemade **Taco Soup (beef)**, **Corn Muffins**, and **Cookies**. **Order forms** may be found in labeled baskets in the church office, Sanctuary Narthex, and Contemporary Worship. Please turn in **orders** and payment to the church office **by Oct. 3rd**; cash or check (payable to FUMC with a note for Tennessee Collier Circle).



**First Church United Methodist Women "Butter Braid" fundraiser** to benefit **FUMAcademy till Oct. 15th**. To order, please contact **any member** of United Methodist Women, or order **online** by with the link, [www.tinyurl.com/UMW21](http://www.tinyurl.com/UMW21). QR Codes are on flyers posted throughout the church. Thank you for your support!



The **Lautrelle Merchant Circle** is again selling **RADA Cutlery**. Christmas is coming and RADA utensils make wonderful gifts. This annual fundraiser that helps support many worthwhile local and statewide missions. Books and **order forms** can be found at the receptionist desk in the **church office**. The order will be placed in November insuring delivery in early December. We thank you for your support.





## Youth Schedule...

- Oct 3:** 5:15-7PM Youth @ North Campus
- Oct 6:** 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast  
Southern House of Pancakes (\$7)
- Oct 8:** 6:00PM Tailgate @ Doug Shaw Stad.
- Oct 10:** NO YOUTH (Columbus Day Holiday)



**USHER TRAINING FOR ALL ADULTS & JR/SR HI YOUTH SUNDAY, NOV 7th 5:45-6:15PM, SANCTUARY**

The **Nursery** is now *available* for children, ages **infant to pre-school**, on Sundays from 8:30AM until Noon during worship and Sunday School. The Nursery is located in the Wesley Building.



*Thank you for the comfort food during our mourning for Dad. The fried chicken, green beans, mac-n-cheese and rolls were delicious. Thank you for your kindness and support during our difficult time. We know Dad is with Jesus, Mom and Kevin—that gives us comfort.*

*Love to First Church,  
The Family of Bill Clontz  
Christy, Danna & Neva*

*Thank You*

*Thank you to the congregation for your donations to the College Ministry. We sent 22 packages to students up and down the east coast between New Jersey and Florida!!! Please continue to pray for our students.*

*~ College Ministry Team*



The attractive **Flag Box** placed outdoors in the breezeway (by the Sacristy door) is for **worn flags** to be dropped there for proper disposal through an Eagle Scout service project sponsored by Campbell Smith Pruett.



### LIBRARY NEWS!

Our church library has a good variety of books that enlighten, entertain, and inspire. Stop by the library (behind the Sanctuary) and have a look. A list of the classifications/sections is located on the table in the Library to help you find a specific topic. You may also email any questions to Peggy Ecker, Church Librarian, at [Librarian@fumcmb.org](mailto:Librarian@fumcmb.org).



**NEEDED servers for fellowship meals** on Sunday evenings in the Wesley Worship Center OR on Monday evenings at North Campus. To sign up,

please **contact Rhonda Singleton**, [rsingle@sccoast.net](mailto:rsingle@sccoast.net).

Upcoming dates to fill:

**Sundays: Oct 10, 17, 24**

**Mondays: Oct 4, 11, 18, 25**

Thank you for prayerfully considering your participating in service to First Church.

**VENMO** is an electronic giving option available for use with a cell phone. Open the camera on your cell phone and hold it over the QR code (to the right). Tap the link to open the VENMO app then follow instructions to give electronically.



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Thanks for Your Support!

## Financials and Attendance

### Gifts as of 9/26/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 19,760
Giving YTD:	\$ 1,022,220
Expenses YTD:	\$ 1,262,434
Difference YTD:	<b>- \$ 246,214</b>

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

### Presence 9/26/2021

◆ Worship:	345
◆ Fox TV (June)	900
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	540
◆ All Social Media:	2,620
◆ Sunday School:	135

**First Church Thrift Store—Mondays: 9AM-1PM and Thursdays: 1-4PM. Seasonal donations accepted.**

**Mailing address: First United Methodist Church, PO Box 1367, Myrtle Beach SC 29578-1367**

Phone: 843-448-7164

Email: [office@fumcmb.org](mailto:office@fumcmb.org)

Website: [www.fumcmb.org](http://www.fumcmb.org)

Become a Fan: [www.facebook.com/FUMCMB](http://www.facebook.com/FUMCMB)

Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)

**Request emailed Steeple: [thesteeple@fumcmb.org](mailto:thesteeple@fumcmb.org)**

**Televised Worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7**

## Happening This Week

**SUNDAY, October 3, 2021**

### *Holy Communion*

- 8:30-12:00 **Nursery Provided** WESLEY BLDG  
8:30AM **Traditional Worship**  
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE  
9:45AM **Sunday School—All Ages**  
9:45AM **Confirmation Class**  
SONSHINE HOUSE  
11:00AM **Contemporary Worship**  
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR | FACEBOOK  
11:00AM **Traditional Worship**  
SANCTUARY  
4:15PM **Children's Choirs**  
WESLEY BLDG  
5:00PM **Family Dinner/Program**  
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER  
5:15PM **Youth Group**  
NORTH CAMPUS

**CHURCH OFFICE OPEN**  
**Mon-Thurs, 8:00AM—5:00PM**

### **MONDAY, October 4**

- 9A-12PM **Thrift Store Open**  
5:00PM **Family Dinner** N CAMPUS  
5:45PM **Monday Night Worship**  
NORTH CAMPUS  
5:30PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**  
WESLEY BUILDING  
6:30PM **Festive Brass Rehearsal**  
THE 925

### **TUESDAY, October 5**

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLOOR  
10A-12PM **UMW Exec Board Mtg**  
PARLOR  
2:30PM **Book Study** CHAPEL

### **WEDNESDAY, October 6**

- 7:00AM **Youth Breakfast/Devo** (\$7)  
SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES  
7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**  
PRAYER ROOM  
1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**  
WESLEY BUILDING  
5:30PM **F3-Faith Family Fitness**  
NORTH CAMPUS  
6:30PM **Adult Chancel Choir**  
MUSIC CENTER

### **THURSDAY, October 7**

- 10:00AM **Caregivers Group** PARLOR  
1-4PM **Thrift Store OPEN**  
6:00PM **Living Free** BRITAIN FELLOWSHIP

### **FRIDAY, October 8**

- 8:30AM **Band Rehearsal**  
WESLEY WORSHIP CENTER  
10:30AM **Anne Herbert Circle** PARLOR

**WELCOME  
TO**



In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to First United Methodist Church. We hope you feel the presence of God in our worship together.

#### **Our Invitation**

You are invited to begin your journey today by becoming a disciple of Jesus Christ and a member of the First United Methodist Church family of faith.

#### **Please tell us about yourselves.**

(Please tear off and place in the offering plate.)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Rev.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home/Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group  1-19  20-35  35-49

50-65  65 - up

Married  Single  Widowed

College  Youth  Child

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children & Ages (living at home) \_\_\_\_\_

First time guest

New in community

#### **Interests and opportunities to serve...**

- How to become a Christian  
 Knowing more about First Church  
 Would like Pastor to call  
 Adult Ministry  
 Youth Ministry  
 Children's Ministry  
 Preschool/Kindergarten Ministry  
 Child Development Ministry  
 Music Ministry-Choir  
 Music Ministry-Hand Bells  
 United Methodist Women  
 Sunday School  
 Small Group Bible Study  
 Homebound Ministry  
 Prayer Ministry  
 Vacation Bible School  
 Thrift Store

#### **How did you find us?**

Friend  TV  Online

Other \_\_\_\_\_



**MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS  
FOR SEPTEMBER 2021 BULLETIN**

**IN MEMORY OF:**

**Mary Clark**

Gael Sansbury (TV Ministry)  
Kelly & Gary Davis (TV Ministry)  
Ed & Annette Willett (TV Ministry)  
Mr. & Mrs. John Gandy (TV Ministry)  
United Methodist Women (TV Ministry)  
Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)  
Carol Anne & Ronnie Felts (TV Ministry)  
Bubby & Barbara Inabinet (TV Ministry)  
John & Carolyn Streater (TV Ministry)  
Mary Catherine & Steve Mattox (TV Ministry)  
Eileen Harrington (TV Ministry)  
Mike & Terry Sanders (Memorial Fund)  
Randy & Chris Wallace (Music Fund)

**Bill Clontz**

Judy & Roger Hall (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Open Fellowship Class (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)  
James & Helen Shaffer (TV Ministry)  
Martha Stanton (TV Ministry)  
Frank & Harriet Clark (TV Ministry)  
Judy Clontz Moir (TV Ministry)  
Janice Clontz Bean (TV Ministry)  
David Clontz (TV Ministry)  
Donald Clontz (TV Ministry)  
Jay & Suzanne Haar (TV Ministry)  
Susan & John Guinn (TV Ministry)  
Becky & Perry Johnson (Handbell Choir)  
Ronald & Bonnie Eldridge (Kitchen Fund)  
Neil & Donna Trask (Memorial Fund)  
Bubba & Bleeker Cannon (Music Fund)  
Rod & Charlene Adelstone (General Fund)  
Gene & Rhonda Singleton (TV Ministry)

**Peggy Elliott**

Mike & Terry Sanders (Memorial Fund)

**Irene Garrison**

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

**Charles Hinson**

Sisters in Service (Children's Ministry)  
Randy & Chris Wallace (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

**Buddy Lowe**

Mike & Terry Sanders (Memorial Fund)

**Ann Makins**

Lautrelle Merchant Unit (Kitchen Renovation Fund)

**Peggy Sansbury**

Randy & Chris Wallace (Music Fund)

**MEMORIALS (continued):**

**Danny Singleton**

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)  
Tom & Rhonda Slavish (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Tom & Judy Winn (Music Fund)  
Frank & Harriet Clark (Music Fund)

**Duane Squires**

Mike & Terry Sanders (Memorial Fund)

**Donnie Todd**

Ed & Annette Willett (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Gael Sansbury (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Sandra & Bob Shealy (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Ruell & Deborah Hicks (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Randy & Chris Wallace (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)  
Mary Lynn Morris (Memorial Funds)  
Mike & Terry Sanders (Memorial Fund)  
Judy & Roger Hall (Memorial Fund)  
Mary Morris (Memorial Fund)  
Terry & Elaine Hyman (Memorial Fund)  
Albert & Amy Springs (Memorial Fund)  
Buddy & Penny Styers (TV Ministry)  
Harry Gardner (TV Ministry)

**Harper Woods**

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

**IN HONOR OF:**

**Tom Brittain's Birthday**

Pete & Jo Pearce (Summer Camp Endowment)  
Dr. & Mrs. Donald Egerton (Summer Camp Endowment)