

1919-2019

FIRST



CHURCH

100 YEARS

A Church with a Heart  
in the Heart  
of Myrtle Beach

**The Steeple ■ September 20, 2020**

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**IN-PERSON WORSHIP**

**8:30AM Traditional/Blended (Facebook Live)**

**11:00AM Traditional/Blended Worship**



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**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/Programming  
**Julia Brooks**, Director  
Children's Ministry  
**Cindy Johnson**, Director  
Child Development Ministry

**Norman McQueen**, Director  
Music Ministry  
**D. Scott Ferguson**, Pianist/Organist  
**Chad Mullinix**, Director  
Youth Ministry  
**Grant Nesmith, Melody Gildner**  
Co-Directors - Youth Ministry  
**Philip Keilen**, Director  
Coastal Samaritan Counseling Center

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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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**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 GUIDELINES in effect until further notice

Join us for worship on Sunday, as your health permits. We continue to request that everyone please follow these guidelines to ensure everyone's health and safety. Our current capacity remains at 150 per service.

**8:30AM and 11:00AM Worship-Traditional/Blended** in the Sanctuary  
**Facebook Live @ 8:30AM**

**\*\*\*Please register your attendance (name, address, phone#). Ushers will provide pen/paper then place pen/paper in the specific containers as you exit.\*\*\***

- **Sanitization** continues weekly and manually between services
- Please wear a **face covering** during worship—maintain **social distance**
- Access only through the **Front Door** center aisle (if rain, use breezeway side door)
- **Ushers will seat & dismiss guests (please do not insist on your regular seat)**
- **Families** may sit together in one pew without distancing
- **Offering plates** are situated at the doors upon exit; please **move outside** to visit
- **Narthex restrooms** only available; **Children under 12**, parent must accompany
- **NO Nursery, NO Children's Church, NO Wiggle Bags, NO Sunday School**



**Myrtle Beach Lions Club is sponsoring a  
Drive-thru FOOD DRIVE FOR HELP4KIDS  
Thursday, September 24th from 2PM till 5PM  
FUMC Thrift Store parking lot (behind the church)  
506 9th Ave N, Myrtle Beach**



\*\*\*Drive up to have food donations unloaded\*\*\*

**Food Needs:** Flavored Instant Oatmeal—Fruit cups—Canned Pasta—Vienna Sausage—Pudding Cups—Peanut Butter Crackers—Ramen Noodles

**Clothes Needs: Kids' sizes 6-14** — Pants, shirts, underwear, socks, pajamas, coats, hats, scarves, mittens, gloves

Cash donations will also be accepted, checks payable to **Myrtle Beach Lions Club.**

**All Saints' Day is November 1st**—We will remember those who have entered the Church Triumphant since November 3, 2019. In worship, we will share the names and pictures of those who have passed—members and family of members. Please submit pictures of these loved ones to Melinda Morgan in the church office ([melinda@fumcmb.org](mailto:melinda@fumcmb.org)) **by October 20th** so that we may recognize them in worship.



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

"If you do not deal with your burdens, they will deal with you."

~ Ben Affleck, actor

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

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

Sep 21	Isaiah 45:21-24
Sep 22	Psalms 40:1-10
Sep 23	2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
Sep 24	Galatians 2:15-21
Sep 25	Revelation 14:9-13
Sep 26	Romans 10:5-13
Sep 27	Romans 10:14-17

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

*\* Indicates: Uniform Series  
International Lesson Series: Romans 10:5-17  
"Faith, Salvation, and Righteousness"*

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## Monthly Mission in Motion for SEPTEMBER



### Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach

**Needed at this time:** Cereals, Grits (packets), Oatmeal (packets), Pork & Beans, Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti sauce, Pasta, Canned Pasta, Canned Tuna/Ham/Spam, Dry Beans, Rice, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Hearty Soups/Stews, Canned Fruit, Powdered Drink Mixes, Kool Aid  
Canned vegetables: Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Vegetables, Tomatoes



### IN REMEMBRANCE

Harold E. Clemmons

January 9, 1934—September 15, 2020

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

The **Dutch Cradle Cross** on the altar is in honor of the birth of **Warner Edward Smith**, born August 23, 2020, son of **Jessica and Hunter Smith** and little brother to Nolon. Proud grandparents are Susan Smith and Greg Smith.



### Stephen Ministry

**Stephen Ministry equips lay people** to provide one-to-one, Christian care to individuals in our congregation and community who are experiencing life difficulties.

### A Stephen Minister is . . .

- ◆ A child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting
- ◆ A congregation member with gifts for caregiving who is carefully selected to serve
- ◆ A lay person who has received training to provide emotional and spiritual care
- ◆ A caring, Christian friend who listens, cares, prays, supports, encourages
- ◆ Someone who will “be there” for his/her care receiver, meeting faithfully for an hour each week, as long as there is a need

For more information on **Stephen Ministry**, please **contact Gerrie Watson**, [info@gerriewatsonccim.com](mailto:info@gerriewatsonccim.com), or **843-424-9965**.

### FUMC Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8AM – 3:30PM

**Construction Volunteers needed (no experience necessary!)**

We will be installing vinyl siding at 147 Hopes Crossing Court, Conway. Training is provided. **Must be at least 16 years old. To sign up**, go to [www.habitatmb.org](http://www.habitatmb.org), then click on:

- Get Involved
- Construction Volunteers
- Sign Up Today
- 147 Hopes Crossing



Sign up online to ensure your slot and to receive notification of weather cancellations.




### COAT DRIVE to benefit HELP4KIDS

Sunday, Oct 18th

Help us reach our Goal of 500 coats for ages K - 12th Grade  
Drop off new or “like new” coats in the church office.  
For info, contact Julia Brooks, [jbrooks@fumcmb.org](mailto:jbrooks@fumcmb.org).

UM Youth Fellowship:  
Youth activities...

**Sept 20: 5:30PM** Parent Meeting @ 925  
(Youth are welcome)  
**6:30PM YOUTH KICKOFF @ 925**  
Devotion & Fun Plaza Arcade

**Sept 23: 7:00AM** Prayer Breakfast  
Jr/Sr High   
Southern House of Pancakes

**Sept 25: 5:30PM** Seahawk Kickoff **TAILGATE**  
Lady Seahawk Softball Field  
Youth, Family & Church folks



**Holy Baptism**

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered on September 13, 2020 to **Trystan-Chayce Maverick Aitcheson**, son of Renisha Smart and Alex Aitcheson, in 11AM worship by Rev. Dr. George K. Howle.



**New Member**

We welcome **Lisa Sawicki** who joined First Church during 11AM worship on September 13, 2020, by transfer of membership.




**THE UPPER ROOM DEVOTION** books for September/October are available to pick up from the church office during office hours or in the Sanctuary Narthex on Sundays.



**CDM FUNDRAISER**

**\$20 Attractions Coupon Books**

All money raised will benefit CDM teachers. Please purchase from CDM or contact **Cindy Johnson, 843-692-9272** or **cdmathebeach@aol.com**. Thank you for your support!

 **FUMC Children's Choirs and Hand Bells start Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 23rd in the Wesley Building** (please enter through the main door). All children ages 5 years old and older are welcome.

**HCS/COVID-19 guidelines will be followed. MASK, DISTANCING AND HAND SANITIZER REQUIRED; no sharing.**

Children's Choir Director is **Eve Harris**.  
Hand Bell Director is **Jayne Smith**.

**No singing/No sharing** during rehearsals, only the use of **percussion instruments in assigned packets. Chimes and Hand Bells** will be played as assigned.

**CHOIR SCHEDULES:**

3:45-4:15PM K-1st grade (Cherub Choir)  
3:45-4:15PM 2nd-5th grades (Hand Bells)  
4:15-5:00PM 2nd-5th grades (TBD rehearsal)

**HAND BELL SCHEDULES:**

3:15-3:40PM 2nd-5th grades (Children's Choir)  
3:15-3:40PM K-1st grade (Hand Chimes)



**Gifts as of 9/13/2020 (includes online giving):**

Giving Week of:	\$ 15,706
Giving YTD:	\$ 894,585
Expenses YTD:	\$ 1,047,711
Difference YTD:	- \$ 153,125
<b>Add PPP Loan (to be forgiven):</b>	<b>\$ 130,935</b>
<b>Adjusted Difference YTD:</b>	<b>- \$ 22,190</b>

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

**Presence 9/13/2020**

◆ Worship:	125
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	1,101
◆ All Social Media:	3,700
◆ Sunday School:	Meeting online

**First Church Thrift Store—CLOSED during COVID-19**

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

## *Happening This Week*

### **SUNDAY, September 20, 2020**

**NO Nursery, Communion  
or Sunday School**

8:30AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**  
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE 8:30

11:00AM **Traditional/Blended Worship**  
SANCTUARY

5:00PM **Nominations Committee**  
OFFICE/2nd FLOOR

**IN PERSON**

**MASK & DISTANCING, please**

### **MONDAY, September 21**

8-5:00PM **CHURCH OFFICE OPEN**  
MASK & DISTANCING

3:00PM **Knit One Group** PARLOR

### **TUESDAY, September 22**

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

### **WEDNESDAY, September 23**

7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**  
PRAYER ROOM

3:15PM **Children's Choir/Bells**  
WESLEY BUILDING



The circular window behind the chancel is divided into four equal sections by the arms of the Latin Cross. These symbols represent the four Gospel

writers. The vision of Ezekiel 1:5, 10 '... out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures ... as for the likeness of their faces, the four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion ... the face of an ox ... the face of an eagle ... ' was interpreted as referring to the four evangelists.

Upper Left—**Winged Man**, St. Matthew's Gospel, emphasizes the human side of Jesus' life; the Wings—a divine mission. The scroll (in each frame) is representative of a writer.

Lower Left—**Winged Lion** (St. Mark) suggests the vigor, courage, and kingly quality of the life of our Lord.

Lower Right—**Winged Ox** (St. Luke), represents the sacrificial animal accepted in early Christian writings as a symbol for Christ, the true sacrifice.

Upper Right—**Winged Eagle** (St. John) soars upward in his contemplation of the divine nature of the Savior.

**Latin Cross**—one of the oldest Christian forms extends beyond the Circle, seen as the symbol for Christ's sacrifice.

*Given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard H. Hussey, Sr. in honor of our children, Rick, Linda, Helen, Brooks, Lydia, and Michael.*