



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

The Steeple ■ September 5, 2021

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30AM* Traditional, Sanctuary

11:00AM* Contemporary, Wesley Worship Center

11:00AM Traditional, Sanctuary

*also Facebook Live-stream

NO MONDAY WORSHIP

Labor Day Holiday



POLICE ◊ EMS ◊ FIRE

FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION

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

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."

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! Worship Committee

Did you know that one responsibility of the Worship Committee is beautifying the worship spaces? New paraments were recently purchased including altar, pulpit, and bible cloths, as well as vestments (minister stoles). Committee volunteers decorate for special occasions such as Christmas and Easter. Lovely banners for the Sanctuary and Chapel are made and maintained by committee volunteers. The care of and maintenance of Acolyte robes is included in this ministry. Interested volunteers may **contact Rhonda Singleton**, rsingle@sccoast.net.

Bible Study



A short-term, weekly **Study** on the **Book of Matthew** will be led by **Rev. Bob Dunn** beginning **Tuesday, September 7th at 11:00AM** in the **Chapel**. Read from your Bible and prepare for discussions on the first Gospel of the New Testament. The Study is open to all who are interested.



UMVIM in support of Haiti Earthquake Recovery Plan

The recent Haiti earthquake was a direct hit on the Jeremie region. Derial Ogburn, Chair of UMVIM/SC (volunteers in missions), asks for churches to pray and to **help provide tarps and monetary donations** to assist in Haiti earthquake recovery efforts. **Tarps may be dropped off to the church office** during office hours. **Checks** may be made **payable to UMCSC Conference** with a memo, "**Haiti Relief**". Thank you for your prayers and generosity.



September 12th is Welcome Back! Sunday

Guest speaker, former First Church pastor, **Rev. Bill Bouknight III**.

Fellowship outside between services with pastries and coffee on the front lawn and in front of the Wesley Worship Center.

Sunday Evenings—Main Campus (Wesley Bldg): Meal pricing: \$7/person; \$20/family

4:15PM Children's Choirs and Hand Bells

5:00PM Family Dinner

5:45PM Programs for Adults and Children

Monday Nights—North Campus (9/13/21)

5:00PM Dinner; Worship 5:45PM

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Face the future with Hope. DO NOT fear. I am always there for you." ~ *The Bible*

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

Sep 6	Genesis 24:22-25
Sep 7	2 Corinthians 8:8-12
Sep 8	Luke 14:7-11
Sep 9	Joshua 1:1-9
Sep 10	John 14:25-27
Sep 11	Mark 2:13-17
Sep 12	Luke 7:36-50

*Uniform Series

Int'l Lesson Series: Luke 7:36-50; Mark 2:13-17

"Being Bold to Join"

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	Sonshine 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 SEPTEMBER

Helping Hand welcomes our assistance!
All non-perishable food items are welcome.



Canned Soups
Ramen Noodles
Pork & Beans
1-LB Bags of Rice
Packets of Oatmeal
Packets of Grits

Canned Vegetables
Boxed Mac & Cheese
Canned Fruit
Canned Meats: Tuna/Chili/
Spam/Vienna Sausage/
Beef Stew

Canned Pasta: Beefaroni/Spaghetti
Peanut Butter (small jars)
Jelly (small jars)
Toothbrushes/Toothpaste
Razors
Small Deodorant

IN REMEMBRANCE

Irene Chestnut Garrison

June 23, 1932—August 17, 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 **Gene and Rhonda Singleton** and family on the passing of Gene's brother, **Danny Singleton**, on September 1, 2021, in Conway SC.



Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Wednesday, September 8th, 11:30AM at Magnolia's, upstairs

Seeking families, couples or individuals to read for Advent

Yes, it is only September, but Advent will be here before we know it! Volunteer readers are needed for all 3 Sunday services on Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, and 19 as well as Christmas Eve services at Noon, 5PM, 7PM, and 11PM. If you would like take part this Advent season, please contact Jennifer Hupko at **843-448-7164** or hupko@fumcmb.org. Thank you in advance for your help!



The **Good Grief Group** for ladies who are widows meet for lunch on **Wednesday, September 15th, 11:00AM at Friendly's Restaurant**, 4705 N. Kings Hwy, MB. **Please RSVP** to Suzie Wheeler, **843-424-6323**.

Monday Night Worship support needed! Our newest worship experience on the North Campus is going well. As part of our "Welcome Back!" restart, Pastor George asks for 25-30 members to prayerfully consider making a **commitment** to faithfully attend **Monday Worship at 5:45PM from now through December**. Your presence will be a present to the community!

REALM is coming! Mobile App features *(continued)*—Contact People



Connect with those who need it most. Realm's mobile app makes it possible to go one step beyond looking up information. When you find the person you want to contact, you can simply tap on his or her contact information to initiate contact immediately, whether it is a phone call, a text, or an email. It's convenient, and you don't have to memorize phone numbers and email addresses.

Realm training will be available as we near program roll-out soon!



Youth Schedule...

- Sept 5: NO YOUTH**—Happy Labor Day!
Sept 8: 7:00AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
 Southern House of Pancakes (\$7)
Sep 12: 5:15-7PM Youth @ North Campus

ATTENTION UMYF YOUTH AND PARENTS:

If you **need paperwork** to complete for your youth and/or **need weekly emails** from fumc.myfouth@gmail.com, **please contact** Chad 843-458-5446, Grant 843-450-0514, or Melody 585-770-4183 so that we can make arrangements to provide paperwork and obtain email addresses. Thank you!



“Helping Kids feel better to heal better.”
Case for Smiles seeks to meet their September goal of 55,000 pillowcases (equivalent of 26 miles). Patterns available in the church office or Sanctuary Narthex. Questions? Please **contact Linda Dunn**, Ldunn58@live.com. Info at caseforsmiles.org. monetary donations also accepted.



- Sept 12**—Welcome Back! Sunday Family Dinner & Programs
Sept 13—Monday Night Worship Family Dinner & Programs
Oct 3—World Communion Sunday
Oct 17—Children’s Sabbath

FIRST ACADEMY FUNDRAISER



Tennessee Collier Circle’s fundraiser will benefit First UM Academy. A family meal (for purchase) is offered with homemade **Taco Soup (beef), Corn Muffins, and Cookies**. Containers will be appropriate for freezing; several sizes available. **Orders may be placed from Sept. 5-Oct. 3** and ready to pick up on **Oct. 10** in the church Kitchen, Wesley Bldg. **Order forms** are located in labeled baskets in the church office, Sanctuary Narthex, and Contemporary Worship. **Orders with payment** may be delivered to the church office by **Oct. 3rd**; cash or check (payable to Tennessee Collier Circle).



First United Methodist Academy
 Open Kindergarten Registration
www.fumamb.org

ACADEMY BOOK DRIVE

The Academy requests donations of children’s books—new or used—to benefit the Academy.

Books may be deposited in the labeled bins in the Sanctuary Narthex as well as the Wesley Worship Center entrance.
 Thank you for all contributions!

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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Financials and Attendance

Gifts as of 8/29/2021 (includes online giving):

Giving Week of:	\$ 24,370
Giving YTD:	\$ 936,825
Expenses YTD:	\$ 1,140,418
Difference YTD:	- \$ 203,593

Expenses include weekly apportionments & direct billing.

Presence 8/29/2021

◆ Worship:	229
◆ Fox TV (June)	900
◆ Worship Facebook/Web:	744
◆ All Social Media:	2,135
◆ Sunday School:	96

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

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Phone: 843-448-7164 Email: office@fumcmb.org Website: www.fumcmb.org
 Become a Fan: www.facebook.com/FUMCMB Instagram: [firstchurchmb](https://www.instagram.com/firstchurchmb)

Request emailed **Steeple: thesteeple@fumcmb.org** Televised Worship, Sunday mornings—10AM, FOX Channel 7

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, September 5, 2021

Nursery unavailable

- 8:30AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY | FACEBOOK LIVE
- 9:45AM **Sunday School—All Ages**
- 11:00AM **Contemporary Worship**
WESLEY WORSHIP CTR | FACEBOOK
- 11:00AM **Traditional Worship**
SANCTUARY

MONDAY, September 6

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Thrift Store CLOSED

TUESDAY, September 7

- 9:00AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLOOR
- 11:00AM **Book Study** CHAPEL
- 3:00PM **UMW Exec Board Mtg** PARLOR
- 4:00PM **UMW General Mtg** CHAPEL
- 5:00PM **UMW Light Supper** PARLOR
- 6:00PM **Cloister Circle** MEMBER HOME

WEDNESDAY, September 8

- 7:00AM **Youth Breakfast/Devo** (\$7)
SOUTHERN HOUSE OF PANCAKES
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 11:30AM **Ladies Lunch/Devo**
MAGNOLIA'S at 26th, upstairs
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BUILDING
- 5:30PM **Worship Mtg** OFC-2nd FLOOR
- 6:00PM **F3-Faith Family Fitness**
NORTH CAMPUS
- 6:30PM **Adult Chancel Choir**
MUSIC CENTER

THURSDAY, September 9

- 10:00AM **Thrift Store Open**
- 6:00PM **Living Free** BRITAIN FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY, September 10

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

SATURDAY, September 11

- 9-11AM **Choir & Handbells Rehearsal**
SANCTUARY

**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 AUGUST 2021 BULLETIN**

IN MEMORY OF:

John Brittain

Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Dottie Elsea (TV Ministry)
Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Rock & Donna Smith (Children's Ministry)

Mary Clark

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Dorothy Huggins (TV Ministry)
Dr. & Mrs. Charles Strauss (TV Ministry)
James & Beth Rozier (TV Ministry)
Susan Guinn (TV Ministry)
Judy & Tom Winn (TV Ministry)
Chuck & Susan Salley (TV Ministry)
Joanne Herring (TV Ministry)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Brittain Fellowship Class (TV Ministry)
Dr. & Mrs. Donald Eagerton (TV Ministry)
Tennessee Collier Circle (TV Ministry)
Lynwood & Lala Lewis (TV Ministry)
Karen Schendel (TV Ministry)
Carmen Springs (TV Ministry)
Rhonda & Tom Slavish (TV Ministry)
Jay & Suzanne Haar (TV Ministry)
Joy Dressler (TV Ministry)
The Psalms Group Bible Study (TV Ministry)
Sandy Springs (TV Ministry)
Joanne & Thomas Gaines (TV Ministry)
EmilyAnn Skews (TV Ministry)
Pete & Jo Pearce (TV Ministry)
Jean & Mike Hussey (TV Ministry)
Martha Stanton (TV Ministry)
Mildred Ragan (TV Ministry)
Rebecca Laffitte (TV Ministry)
Baptist Healthcare System of SC (TV Ministry)
Randy & Ernestine Gravely (TV Ministry)
Shirley Teaster (TV Ministry)
Joye & Stan Harpe (TV Ministry)
Ruell & Deborah Hicks (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Gene & Rhonda Singleton (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Joy Taylor (Chancel Choir)
Bobby & Ann Anderson (Music Fund)
Bubba & Bleeker Cannon (Music Fund)
Roselle Williamson (Music Fund)
Bill & Kathy Rodwell (Music Fund)
Cecelia Shaw (Memorial Fund)
Rock & Donna Smith (Children's Ministry)

Charles Gardiner

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Charles Hinson

Karen & Tom Ligon (Memorial Fund)
Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Rock & Donna Smith (Children's Ministry)

Leatrice Joy Marshall

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Neil McKnight

Ruell & Deborah Hicks (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Lynwood & Lala Lewis (TV Ministry)
Dennis & Cynthia Gordon (Music Fund)
Harold & Brenda Barron (Music Fund)
Rock & Donna Smith (Music Fund)

Peggy Sansbury

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Steven Seymore

Susan Guinn (TV Ministry)

Claude Shuler

Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Wilson Springs

Lynwood & Lala Lewis (TV Ministry)

Charlie Suggs

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Donnie Todd

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)
Jay & Suzanne Haar (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Tom & Judy Winn (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Gene & Rhonda Singleton (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Emily Ann Skews (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Harold & Brenda Barron (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)
Susan Guinn (TV Ministry)
Brittain Fellowship Class (TV Ministry)
Mary Reed (TV Ministry)
Lynwood & Lala Lewis (TV Ministry)
Frank & Harriet Clark (TV Ministry)
Rhonda & Tom Slavish (TV Ministry)
Carmen Springs (TV Ministry)
Sandy Springs (TV Ministry)
Open Doors (TV Ministry)
Pete & Jo Pearce (TV Ministry)
Jean & Mike Hussey (TV Ministry)
Martha Stanton (TV Ministry)
Dottie Elsea (TV Ministry)
Randy & Ernestine Gravely (TV Ministry)
Cecelia Shaw (Memorial Fund)
Neil & Donna Trask (Memorial Fund)
Bruce & Peggy Schaefer (Memorial Fund)
Jody Squires (Memorial Fund)
Carl & Phyllis Townsend (Memorial Fund)
The Dunes Golf & Beach Club (Memorial Fund)
Gerodie Livingston (Memorial Fund)
Michael Saville (Memorial Fund)
Larry & Linda Gates (Memorial Fund)
Marva Lackey (Memorial Fund)
Glenda Roquemore (Memorial Fund)
Dennis & Sarah Strickland (Memorial Fund)
David & Tammy Clardy (Memorial Fund)
Mr. & Mrs. W.C. Brandon (Memorial Fund)
CNB Officers & Employees (Memorial Fund)
Jerry & Judy Rogers (Memorial Fund)
Isla Murray (Memorial Fund)
James & Beth Rozier (Memorial Fund)
Michael & Linda Paulk (Memorial Fund)

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IN MEMORY OF ((continued):

Donnie Todd

Freddie & Nancy Moore (Memorial Fund)

Vickie Byrd (Memorial Fund)

Joy Taylor (Chancel Choir)

Bobby & Ann Anderson (Music Fund)

Bubba & Bleeker Cannon (Music Fund)

Bill & Kathy Rodwell (Music Fund)

Sharri Hammond (Youth Fund)

Rock & Donna Smith (Children's Ministry)

Needham Williamson

Dorothy Huggins (TV Ministry)

IN HONOR OF:

Carter Dudley Robinson

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Willa Wrenn

Lynwood & Lala Lewis (TV Ministry)

Dear First Church Family,

September 1, 2021

I am so excited about what lies ahead for our church! For those who don't know me, I am Gene's wife, mom to Duncan and Winn, a member of First Church since 1985, and a retired teacher with a passion to grow our family of faith – who didn't want a job! Now, I find myself the “Volunteer Coordinator” for our church. Reverend George sure is persuasive! I certainly need everyone's prayer and assistance.

The past couple of years have been quite difficult for keeping our church family together, and I have been in prayer about how to pull our congregation back together to avoid extinction! That is why I eventually gave in to the idea of this part-time job. It is time for us all to pull together to strengthen and grow this family. We are called to BE the church; therefore, I will be calling on you to step up, honoring the vows we made to uphold our congregation with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and, maybe most importantly, our service! While we **all can't do everything, everyone can do something.**

This is where you come into service. You will have the opportunity to serve in ways that help our church function and grow. It is my prayer that through service to our church we will strengthen our faith and our community, becoming a more caring congregation. Please prayerfully consider what YOU can do to strengthen our community of faith and grow our church. For those who have already stepped up to work on behalf of First Church, I thank you. For those we have yet to call, I look forward to hearing HOW you can best serve. I will be reaching out to everyone as we build our serving teams. I covet your prayers, participation, and support.

Blessings,
Rhonda Singleton