



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ April 14, 2024

10:00AM* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM^ Contemporary Worship

Wesley Worship Ctr

*Facebook livestreamed ^YouTube livestreamed



WELCOME

We are blessed to have you with us in worship this day!

Our mission: "Follow Jesus and Share Him with Others!"

Gather—Grow—Give—Go!

Order of Worship

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We lift up prayers for the nation, our community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

Prelude "I Am Thine, O Lord" arr. Bober
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace Rev. Joel McMakin

* **Chiming of the Trinity**

* **Opening Hymn** "Holy, Holy, Holy" UMH #64

* **Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Jim Creel, Jr. | UMH #881
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* **The Gloria Patri** UMH #70

Children's Message Harriet Clark
(Following, children ages 4 years to 1st grade, may be dismissed to Children's Church. Parents may pick up children after worship in room 102, Wesley Bldg.)

Scripture Reading Acts 3:13-21 Gae Riddleberger
Pew Bible NT pg. 113

Anthem "I Love You Lord / My Jesus I Love Thee" arr. Pethel

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Creel

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings
(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time. Please register attendance.)

Offertory "2 Etudes" Andrés

* **The Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Creel

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* Hymn of Preparation	“When We Walk With the Lord”	UMH #467
Scripture	James 2:14-26	<i>Pew Bible NT, pg. 216</i>
Sermon	“Journey With James: Faith Without Works is Dead”	Rev. McMakin
New Member Reception	<i>Robert Gingras Morgan and Sonya Martin Jackie and Mary Alice Stokes</i>	UMH #33
* Closing Hymn	“I Am Thine, O Lord”	UMH #419
* Benediction & Meal Blessing		Rev. McMakin
* Postlude	“Holy, Holy, Holy”	arr. Lowe

(* *Please stand as you are able.*)

Welcome

We are blessed to welcome everyone today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ together in worship.

Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew to **register your attendance. Members may check-in on the Realm app on their mobile device.**

Worship aids available. Please inquire with an usher for hearing devices, large print hymnals, and children’s Wiggle Bags.

Sunday School for all ages—4 through adult—9:00 to 9:45AM.

Nursery (infants and toddlers) is offered during Sunday school and worship in Wesley Building **rooms 101 and 106.**

Children’s Church is offered in Wesley room 102 for children ages 4 through first grade during worship. **First time parents, please accompany your child/children after the children’s message in worship to check in.**

The **flowers** in worship today are given for the glory of God and in memory of Wilson Springs, Sr. from the family.

Worship flowers are needed for May 19; July 7, 28. To reserve one of these dates or a future date to place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Trisha Tuite in the church office, trisha@fumcmb.org or 843-448-7164.

Virtual worship opportunities may be found on Facebook (fumcmb), on our website (www.fumcmb.org), on the mobile app (fumc mb), or Sundays at 10AM on WFXB (FOX TV7), and on YouTube (@firstchurch6363).

Serving in Worship

GREETERS—APRIL

Front Entrance Pat and Barry Thigpen

Office Entrance Nita Letts

Broadway Entrance Jean Hussey

USHERS—APRIL

Preston Bowers: Jackson Bowers, Neal Bowers, Clark Butler, Gene Butler, Tracy Conner, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan, Zachary McMillan, Dudley Robinson, Mark Sturzenbecker, Will Sturzenbecker

ACOLYTE TBD

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO Melinda Morgan



Monthly Mission—APRIL



Race Path Community Center/Phoenix Renaissance is a 501c3 non-profit organization located in Myrtle Beach providing an after school program in a safe and loving environment. Race Path also conducts Summer Camp for children who otherwise would not have the opportunity to enjoy such outings. They also host a food pantry monthly for the community.

In preparing their summer outings, Race Path needs volunteers to chaperone the children on these outings. Young adults (14 yrs and older) are welcome to chaperone. Van drivers (16-passenger vans) are needed for transportation. **Contact Carolyn Hemmingway**, 843-286-3159.

Current Needs: Paper towels, toilet paper, breakfast items (individual cereals, fruit cups, pop tarts, wrapped snack items).

Collection bins are located in the church office and all worship entrances.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Dennis Ruby
September 19, 1943—March 31, 2024

“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 **Sheila Pyle** and family on the passing of her mother, **Myrtle Rowe**, on April 8, 2024 in Hemingway, SC.

2024 Bible Lectionary Reading Plan

Week 15 (4/14/24): Acts 3, Luke 24, 1 John 3, Psalm 4, Deuteronomy 18

The **Wednesday Bible Study** meets at **1:30PM in the 925**. We are studying the book of **Genesis, chapters 7, 8, and 9**. All are welcome to join us.
mdlouk@umcsc.org

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"If you can find something to be grateful for, then you can find something to look forward to; then, you can carry on." ~ Michael J. Fox, activist/actor

First Church Weekly Readings:*

First Church invites you to follow this weekly Scripture lesson reading plan.

April 15 Joel 3:4-6; Zechariah 9:1-4
April 16 Matthew 8:5-13
April 17 Ruth 1
April 18 2 Kings 5:1-19
April 19 Amos 9:7-12
April 20 Philippians 2:1-11
April 21 Matthew 15:21-28

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series
"A Gentile Woman's Great Faith"
Matthew 15:1-39; Mark 7:24-30

Sunday School Classes

Children's Classes (Wesley Bldg)
Infants to 12 months W-101
Toddlers-1 to 3 yr olds W-106
4 yrs to Pre-K W-102
K & 1st grades W-202
2nd & 3rd grades W-204
4th & 5th grades W-203

Youth Classes
6th-12th Grades Sonshine House

Adult Classes (W=Wesley; A=Asbury)
Ark The 925
Brittain Fellowship A-101
New Creation A-203
MD Moore* W-105
Open Doors* W-103
Open Fellowship* A-104
Seekers A-207



TODAY, APRIL 14th — BRING A FRIEND!

Spread the news and **invite a friend, neighbor, or family member** to join you for **9AM Sunday school and 10AM worship**. Following worship, join us for a time of fellowship and enjoy a **cookout on the front lawn with inflatables** for the children!

Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up.

Please call the church office, 843-448-7164, to help Jim Lewis.



Church Council Meeting

Monday, April 15th at 6:00PM in the Chapel.

All leadership chairs are strongly urged to attend.

The meeting is open to everyone.



The **bus station demolition** on the inside has begun. The tear-down of the building will commence once the demo permit is issued to include grinding all the brick and concrete. The **estimated time to complete this project is at least 2 months or longer.**

Due to safety and liability issues, no parking will be allowed during the 4

days of CCMF, June 6-9. The parking lot will be roped off to members and the public during the festival (except for Sunday services).



VBS IS COMING!

**Ages 3 years to 5th grade
July 8th-11th from 5:45-8PM**

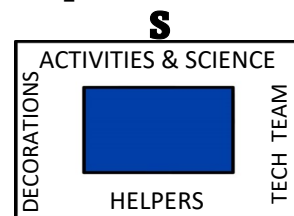
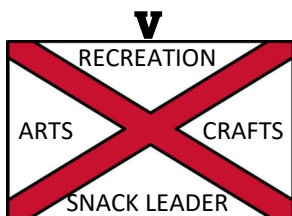
AND

Sunday, July 14th—Family Picnic

**REGISTER NOW
ONLINE
scan this QR code**



Our children need your help!





4/14 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 4/17 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-Fil-a, Seaboard
 4/21 10AM Youth Sunday, Traditional service
 4/21 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 5/19 Graduation Sunday

6/23-28 Look Up Lodge, Travelers Rest, SC—5 spots remain available
 Cost is \$359*/student; payment due at reservation
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfSNJXE0Uf_s0MyXljiWNwNjQu_affgUctBPnS5rUQy9vFKYA/viewform
 7/13-20 Salkehatchie Mission Trip, Columbia, SC
 Cost is \$250*/student; \$100 deposit due at registration;
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfpcTaAmLxjbNsBOIR5rqtD5N7EYxe08iRZpU3uqNePth8ZQ/viewform>
 *Financial aid scholarships available. Contact derek@fumcmb.org



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EVENTS

Sunday, April 14th

10AM Special "Girls Gratitude" class (after children's time in worship)
 All girls ages 1st thru 5th grades are invited to work on a special project in room 203 of the Wesley Building.

Vacation Bible School on July 8-11, 5:45PM-8PM—"Set Sail" with Paul.
 All children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to register online at <https://www.fumcmb.org/vbs.html>.

Children's Sunday, July 14th, 10AM followed by a picnic and inflatables on the front lawn of the church.



Thanks for Your Support!

Give electronically with a cell phone. **Scan the QR** code below with your phone's camera, then tap the link at the top of the screen to open VENMO to give.



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Financials and Attendance

As of 4/7/2024 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of: **\$ 34,612**
 Total Revenue YTD: **\$ 441,604**
 Total Expenses YTD: **\$ 473,303**
 Difference YTD: **- \$ 31,699**

Expenses include monthly apportionments and direct billing.


MISSIONS IMPACT 2024

Faith Promise: **\$ 106,135**
Faith Promise Receipts: **\$ 36,781**


Presence 4/7/2024

◆ Worship in person: **375**
 ◆ Worship online: **888**
 ◆ Fox TV & promos (Feb. mo. est): **19,090**
 ◆ Social Media impressions: **5,245**
 ◆ Sunday School: **141**

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

CALLING ALL PARENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS!  Our high school and college **graduating seniors** will be acknowledged on **Sunday, May 19th** for their great achievements. Please **email your student's information by April 28th to Derek**, derek@fumcmb.org, or call 843-448-7164. Please provide the student's full name, high school, college, planned study, degree, or other path.

 **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets monthly on the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 2PM in the Parlor** to share ideas and pray together over the shawls. Please join us!

MOMCo (formerly MOPS) meets on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9:30AM in the Wesley Hall for Bible study and fellowship**. All mothers with preschoolers are welcome. Child care is available. **To volunteer, call Barbara Cherry, 301-379-5055.**  THE MOMCO BY MOPS INTERNATIONAL

NEW EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS COMING REAL SOON!  The **weekly Steeple email** on Thursday mornings and all other email communications will change to a **new program format**. Electronic improvements and the need for **more effective, updated communications** will improve the current process. Watch your email Inbox for the **roll-out in the coming weeks from "First Methodist Myrtle Beach"**.

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, April 14, 2024

- 8:30AM-- **Nursery & Toddlers** WESLEY CTR
- 11:15AM
- 9:00AM **Sunday School** ALL AGES
- 9:00AM **Confirmation Class** SONSHINE HOUSE
- 10:00AM **Traditional Worship*** SANCTUARY *Facebook
- 10:00AM **Contemporary Worship^** WESLEY CTR ^YouTube
- 11:15AM **Picnic on the Front Lawn**
- 5:15PM **Youth Group** N CAMPUS

MONDAY, April 15

- 10:30AM **Sonshiners** THE 925
- 2:00PM **Prayer Shawl Ministry** PARLOR
- 3:00PM **Grief Group** ASBURY #104
- 5:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal** WESLEY BLDG
- 6:00PM **Church Council Mtg** CHAPEL

TUESDAY, April 16

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR

WEDNESDAY, April 17

- 7:30AM **Youth Prayer Breakfast** CHICK-FIL-A, Seaboard St.
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group** PRAYER ROOM
- 9:30AM **MOMCo** WESLEY HALL
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal** WESLEY BLDG
- 1:30PM **Bible Study** THE 925
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir** THE CHAPEL

THURSDAY, April 18

- 10:00AM **Caregivers Group** PARLOR
- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL

Looking Ahead!

- 4/21 Youth Sunday
- 5/1 Spring Renewal
- 5/5 GS Miracle League Buddy Day
- 5/11 Habitat Work Day
- 5/19 Senior/CDM grad. Sunday
- 6/2 Confirmation Sunday
- 6/23-28 Look Up Lodge, Youth
- 7/8-11 Vacation Bible School
- 7/13-20 Salkehatchie
- 8/10 Yard Sale, FMC Women
- 8/17 Back to School Bash/Shoes

Ministers

Rev. Joel W. McMakin, Senior Pastor Rev. Michelle D. Louk, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jim Creel, Jr., Associate Pastor, Spiritual Formation
Rev. Thomas N. Brittain, Pastor Emeritus

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