



The Steeple April 28, 2024

10:00AM* Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM^ Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Ctr

*Facebook livestreamed ^YouTube livestreamed

A United Methodist Congregation

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

5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 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 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" arr. Berry
(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** "God of Grace, and God of Glory" UMH #577

* **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 Pastor Donna
(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 Psalm 71:1-16 Roger Hodges
Pew Bible OT pg. 503

Anthem "Walk Worthy" arr. Martin

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 "God of Grace and God of Glory" arr. Berry

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

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Creel

(Continued on the next page.)

* Hymn of Preparation	“Living for Jesus”	TFWS#2149
Scripture	James 4:1-10	<i>Pew Bible NT, pg. 216</i>
Sermon	“Journey With James: Humble Yourself Before the Lord”	Rev. McMakin
* Closing Hymn	“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”	UMH #514
* Benediction		Rev. McMakin
* Postlude	“Rondo”	Young

(* *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 see 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 in worship, 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 celebration of the anniversary of Ida and Davis Hussey.

Worship flowers are needed for May 19; July 7, 14, 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 (fumcmb), 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

CHILDREN’S CHURCH Meghan Nesmith, Michelle Sturzenbecker

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.

Condolences—The pastors, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Dorothy Huggins** and family on the recent passing of her son, **Charles B. Huggins, Jr.**, in Mt. Zion, SC.



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 achievements.

Please **email your student's information by TODAY, 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.



2024 Bible Lectionary Reading Plan

Week 17 (4/28/24): Acts 8, John 15, 1 John 4, Psalm 22, Exodus 20

The **Wednesday Bible Study meets** on Wednesday, **May 1st at 1:30PM in the 925**. Join us as we study in the book of **Genesis, chapters 10, 11, 12**. All are welcome. mdlouk@umcsc.org

Big Tom's "A Quote"

"Heavenly Father, help us to remember that you are here to help us. All we need to do is ask."
~ Kim Koratsky, Upper Room contributor

International Lesson Series

Bible Study for Sunday School classes includes the following weekly lesson reading plan.

April 29	Proverbs 3:13-18
April 30	Proverbs 8:32-36
May 1	Psalm 19:7-14
May 2	Psalm 119:1-16
May 3	John 8:31-36
May 4	John 18:33-38
May 5	John 14:1-14

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series
"The Way, the Truth, the Life"
John 13:31-14:31

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

THIS WEDNESDAY

SPRING RENEWAL 2024

Surrender

MATTHEW 6:10

A night of worship through music, prayer and scripture.

MAY 1
6:30-8:00
WESLEY HALL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — July 8-11th
Ages 3 years to 5th grade (just completed)
5:45-8PM & Sunday, July 14th—Family Picnic

RECREATION
ARTS & CRAFTS
SCIENCE ACTIVITIES
STORIES & SKITS

GROUP LEADERS
SOCIAL MEDIA STORYTELLER
SNACK LEADER
HELPERS

SETSAIL!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Youth AND Adult

REGISTER NOW ONLINE
scan this QR code

DO YOU LOVE CHILDREN & YOUTH?
SIGN UP TO TEACH A SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
AND BE BLESSED BY THEM!

Offer your time, love, faith, and support during the summer as a substitute teacher for one or more Sundays. Materials are supplied. Summer classes are in three groups: **PreK-1st graders**; **2nd-4th graders**; **6th-12 graders**
For more information, email or call Pastor Donna, donna@fumcmb.org or Derek, derek@fumcmb.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

GRAND STRAND MIRACLE LEAGUES

Grand Strand Miracle League "Buddy Day" | Sat, May 4th

If you want to experience pure joy, join us for this event at 9AM to be a buddy at the **James C. Benton League Field, 690 33rd Ave N, Myrtle Beach**. We need all the happy people we can get. Be prepared to have fun. See you there!

FUMC Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day
Saturday, May 11th from 8AM-3:30PM
Lunch provided by Missions Committee
Must be 18+ or 16 with guardian

To sign up: <https://www.habitatmb.org/> and select: Volunteer / Construction Volunteers / "Start Now" Scroll to May 11 and register.

Habitat for Humanity of Horry County

Child Development Ministry
OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BIG THANKS to all church members **for supporting our Scholastic Book Fair and Bunny Breakfast** in March. The rain held off just long enough for all of the children to enjoy the egg hunt on the CDM front lawn !

The 4-year-olds and 4K teachers are busy preparing for our **graduation ceremonies in May**. CDM families will be included in Graduation Sunday celebrations at First Church on **May 19th in the Sanctuary**.



4/28 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 5/1 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-fil-A, Seaboard
 5/5 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 5/19 Graduation Sunday, combined worship, Sanctuary

6/23-28 Look Up Lodge, Travelers Rest, SC—only 3 spots remain
 Cost is \$359*/student; payment due at reservation

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfSNJXE0Uf_s0MyXljWNwNlqu_affgqUctBPnS5rUQy9vFKYA/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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First-time parents, please accompany your child/children after the children's message in worship to check in.

EVENTS

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 www.fumcmb.org/vbs. **Volunteers needed** (see prior page).

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



NEW EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS ARE ACTIVE!

Watch your email Inbox for messages from First Church Myrtle Beach for the revised Steeple email on Thursday mornings. Other church communications will also be sent in similar manner. If you want to enroll to receive emails from the church, go online to the website, www.fumcmb.org, and click the link to "sign up" for the Steeple.



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 4/21/2024 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of: \$ 26,056
 Total Revenue YTD: \$ 501,596
 Total Expenses YTD: \$ 526,112
 Difference YTD: - \$ 24,516

Expenses include monthly apportionments and direct billing.

MISSIONS IMPACT 2024

Faith Promise: \$ 106,135
 Faith Promise Receipts: \$ 37,698

Presence 4/21/2024

◆ Worship in person: 369
 ◆ Worship online: 1,043
 ◆ Fox TV & promos (Mar. mo. est): 19,360
 ◆ Social Media impressions: 7,064
 ◆ Sunday School: 142

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Instagram.com/firstchurchmb

YouTube.com/@firstchurch6363

Request The Steeple via email: thesteeple@fumcmb.org

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



"BIG TOM & FRIENDS"
 first Friday Men's
 Lunch will be **May 3rd**
 at **11:30AM**, **Magnolia's@26th**,
upstairs. Jim Rozier will bring
 the devotion. **All men** of the
 church are **cordially invited**.

**Ladies Lunch
 and Devotion**
 Missi McMakin will
 bring the devotion
 on **Wednesday, May 8th** at
11:30AM at **Magnolia's@26th**,
 upstairs. **Please bring a Bible**.
 All ladies are welcome.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
at CDM—MAY 6-10
 The parents of the CDM
 Advisory Committee are
 preparing for **Teacher
 Appreciation Week** to
**celebrate the amazing
 teachers and staff at CDM**.
 Monetary contributions are
 welcome to go towards warm,
 catered lunches and gift cards
 for the teachers. To donate,
 please **reach out to Cameron
 Wicker** (church member and
 CDM parent)
ccrutch1012@gmail.com.
no later than May 3rd.

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, April 28, 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
- 5:15PM **Youth Group** N CAMPUS

MONDAY, April 29

- 5:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BLDG

TUESDAY, April 30

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** Ofc 2nd FLR
- 2-4PM **Open Doors Tea Party**
PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, May 1

- 7:15AM **Youth Prayer Breakfast**
CHICK-FIL-A, Seaboard St.
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 9:30AM **MOMCo** WESLEY HALL
- 1:30PM **Bible Study** THE 925
- 6:00PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
THE CHAPEL
- 6:30PM **Spring Renewal** WESLEY HALL

THURSDAY, May 2

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

FRIDAY, May 3

- 11:30AM **Big Tom & Friends
 Men's Lunch/Devotion**
 MAGNOLIA'S@26th, upstairs

Looking Ahead!
 5/1 **Spring Renewal**
 5/10 **CDM Muffins for Moms**
 5/19 **Senior/CDM grad. Sunday**
 6/2 **Confirmation Sunday**
 6/14 **CDM Donuts for Dads**
 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**

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

First United Methodist Church Myrtle Beach, 901 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach SC
Church Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday, 8AM-5PM
North Campus: Thomas N. Brittain Center, 904 65th Ave N, Myrtle Beach SC



Missions Committee Report Year-to-date, April 2024

You make a difference in the lives of others, locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. Through your Faith Promise giving, we are able to assist and support the following organizations in helping others.

MISSION SPOTLIGHT: Zoe Empowers, Africa and India (\$9,000). We sponsor the Upendo "Love" Lanyira Group in Kenya, a group of 25 households with 100 children. The Zoe Empowers program enables youth-led families of orphaned and vulnerable children to move beyond the need for charity through: Connections with their peers, community leaders, and government officials; Child Rights education so the children can protect one another; Food Security providing resources and knowledge on agricultural practices; Income Generation training group members in skills and business knowledge to succeed; Health and Disease Prevention teaching basic hygiene practices, nutrition, and health treatments; Housing working with the children to improve their living conditions; Education providing assistance for children to attend community schools; and Spiritual Strengthening to help children learn God's love. Zoe Empowers is an amazing organization for which we can be thankful.

Africa University (\$6,000) providing a scholarship for Teresia Michira, a 20-year-old Kenyan first year student in the B.A. (Honors) Social Work program.

Project Agape, Vayk, Armenia (\$8,000) helping Christians in Armenia learn skills to support themselves and their families in this war-torn country.

Cass Community Social Services, Detroit, MI (\$8,500); as Rev. Fowler informed us during Mission Impact Sunday, CCSS continues to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in Detroit.

Agape Love Box Ministry, Horry County (\$2,000), a local faith-based outreach group providing gift boxes for those in spiritual need that Jesus is with them. FUMC has Agape Love Boxes in the church office to give to individuals needing spiritual uplifting.

Epworth Children's Home Columbia, SC (\$3,500) supporting this Methodist program to help children, youth, and families across South Carolina including Foster Care Training.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Horry County (\$2,500) supporting Suzanne Renfrow's outreach program providing Christian help to area coaches wives.

Gideons International, Grand Strand (\$2,500) bringing the word of God to locals and visitors to the Grand Strand area.

Habitat for Humanity of Horry County (\$5,000) supporting the building of another Faith Build home in Horry County.

Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach (\$6,500) providing assistance in short-term crisis intervention.

Kids International Ministries (\$2,000) supporting the missionary work of Amy Allen with children in the Philippines.

Mobile Meals of Myrtle Beach (\$2,000) providing meals to shut-ins.

New Directions (\$6,500) providing shelter and meals for those in need in Myrtle Beach.

Race Path Community Center, Myrtle Beach (\$4,000) provides after school and summer programs for neighborhood children and a food pantry for those in need in our area.

Together we are making a difference, through your Faith Promise receipts, to do God's work. If you have met your Faith Promise, we thank you. If you are meeting your Promise, please know your continued support is helping outstanding organizations do their work. If you wish to contribute to Missions Fund, you may go online to www.fumcmb.org then to Give/Missions-Faith Promise.

Sincerely,
Scott Bowen, Penny Hale
Co-chairs, Mission Committee

Our Mission is to Know Jesus and to Share Him with Others.