



FIRST CHURCH
MYRTLE BEACH

A United Methodist Congregation

The Steeple ■ April 7, 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

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 7, 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 "How Great Thou Art" arr. Kelsey
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God with meditation and silent prayer.)

Welcome & Passing of the Peace Rev. Michelle Louk

* **Chiming of the Trinity**

* **Opening Hymn** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH #103

* **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

*(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 133 Bob Evans
Pew Bible OT pg. 543

Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Young

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 "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" Handel

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

* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Creel

(Continued on the next page.)

* Hymn of Preparation	“How Great Thou Art”	UMH #77
Scripture	James 1:19-27	<i>Pew Bible NT, pg. 215</i>
Sermon	“Now What?”	Rev. Louk
Service of Word and Table		UMH #12
Communion Reflection		Susan Soehner, <i>piano</i>
	<i>Please feel free to pray at the altar. A communion offering may be left at the altar to benefit Race Path Community.</i>	
* Closing Hymn	“Open My Eyes, that I May See”	UMH #454
* Benediction		Rev. Louk
* Postlude	“Hallelujah Chorus”	Handel

(* 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 appreciation and love for Anne Andrews by her husband, Ron, as they celebrate 34 years of marriage on April 21st, and in memory of Peggy Hanna, Anne’s mother.

Worship flowers are needed for May 19, 26; June 9. 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

COMMUNION STEWARDS: Buddy Styers, Shelby Sansbury, Michelle and Mark Sturzenbecker, Debbie Rose, Dabney Joyner

VIDEO Jim Lewis

AUDIO Scott Bowen



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.



SUNDAY, 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.



2024 Bible Lectionary Reading Plan

Week 14 (4/7/24): Acts 4, John 20, 1 John 1, Psalm 133, Isaiah 28

The **Wednesday Bible Study** meets at **1:30PM in the 925**. We are studying **Genesis, chapters 4, 5, and 6**. All are welcome to join us. mdlouk@umcsc.org



Big Tom's "A Quote"

"No matter what time it is, Jesus' timing is always perfect. Jesus is always present."
~ Pat Dyson, author/Guideposts

First Church Weekly Readings:*

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

April 8	Leviticus 19:18; Deuteronomy 6:4-5
April 9	Matthew 7:12; Luke 6:31
April 10	Luke 10:25-37
April 11	1 John 3:11-17
April 12	1 John 4:1-16
April 13	1 John 4:16-21
April 14	Mark 12:28-34

*Uniform Series International Lesson Series
"The Golden Rule for All"
Matthew 7:12, 2:34-40; Luke 6:31; 10:25-37

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



Ladies Lunch & Devotion

Jan Crews will bring the devotion on **Wednesday, April 10th at 11:30AM** at Magnolia's@26th, upstairs. We encourage all ladies to attend and invite a friend!

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.



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.



The Living Last Supper, Maundy Thursday



Photos by Holly McMillan

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!



Photos by Joel McMakin, Rhonda Singleton, Gene Singleton



4/7 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 4/10 7:15AM Youth Prayer Breakfast, Chick-Fil-a, Seaboard
 4/14 5:15PM Youth Group @ N Campus
 4/21 10AM Youth Sunday, Traditional service
 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_s0MyXljWNwNjqu_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/1FAIpQLSfpcTaAmLxjbNsBOIR5ratD5N7EYxze08iRZpU3uqNePth8ZQ/viewform>

*Financial aid scholarships available. Contact derek@fumcmb.org



Children's Church during worship is offered in Wesley room 102 for children ages 4 thru first grade during worship.

First-time parents, please accompany your child/children after the children's message in worship to **check in**.

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 3/31/2024 (includes online giving):

Contributions week of: \$ 39,767
 Total Revenue YTD: \$ 417,794
 Total Expenses YTD: \$ 468,623
 Difference YTD: - \$ 50,829

Expenses include monthly apportionments and direct billing.

MISSIONS IMPACT 2024

Faith Promise: \$ 106,135
Faith Promise Receipts: \$ 36,131

Presence 3/31/2024

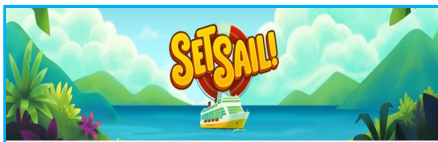
◆ Living Last Supper 260
 ◆ Easter Sunrise 230
 ◆ Worship in person: 774
 ◆ Worship online: 1,109
 ◆ Fox TV & promos (Feb. mo. est): 19,090
 ◆ Social Media impressions: 6,353
 ◆ Sunday School: 110

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



VBS IS COMING!
July 8th-11th from 6-8PM
Ages 3 years to 5th grade
and Sunday, July 14th
Family Picnic

Our children need your help!
 Decorations
 Arts and Crafts helpers
 Story leader and skits
 Recreation and activities
 Science helpers
 Snack leader
 Social Media Storyteller
 Group leaders
 Tech team

Questions? donna@fumcmb.org



NEW EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS
COMING 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"**.

Looking Ahead!

- 4/14 Bring a Friend Sunday
- 4/21 Youth Sunday
- 5/1 Spring Renewal
- 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

Happening This Week

SUNDAY, April 7, 2024

- 8:30AM-- **Nursery & Toddlers** WESLEY CTR
- 11:15AM
- 9:00AM **Sunday School** ALL AGES
- 10:00AM **Traditional Worship***
SANCTUARY *Facebook
- 10:00AM **Contemporary Worship^**
WESLEY CTR ^YouTube
- 5:15PM **Youth Group** N CAMPUS

MONDAY, April 8

- 10:30AM **Sonshiners** WESLEY KITCHEN
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BLDG
- 6:00PM **SPRC Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR

TUESDAY, April 9

- 9:30AM **Staff Meeting** OFC-2nd FLR
- 11:00AM **Tennessee Collier Circle**
COVENANT TOWERS
- 3:00PM **Lautrelle-Merchant Circle**
PARLOR
- 4:00PM **Sister in Service Circle**
MEMBER HOME
- 4:30PM **Missions Committee**
OFC-2nd FLR
- 6:00PM **Cloister Circle** MEMBER HOME

WEDNESDAY, April 10

- 7:30AM **Youth Prayer Breakfast**
CHICK-FIL-A, Seaboard St.
- 7:30AM **Women's Prayer Group**
PRAYER ROOM
- 11:30AM **Ladies Lunch/Devotion**
MAGNOLIA'S@26TH, upstairs
- 1:00PM **Adult Handbell Rehearsal**
WESLEY BLDG
- 1:30PM **Bible Study** THE 925
- 6:30PM **Wesley Chancel Choir**
THE CHAPEL

THURSDAY, April 11

- 5:30PM **Band Rehearsal** WESLEY HALL

FRIDAY, April 12

- 10:30AM **Ann Herbert Circle** PARLOR



SUNDAY, April 14th

- 9AM Sunday School
- 10AM Traditional Worship
- 10AM Contemporary Worship
- 11:15AM Picnic on the lawn & Inflatables

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



**MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS
FOR MARCH 2024 BULLETIN**

IN MEMORY OF:

Mike Black

Susan Guinn (Youth Fund)

Harrison Clemmons

His Parents (General Fund)

Perry Johnson

Susan Guinn (Youth Fund)

Harry Gardner (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Randall Hall

Susan Guinn (Youth Fund)

Jim Wood

Jim Makins (Flower Fund)

Clayllene Gore (Chancel Choir)

Myra Sanders (General Funds)

Frank & Harriet Clark (General Funds)

Jim & Helen Clemmons (General Funds)

Diane & Frank Wink (General Funds)

Marianne & David Meyer (General Funds)

Lisa & Wade Wright (General Funds)

Bonnie & Ron Olsen (General Funds)

Beth & Larry Nicolay (General Funds)

Roger & Janet Spulak (General Funds)

Ralph & Janice Glandt (General Funds)

Kathy & Bill Rodwell (Music Fund)

Tom Brittain (Summer Camp Endowment)

Lucinda Maddox (Memorial Fund)

Donna G. Smith & Family (Youth Fund)

Susan Guinn (Youth Fund)

Marty & Wanda Mullins (Youth Fund)

Mark & Laura Jobman (Youth Fund)

James & Kay Fender (Youth Fund)

James & Kathy Render (Youth Fund)

Harold & Brenda Barron (Youth Fund)

Lawrence & Donna Thomas (Youth Fund)

Gene & Rhonda Singleton (Youth Fund)

Marilyn Mason (Youth Fund)

Open Fellowship Class (Youth Fund)

Ed & Annette Willett (Youth Fund)

Harry Gardner (Pastor's Discretionary Fund)

Judy & Roger Hall (TV Ministry)

Kermit & Lynn Erickson (General Funds)

IN HONOR OF:

Donna Cassity

Tennessee Collier Circle (Children's Ministry)

Michelle Louk

Becky Johnson (TV Ministry)

Joel McMakin

Becky Johnson (TV Ministry)

Derek Price

Tennessee Collier Circle (Youth Fund)

Sonshiners

Rhonda & Tom Slavish (Sonshine Ministry)