

# NEWSLetter

June 2024

#### **Moncks Corner United Methodist Church**

Proclaiming that Jesus Christ is Lord to our community and to the world through worship, mission, discipleship, and service to others.

# Message from the PASTOR

I like to read. I usually have a book I am reading. I usually read fiction, but sometimes non fiction books to learn and to understand things a little better. I recently finished a book about a different way to experience Jesus and the Kingdom he was trying to build. My Lenten discipline is to read the Gospels.

Right now I am reading I am reading the Psalms, but not from the traditional translation of the Bible, but from a book called "Psalms Now." This was written in a contemporary language in 1973, and so in my banter I now refer to this as "Psalms Then." Nevertheless, I am reading the Psalms in an updated version.

One Psalm jumped out at me as I was reading. Psalm 89 tells of our continual praise of God and to God. It tells of the joy of just being alive. I want to share that with you in this newsletter article. After reading this version, you may want to read it from another version to get another perspective on Psalm 89. Let this be your morning prayer.

I feel like singing this morning, O Lord.

I feel like telling everyone about me how great you are. If only they could know the depths of Your love and Your eternal concern for those who will follow You!

But my songs are so often off-key. My speech is so inadequate. I simply cannot express what I feel, what I know to be true about Your love for Your creatures upon this world.

But even the songs of the birds proclaim Your praises.

The heavens and the earth beneath them,

the trees that reach toward You,

the flowers that glow in colorful beauty,

the green hills and soaring mountains,

the valleys and the plains, the lakes and the rivers,

the great oceans that pound our shores -

they proclaim Your greatness, O God, and

Your love for the sons of men.

How glorious it is to be alive, O Lord.

May every breath of my body, every beat of my heart,

be dedicated to Your praise and glory.

Brandt, Leslie F., Psalms/Now. © 1973 by Concordia Publishing House. St. Louis, Missouri.

Peace,

Rev. Randall Haase, Pastor

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**WOMEN in Mission (WIM)** 

Fourth Monday every month 5pm

**PRAISE Team** 

Every Monday at 6pm

**United Methodist MEN (UMM)** 

June 9th at 9am.

**Finance COMMITTEE** 

June 17th at 6pm

Feed BERKELEY

June 14th at noon & 15th at 8:30am

**Graduate SUNDAY** 

June 2nd during worship service

**CHURCH Council (OPEN to ALL)** 

June 24th at 6pm

**VBS** 

June 24-28th from 5-7:30pm

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July 6-13 - More details to follow!!!



#### **MCUMC Staff:**

Rev. Randall Haase Senior Pastor
VACANT Position Youth Director
Sue Hagan Secretary

Molly Purvis Children's Ministries
Bubba High Director of Music

Mary Miller Custodian

Lori Glover Financial Secretary

Mike Holtsclaw Maintenance

Bobby Rozier Grounds Maintenance

VACANT Position Nursery



#### **IMPORTANT News about the UMC:**

This is an edited and paraphrased copy of an article found online. Similar articles can be found in local newspapers as well as in the United Methodist Advocate. This copy is published in the MCUMC newsletter this month to inform our people as to the issue at hand in the United Methodist Church.

United Methodist repeal longstanding ban on LGBTQ clergy. United Methodist delegates repealed their church's longstanding ban on LGBTQ clergy with no debate on Wednesday, removing a rule forbidding "self-avowed practicing homosexuals" from being ordained or appointed as ministers. The overwhelming margin contrasts sharply with the decades of controversy around the issue. Past General Conferences of the United Methodist Church had steadily reinforced the ban and related penalties amid debate and protests, but many of the conservatives who had previously upheld the ban have left the denomination in recent years, and this General Conference has moved in a solidly progressive direction.

The vote follows the departure of more than 7,600 American congregations – one-quarter of all UMC congregations in the US – reflecting conservative dismay over the denomination not enforcing LGBTQ bans. The departures took place between 2019 and 2023 under a temporary window enabling congregations to keep their properties under relatively favorable terms.

Moncks Corner UMC will be meeting in the very near future to hear a presentation from a representative of the South Carolina Conference UMC.

#### **PRAYER List:**

Bill Bergmann, Radford & Barbara Bates, Bart Brock, Susan Polk's Aunt Julia and Uncle Dwight, Jim Edwards, Betty Lou Hanna, Betty Jean Harvey, Bubba High, Senetta Hubbard, Chris and Danny McLaurin, Penny Metts, Marvis Solley, Miriam Talley, Maxine and Robert Tanner, Donna Tucker, Our Service Personnel.

#### **THANK You UMM!**

Thank you to the United Methodist men for making all of the Mothers feel appreciated on Mother's Day! What a wonderful time we all had at the breakfast you provided.

She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. —Proverbs 31:25-26

# **April 2024 FINANCIAL Summary**

April Receipts: +\$29,996.03 April Disbursements: -\$39,166.76

Giving tithes and offerings with hope for how God will use it is sowing to the Spirit, and this hopeful giving empowers the Church to collectively sow to the Spirit as it does good.

# Did you KNOW???

Our church has the following job openings, do you know anyone that would be a good fit?

Part time Director of Youth Ministries & Nursery Worker

# **Congregational CARE:**

Our committee will be sending cards to out college students again this year. We will include a Chick-Fil-A gift card for each one, sent to the student's home address. This is a replacement for our former efforts to send each college student an "Exam Box."

We will also assist as needed as Higher Education recognizes both our high school and college graduates. Graduate recognition is scheduled on June 2 during our regular worship service.



### **CHILDREN'S Ministries:**

Registration is open for Camp Firelight on our the MCUMC Church website. Mark your calendars for June 24-28 from 5-7:30 and please prayerfully consider volunteering during this amazing week. If you are interested in helping, there is a place for you. Let's share this date and information with our family, friends and neighbors and make wonderful memories together this summer.

Whenever I am afraid, I put my trust in YOU! - Psalm56: 3 - Molly Purvis

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