

# NEWSLetter March 2025

**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

#### **Moving into Lent**

Lent is a period of grief that necessarily ends with a great celebration of Easter. Thus, it is known in Eastern Orthodox circles as the season of "bright sadness." In Lent, many Christians commit to fasting, as well as giving up certain luxuries in imitation of Christ's sacrifice during his journey into the desert for 40 days; this is known as one's Lenten sacrifice. Many Lent-observing Christians also add a Lenten spiritual discipline, such as reading a daily devotional or praying through a Lenten calendar, to draw themselves near to God. Often observed are the Stations of the Cross, a devotional commemoration of Christ's carrying the cross and crucifixion.

Many churches remove flowers from their altars and veil crucifixes, religious statues that show the triumphant Christ, and other elaborate religious symbols in violet fabrics in solemn observance of the event. In most Lent-observing denominations, the last week of Lent coincides with Holy Week, starting with Palm Sunday. Following the New Testament narrative, Jesus's crucifixion is commemorated on Good Friday, and at the beginning of the next week the joyful celebration of Easter, the start of the Easter season, which recalls the Resurrection of Jesus.

MCUMC will once again be hosting the community Lenten services on Wednesdays, beginning March 5, Ash Wednesday. Lunch will be served at 12:00, the service at 12:30, and lunch again at 1:00.

> Peace, Randall Haase, Pastor

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### **CHOIR Practice**

Every Wednesday at 6:15 pm **Couple's Daytime BIBLE Study** Every Wednesday at 11:am **Disney MOVIE Night** Mar 2 at 5:30 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner Mar 4th at 5:30pm (Conference Room) Women's Evening BIBLE Study Mar 5th at 6pm (Conference Room) United Methodist MEN (UMM) Mar 9th at 9am Wednesday Night SUPPER Mar 12th and 26th at 5:30 Feed BERKELEY Mar 14th at noon & 15th at 8:30am **FINANCE** Committee Mar 17th at 6pm WOMEN in Mission (WIM) Mar 17th Wesley Foundation Meal CHURCH Council (OPEN to ALL) Mar 25th at 6pm Wednesday LENTEN Services Every Wednesday until Easter

## You're INVITED!!!

Join us for worship at Sunday School on Sunday mornings at 10am and for our traditional worship service at 11am.

#### ALL members & community welcome!



# **TRUSTEES Corner**

Hello Church Family! As Chairman of the MCUMC Trustees, I thought this would be a good means of communication to the congregation, right here in the newsletter. This is a way to bring everyone up to speed as to what the Trustees have been up to. Here are a few projects we have been working on around our beautiful Church:

- •The Choir asked for a TV in the choir room. Mr. Byron and I moved the one from the kindergarten room in the Ed building and hung it in the choir room. Jim Peterson got the WiFi/Roku working. Mission accomplished.
- •We had a gap in the casing at the entrance door off of Church Street going into the Ed. Building. Mr. Leonard Berry made a piece that filled the hole and he installed it. Mr. Squirrel had to relocate.
- •The old boiler room door was in rough shape. Mr. Berry and I took the door down and covered the doorway with a piece of plywood. The door is a work in progress. It is over at Mr. Berry's shop and is almost ready to hang. Mr. Berry also has the metal frame for the door ready for paint. This has been a lot of work. Thank you Mr. Berry.
- •Cal and Mr. Byron have been working on the landscape around the Church. We had a group of volunteers come out on 2/17 and we spruced up the place. We trimmed hedges, edged sidewalks, raked out flower beds and even cut that dead tree down in front of the Church. We had a great turnout and some awesome fellowship! We plan to have pine straw put out before Lent. We need to work on trimming trees in the parking lot. If you think you want to help, reach out to one of the Trustees.
- •Richard Jackson repaired a door in the Fellowship Hall. It was dragging the floor, and he took the door down and had to trim the bottom. He did a great job. Thank you Richard.
- •Cal and Mr. Byron did some yard work over at the Parsonage. It looks great. These guys are non-stop!
- •Ralph Moore has been busy too. He has been replacing all the blinds for the windows in the Education Building. Thank you Ralph!

I want to thank everyone that has been a part of these projects. It is "soulful" to get out and work alongside members of your Church Family. You learn something new about each other every time. The Trustees have done a lot in a short time and periodically, I will reach out for volunteers to help with other tasks and projects. It does not matter what your skill level is or your talents, we all have a place, and it starts with fellowship.

MCUMC Trustees In God's Love, Mike

P.S. I want to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Byron Rogers for everything he does for our Church. He is truly a pillar of this community and sets the example in everything he does. **Thank you Mr. Byron.** 

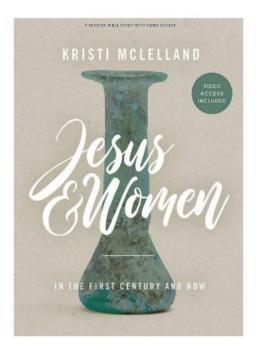
## **MCUMC Staff:**

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<u>Women's Bible Study – starting back in March 2025</u> starting Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm at Moncks Corner United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall Bring a favorite snack to share and join us during Lenten season to remember how

ring a favorite snack to share and join us during Lenten season to remember how much HE loves us!



Book purchase is not necessary to join us! If you would like a workbook, they are available on Amazon. Questions - contact Amanda T. Troy at troysrus1104@gmail.com

# Job Opportunities at MCUMC

- 1. Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
- 2. Church Secretary/Administrative Assistant
- 3. Director of Children's Ministries
- 4. Nursery Attendant

Please contact the church office for more information on these open positions.



The children and youth ministries are hosting Disney Movie Night. Please join us for a fun evening

DISNEY MOVIE NIGHT SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND 5:30-8:00 PM

Pizza, snacks and drinks will be provided in MCUMC Fellowship Hall

# Wednesday NIGHT Supper

**Save these dates!** Starts @5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 12 Wednesday, March 26 Wednesday, April 29 Wednesday, April 23

Please contact Amanda Troy to volunteer to prep a meal (843) 437-6508

## **PRAYER List:**

Gary Alan, Barbara Bates, Bart Brock, Jim Edwards, Betty Lou Hanna, Betty Jean Harvey, Senetta Hubbard, Rosalee Lawrence, Elisa Marcum, Leila Matkovich, Danny McLaurin, Penny Metts, Marvis Solley, Miriam Talley, Maxine and Robert Tanner, Donna Tucker, Frankie White, our military personnel. Moncks Corner United Methodist Church 106 Church St Moncks Corner, SC 29461

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NT	Start on Ash Wednesday and enjoy 40 days of ideas during Lent!	4 Sing a joyful song	Ħ	Read a bible verse	18	Draw a picture of Jesus	25	Help with chores	32	Ask someone how they are today	39	Play a game with family
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S O	tart on Asl 40 days	2 Hold the door for someone	6	Make a treat to share	16	Tell someone why you appreciate them	23	Start a new book	30	Read a bible verse	37	Tell a family member you love them
DAYS OF LENT	s S	1 Help a friend or family member	80	Make a list of things you are grateful for	15	Read a bible 1 verse	22	Say thank you to someone special	29	Make a card for someone	36	Give someone special a hug
401			7	Gather toys or clothes for donation	14	Say something kind to someone	21	Pick up litter	28	Ask a question about Lent	35	Give up candy for a day
X			9	Give someone a compliment	13	Tidy up your room	20	Forgive someone	27	Set the table	34	Offer your help to someone in need