



NEWSLetter

May 2023

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

Thank you to everyone who has been participating in our church team for Relay for Life. Some of you are planning to be present at the Moncks Corner Relay for Life event on April 28. Some of you have been involved in giving your financial donations to help us reach our team goal of \$1000.00. As of this writing on April 24, we have reached our goal in excess with donations temporarily at \$1832.00. We will continue to accept donations even after the event on Friday, up through September. If you would like to donate at any time, please see me or contact the church office.

I am blessed to be serving Moncks Corner United Methodist Church as the pastoral leader in which I can work together in serving the community and the world. MCUMC is an energetic and caring group of people who work together in building the kingdom of God right here in this place. I thank all of you for your participation in the mission and outreach projects offered by this church.

Peace and blessings,

Rev. Randall Haase, Pastor

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Vacation BIBLE School

June 12-16 from 5-7:30pm

TGIW - Wednesday Night SUPPER

Weekly at 5pm (Bible study to follow)

United Methodist MEN (UMM)

Second Sun. every month 9am.

WOMEN in Mission (WIM)

May 3rd, 6pm (After TGIW)

Lemonade on the LAWN

Every Sunday after church!

FEED Berkeley

May 20th 9am - Come Volunteer!

Nursery VOLUNTEERS

Please contact PA Gramling if you're willing to help out with the nursery.

PENNIES for Zoe - Mission

Collecting from all Sunday school classes until **May 28**

Young at Heart Ministry - GAME Time

May 17th at 4pm - Fellowship Hall

Vacation BIBLE School

Attention all 3 year olds through rising 5th graders, please join us June 12 through 16 from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. This year's theme is Heroes Hotline! We will have 4 days of Bible Stories, music, games, and art along with appearances from your favorite superheroes!

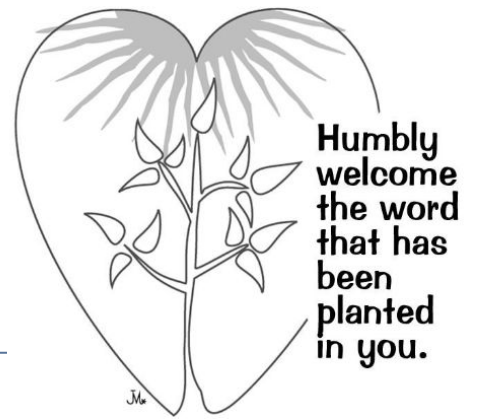
On Friday, June 16 we will have a musical performance and a waterslide. Please sign up at the church website today and we look forward to a week of fun and growth in Christ!

- Ashley Hennessee

YOUTH Group

Hi youth, I hope you are all doing well! Summer is just around the corner, and I know you are all excited. I am planning some fun things for the summer. We are also going to be meeting for youth group after our Wednesday night dinners.

– Zach Dietz, Ministry Associate



Feed BERKELEY

Food insecurity affects 1 in 7 children in South Carolina. According to Feeding America, in Berkeley County, the food insecurity rate is 8.7%!

Feed Berkeley's roots stem from Covid when Freedom Church asked local churches to join them in providing food to those facing food insecurity during a trying time for our community. Seeing an ongoing need, five churches banded together to be THE CHURCH in our community; hence, Feed Berkeley (FB) was born- to feed His lambs physically and spiritually. MCUMC was one of those five churches, but that number has since grown to 11 churches!

FB provides a 50-pound box of shelf stable food along with any perishables available from the Low Country Food Bank. As of December 2022, we have provided 530,000 meals to folks who would otherwise have gone to bed hungry. In 2022 alone, FB saw the number of families served jump 43% when comparing the first quarter to the fourth quarter of 2022! The need is great!

FB is open every Saturday (except around major holidays) from 9am to 12pm. MCUMC serves on the third Saturday of the month. There are many ways to serve and tasks that suit every age and ability level.

– Elaine Peterson

Berkeley High School - BETA Club

Dear church family,

Tyler Umphlett, Miller Whetzel, and I are current members of the Berkeley High School Beta Club!

Through our hard work and dedication to our academics, we have the honor of being a part of our prestigious Beta Club. From group talent to academic awards, we are very successful in what we do throughout the year. We are competitive in our performing arts groups, and it shows at state convention as well as national convention. To be a member of our schools Beta Club, you really have to earn it. The requirements are an 88 average in your classes combined and to attain 8 service credits throughout both semesters. We love serving our community and helping others in the town of Moncks Corner! Service credits consist of assisting in the Miracle League baseball games at the town recreation center, volunteering for fall festivals at Berkeley Elementary, donating needed items at our local Hannah House, and much more!

This year at state convention, our hard work paid off as we placed first in several categories. In doing so, we have the honor of representing Berkeley High School and our community in Louisville, Kentucky this summer at National Convention! Your ongoing love and support means the world to us as our journey takes us to Louisville for a week of competitions, fellowship, and adventures.

We want to thank our church family for your prayers, love and support.

– Sincerely, Karson Rose Steele

Let's keep our kids SAFE!!!

God calls us to make our churches safe places and to create communities of faith where children and adults can grow safe and strong. The Moncks Corner United Methodist Church has established a Safe Sanctuary Policy and accompanying procedures, which has been approved by our Church Council, to demonstrate our total and unwavering commitment to the physical, emotional, and spiritual safety of all our children, youth and vulnerable adults.

In order to follow our Safe Sanctuary Policy, all staff and supervising volunteers who work with children, youth and vulnerable adults must have the following training: Safe Sanctuary, CPR and First Aid. These ministries include Sunday School, Youth Group, Vacation Bible School, and Salkehatchie. We thank you for volunteering to help to teach our children, youth and vulnerable adults in a safe environment.

We ask you to please sign up for training to be held on the following dates:

Safe Sanctuary Policy and Procedure - Thursday, May 4, 6:00pm - 7:00pm

CPR and First Aid - Monday, May 8, 6:00pm - 8:00pm OR Thursday, May 11, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

All training will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Please contact Sue Hagan or Bernona Rodgers (blrodgers@homesc.com) to register for training.

MCUMC Staff:

Rev. Randall Haase	Senior Pastor
Zach Dietz	Ministry Associate
Sue Hagen	Secretary
Bubba High	Director of Music
Lori Glover	Financial Secretary
Mike Holtzclaw	Maintenance
Mary Miller (Birthday May 30!)	Custodian
Bobby Rozier	Grounds Maintenance
Miranda Shaw	Nursery

YOUNG at Heart Ministry

We have begun a new ministry for all of those that are Young at Heart. So far we have played Bingo and Charades and had a blast with everyone that has come!!! We have starting meeting for activities at 4:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of every month and then staying for dinner and fellowship. Please join us May 17th @ 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall for an exciting event.

—Susan Polk

Ministry Associate's CORNER

Through my time at Moncks Corner I have been both humbled and blessed to serve the people of the church. It has been an amazing experience to see how loving and kind everyone has been. I have people come to my door to talk to me and see how I am doing. I also have been growing in friendship and relationship with you all. Truly it has been a blessing to see the people of Moncks Corner live their faith in Christ out and reflect His image in their lives. I am reminded of Matthew 5:16 "In the same way, let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your Father who is in heaven." I hope to encourage you to share the love and light of Jesus Christ into the world so people may see the power of His good news.

Thank you and God bless ~ Zach Dietz

PRAYER List:

Susan Jackson's Family	Chris & Danny McLaurin	Radford & Barbara Bates	Tim Leonard
Cal & Molly Purvis	Thad & Miriam Talley	Barbara Bennett	Penny Metts
Eula Connell	Lib Rentz	Bart Brock	Jackie Oltmann
JW Lowe	Senetta Hubbard	Charlie Glover	Sallie Rogers
Shirley Moore	Dot Denaro	Betty Lou Hanna	Marvis Solley
	Tommy Langley	Betty Jean Harvey	Our Service Personnel

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