

NEWSLetter November 2025

Moncks Corner United Methodist Church

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

From Pastor Rebecca

Dear Friends in Christ.

As we enter this season of gratitude, I'm reminded of Paul's words: "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for vou"

1 Thessalonians 5:18

November invites us to slow down and notice God's goodness in our lives through family, friends, our church, and the ways we serve our community together. This month, we especially celebrate our Mission Team and their faithful work collecting food for Feed Berkeley. We celebrate all our church family who have donated to the drive. Each can, box, and bag shared becomes an expression of God's love reaching beyond our walls. As Psalm 100:4 reminds us, "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and bless his name."

overflow May hearts with our thankfulness as we serve, worship, and give together. I pray this season draws us closer to Christ, who is the source of every good gift and the reason for our gratitude.

With thankfulness.

Pastor Rebecca

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday Night SUPPER

Every Wednesday at 5:30pm

CHOIR Practice

Every Wednesday at 6:15pm

Daytime BIBLE Study

Every Wednesday at 11am

Feed BERKELEY

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

Finance COMMITTEE

November 17th at 6pm

CHURCH Council

November 18th at 6pm

Thanksgiving POTLUCK

November 12th at 5:30pm

DINNER Theater

December 17th at 5:30pm



Our Trunk or Treat was a GREAT success!





↑↑↑ Our mayor came to judge the trunks!

FLOWER Calendar

The following dates are available for those who wish to provide flowers for the altar for the remainder of 2025: November 16.

December 7, December 14

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of a person or event contact Ann please Burnette (843)709-0794 or the church office.

MCUMC Staff:

Rev. Rebecca Rowell **VACANT Position** Sue Hagan and Brenda Ayers **Molly Purvis** Earle Johnson **Mary Miller Lori Glover** Mike Holtsclaw **Bobby Rozier VACANT Position**

Senior Pastor Youth Director Secretary Children's Ministries **Director of Music** Custodian Financial Secretary Maintenance **Grounds Maintenance Nursery**

Memorials/Honorarium

Barbara Oliver: Ralph & Shirley Moore, Byron & Bernona Rodgers, Rick & Ann Burnette

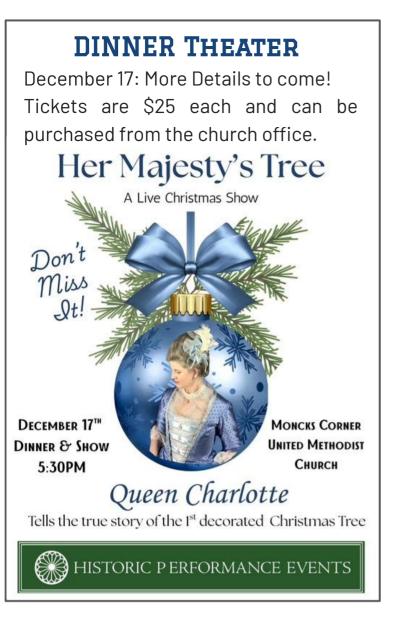
Senetta Hubbard: Robin & Julie Rogers, Jim & Elaine Peterson, Ann & Samp; Rick Burnette

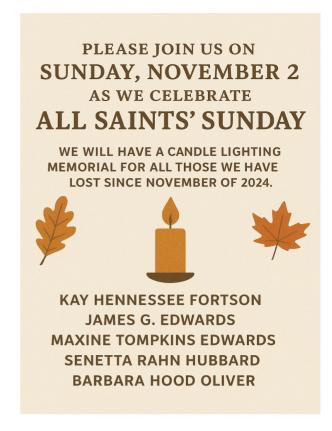
Jim Edwards & Maxine Edwards: Robin & Julie Rogers, Jim & Elaine Peterson, Byron & Bernona Rodgers, Tom & Betty Curtis

Mary Ellen Oliver: Susan Blackwell, Ralph & Shirley Moore, Bobby & Vera Helmly, Guilds Scott Sunday School Class, Butch & Chris Volf, Tom & Betty Curtis, Ann & Rick Burnette

Kay Hennessee Fortson: Ann & Rick Burnette

PRAYER List: Iris Austin, Barbara Bates, Butch Grunsky, Betty Lou Hanna, Betty Jean Harvey, Frankie Herndon, Leila Matkovich, Danny McLaurin, Penny Metts, Betty Milner, Kay Murray, Michele Rodgers, Carol Sisson, Marvis Solley, Sydney Solley, Charles Staley, Miriam Talley, Maxine & Robert Tanner, Donna Tucker.







HYMN Story

"Now Thank We All Our God" ("Nun danket alle Gott") is a hymn written by German Lutheran pastor Martin Rinkart in the early 17th century. Rinkart wrote the hymn during one of the darkest periods of his life, amidst the devastation of the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648), which caused significant suffering, starvation, and disease in his hometown of Eilenburg. Saxony. As the town faced an overwhelming number of refugees, it became the center of war, with Swedish armies occupying the region. This caused extreme hardship, famine, and a plague that struck the population. In 1637 alone, it is said that Rinkart conducted around 4,000 funerals, including that of his wife, due to the plague. Despite these circumstances, Rinkart wrote "Now Thank We All Our God" as a prayer of gratitude and faith, expressing deep trust in God's provision and care, even amidst suffering.

The hymn became widely sung as a comforting reminder of God's constancy and love. Its powerful message of gratitude has transcended centuries, remaining one of the most beloved hymns in German and English-speaking churches alike. The hymn *"Now Thank We All Our God"* carries a message of profound gratitude and trust in God, regardless of life's hardships. Written in the context of immense suffering, the hymn encourages believers to give thanks to God for His goodness, guidance, and blessings through all circumstances. It emphasizes themes of thankfulness, faith, and resilience, acknowledging God as a loving provider who remains present in both times of joy and trial.

The lyrics call on worshipers to rejoice in God's faithfulness, uplifting the idea that gratitude is an essential part of faith. It reminds people to be thankful for God's protection, wisdom, and steadfast love, inspiring believers to find hope and peace in their relationship with Him, no matter their circumstances.

The hymn *"Now Thank We All Our God"* can be interpreted as a timeless expression of gratitude that transcends personal and historical challenges. Each verse carries a layered meaning, reflecting both the personal faith of the writer, Martin Rinkart, and a broader Christian call to trust and thanksgiving.

- Earle Johnson

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