# NEWSLetter

November 2026

**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.*

## Stewardship

November will be Stewardship time at MCUMC. We shall celebrate the past and look forward to the future. Most of us have taken the vow to support the church with our prayers, presence, tithes/gifts and witness to Christ. We live out our vows in different ways, but the purpose is to give back to God for what we have received. We especially center our lives in Jesus our Lord.

November 1st will be All-Saints Sunday. A Sunday of celebration of those who have lived lives of faith and now rest in their reward of heaven.

November 8th will be New Member Sunday. We will receive and celebrate those uniting with MCUMC. November 8 th will also be the Sunday we prayerfully thank our veterans who have served our country.

November 15th will be another great Sunday in the life of our church. We will celebrate the 100th anniversary of MCUMC this month. We will hopefully plan a more formal "Birthday Celebration" later in 2027. But on the 15th we will have a time of prayer for what God has done for our church throughout the years.

November 22nd will be our Sunday of thanksgiving and commitment. We will gather to give thanksgiving unto God for his many gifts and make our personal commitments to be Good Stewards of the wonderful things God has done for us.

I do not call these days a busy time but a Blessed Time for our church. A Blessed time as we seek to do the ministry of Christ in this place.

Blessings,
Mitch

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**All Saints' Day**
Nov 1 during 11am Worship Service

**Wednesday NIGHT Supper**
Nov 4 at 5:30
*(First Wednesday each month!)*

**YOUTH Night**
*Keep an eye out for the date and time!*

**New Member Reception**
Nov 8 during 11am Worship Service

**Church COUNCIL**
Nov 10

**Finance Committee**
Nov 16

**FEED Berkeley**
Nov 20 at noon & 21 at 8:30am

**First Sunday of ADVENT**
Nov 29: Matt Burnette Speaker

**Breakfast with SANTA**
Dec 12

## Flowers in the SANCTUARY

The following date is available for those who would like to provide flowers for the altar:

November 29

If you would like to reserve a date, please contact Ann Burnette at (843) 709-0794 or the church office.

# Upcoming Sermons:

**Nov. 1 Eternal Life Through Jesus**
Sermon: *Nothing Is Impossible With God*
First Lesson Genesis 18:1-14
Gospel Lesson Luke 1:34-36

**Nov. 8 God Never Gives Up On Us**
Sermon *The Potter is Still At The Wheel*
First Lesson Jeremiah 18:1-4
Gospel Lesson John 10:7-10

**Nov. 15 Being Disciples**
Sermon *Practicing What We Promised*
First Lesson II Corinthians 8:1-12
Gospel Lesson Matthew 6:19-21

**Nov. 22 Commitment Sunday**
Sermon *Who Do You Say I Am*
Gospel Lesson Matthew 16:13-20

**Nov. 29 First Sunday in Advent**
Advent Worship

## With Deepest Gratitude to Our Church Family

To the pastors, staff, and congregation of Moncks Corner United Methodist Church:

There are times when the words **"thank you"** seem far too small for what is in the heart. This is one of those times.

For more than fifty years, Robert Tanner Sr. loved and served this church. Service was his heart language. **He loved you by serving you.** And on the day we gathered to honor his life, you returned that love in the very same way—you loved Robert, and you loved our family, **by serving us**.

Everywhere we looked, there were expressions of care. Beautiful music filled the sanctuary. The funeral was recorded and Robert's Life in Pictures was displayed so thoughtfully. Programs were prepared and printed. Greeters welcomed friends and family. The memorial table was arranged with care. Nearly 200 people were graciously received and seated.

And after the service, approximately sixty family members and close friends were welcomed to a meal that required many unseen hours of preparation, serving, setup, and cleanup. From the pastor to the musicians to the dishwashers, we felt surrounded by love, comfort, and hope.

What could have felt like a list of funeral duties became a remarkable ministry to a grieving family. Every meal prepared, every table arrangement, every note played, every picture displayed, every person greeted, and every quiet act performed behind the scenes said the same thing:

**"Robert mattered to us. His family matters to us. We remember."**

Robert spent a lifetime quietly giving himself away in service to his church, his family, his friends, and others. At the end of his earthly life, the church he had served for so many years surrounded him and his family with that same spirit of selfless service.

**Robert loved you by serving you.**
**And in his final farewell, you loved him by serving him.**
Our family will never forget it.

With profound gratitude and love,
The Tanner Family

## Missions Update

We're coming up on some busy months with Missions.

We will be packing **Thanksgiving boxes** after the Wednesday Supper on November 4th . Come for food, fellowship, and fun!

Our **angel tree** will be going up on November 8th . Select an angel from the tree which will have Elaine Peterson's contact information on the back. Contact her and she will send you a wish list with sizes for your angel.

Wrapped (or gift bagged) gifts should be brought to the church by December 9th . Please make sure it has the angel's name and the code on the bottom of the angel you selected from the tree on the gift tag.

*Thank you for supporting our mission projects!*

## Children & Youth of MCUMC

This month the children and youth of MCUMC packed 20 food kits as part of the Bookbag Buddy program at Berkeley Elementary School. BES guidance counselor, Allie Smoak, sends home kits every Friday with 4 meals and 2 snacks for 20 BES students identified as having food insecurity issues. Lydia Baker heads up this mission program supplying food for the kits weekly, and twice a year our children and youth actually pack the kits and deliver them giving them the opportunity to participate and physically serve through a mission project. Contributions to this mission are welcomed through MCUMC- just enter Bookbag Buddies on the memo line of your check.

**Thanks to MCUMC for your support!**

| Our Gifts: | September | YTD |
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| Received | $32,988.46 | $331,273.98 |
| Disbursed | $ 30,612.75 | $332,505.78 |
| Difference | $ 2,375.71 | $ 6,110.80 |

feed berkeley

## 2026 Fundraising Campaign

Feed Berkeley has kicked off their 2026 capital campaign to generate donations needed to purchase food from the Lowcountry Food Bank for distribution. Please see the information below for ways to donate or send your donation to MCUMC and designate Feed Berkeley on the memo line.

*Thank you MCUMC for your continuous support of this community mission project.*

**DONATE: https://givebutter.com/a0NMSP**
**or send Checks to:** Feed Berkeley
500 S Live Oak Dr.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

**PRAYER List:** Iris Austin, Roger Baker, Barbara Bates, Mikky Caison, Delette Dupree, Rhae West Dupree, Wesley Fairey, Betty Lou Hanna, Betty Jean Harvey, Frankie Herndon, Janie Langley, Leila Matkovich, Danny McLaurin, Penny Metts, Dustin Morris, George Oltmann, Benjie Rodgers, Byron Rodgers III, Carol Sisson, Miriam Talley, and our Military Service Personnel.

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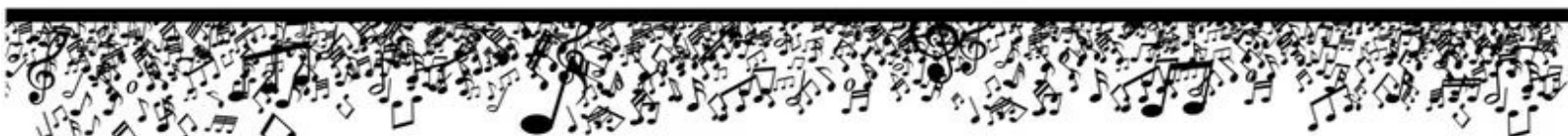
## HYMN OF THE MONTH *"How Great thou Art"*

In Psalm 19, verse 1, David tells us, "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork." This great truth is elaborated in the words of the now famous hymn *"How Great Thou Art."* It has become one of the most popular spiritual songs of our time, and a Christian classic.

The origins of this hymn go back to the majestic hills and valleys of Sweden. In about 1885 Reverend Carl Boberg, a well-known Lutheran minister, wrote the original words. In writing *"How Great Thou Art,"* the writer was inspired by the natural beauty of his homeland—especially after a summer thunderstorm. Three of the verses were on the same theme and it was first entitled *"O Great God."* Soon it was translated into German, Russian, and English.

In 1927, an English missionary couple, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart K. Hine found the Russian translation while serving in Ukraine. Mr. Hine sang it in Russian for a number of years and then translated the three verses into English. At the beginning of WW2 the Hines' returned to England bringing the song with them.

A fourth verse was added in 1948, and the next year the entire hymn appeared in a gospel magazine which Mr. Hine published. It was immediately popular and soon reprints were being requested by missionaries all over the world. This final thrust gave *"How Great Thou Art"* the worldwide popularity in 1954.

The song soon made its way into the hands of the famous gospel singer George Beverly Shea. Bev. Shea fell in love with immediately, and he introduced it to the people of Toronto, Canada, at a crusade then began singing it regularly. At the 1957 New York Crusade, it was sung a staggering 99 times.