

# Boulder Creek United Methodist Church Mountain Messenger April, 2017



## Our Vision

*"To illuminate the world with  
God's love by serving our  
community as faithful followers  
of Christ."*



### **Easter Week Events**

April 9, **Palm Sunday**, Gabe House will lead our worship

Thursday, April 13, 7:00, **Maundy Thursday**, we will celebrate our Lord's Supper

Friday, April 14, 7:00, **Good Friday, observing the Way of the Cross**. Gabe House is our leader.

Sunday, April 16, 10:00 a.m. A **Joyous Celebration of Easter** with music and the Word. Rev. Clyde titled his message "Is the News Frightening?" based on John 20:1-18

12:00 Noon, **Easter Egg Hunt** - be sure and invite your neighbors!

### **OPEN MEETING FOR OUR CONGREGATION**

**Sunday, April 2, right  
after church**



Please stay after worship this Sunday to hear a proposal from the Leadership Team. The motion before us is to join the Reconciling Ministries Network. That would be our way of stating, publicly, that our church is open to everyone, including members of the LGBTQ community.

This is a time to share with and listen to each other, and to join in prayer for God's Guidance.

Our Annual Conference (Calif.-Nevada) is a Reconciling Conference, and the Western Jurisdiction (essentially from the Rockies west) is a Reconciling Jurisdiction. All United Methodist Churches in Santa Cruz County (except Boulder Creek) are Reconciling Congregations.

This is a very important step in the life of our community and you are encouraged to attend the meeting, share your thoughts and then vote. In the meantime, please hold your church in prayer that we might be guided by the Holy Spirit.

To know more about Reconciling Ministries you may log on to their website at:

<http://www.rmnetwork.org/newrmn/>

Our website is up and running!  
Check it out at

**Website**

[www.bcumc.com](http://www.bcumc.com).

Thank you to **Gabe House** for the hard work to create and maintain our website. It's a great tool to help people know more about our church.

## Meeting This Sunday!



What would it be like to **really** be an inclusive church? Is everyone welcome to worship in our church? How do they know that they will be welcomed? Do we ever say it out loud?

The motto of the United Methodist Church is: "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors" yet the official stance of our church is to refuse to ordain openly gay ministers and to prohibit ministers from performing same-sex marriages. Every time our General Conference (meets every four years) the body reconsiders these bans, and nothing has changed.

Of course the church is frequently the last to change. It wasn't until 1968 that we ordained women into the ministry and it was that same year that the last (legal) vestiges of segregation were eliminated.

There is a significant movement in the UMC called the **Reconciling Ministries**. This is an open movement working for the inclusion of **everyone** as a part of the life of the church, including the LGBTQ community. It is an open way to say: "You are welcome here."

We will meet this Sunday, after our worship service, to discuss the issue and to vote on it. This is a very important step in the life of our church and worthy of your input and consideration. For the record, every other UMC in our county has adopted the Reconciling Congregation label, we are the only ones that have not.

I hope you will join us after church to give serious consideration to this important decision in the life of our church. For more information about Reconciling Congregations I invite you to check out their website at: <http://www.rmnetwork.org/newrmn/>.

In prayer for our congregation, I will hope to see you Sunday.

*Rev. Clyde*





## Word from Ted

*He is risen! This month we are eager to celebrate the risen Lord. We will be finishing our Sunday morning series that started with Joseph and led to the story of the Exodus. We will be celebrating an early passover with a picnic-like seder for the kids on April 2nd and on Easter. April 16, we will have an Easter themed project for the children followed by an Easter Egg Hunt immediately following Sunday morning service.*

*Ted Bond*



Sunday, April 16, right after church, we will have an **Easter Egg Hunt**. Please let your neighbor children know.

They are welcome to join us for the Children's Ministry, which will occur during the 10:00 Service of Worship.

This is a great opportunity to let our neighborhood children know that we are here and that we have a wonderful ministry for their children!





## JOYS:

**Sunshine Johnson** is doing much better. Each morning she wakes up wondering how she can feel so well. She and Craig send their love.

**Wayne Hendrix** has been working hard on the physical changes that need to happen on our property. We are VERY grateful for his knowledge, skill and dedication.

**Gabe House** and his children now occupy the "new parsonage" (next to the pool). It's good to have him in the neighborhood.

## CONCERNS:

**Lalayna Carr's husband, Michael** died in a tragic automobile accident. A celebration of his life will be Saturday, April 1, 1:00. Please try to be there to surround Mike's family with our love and prayers. There is a reception following the service. Maggie Barr is organizing food and help for the reception. If you are able to be a part of this, please sign up on line at: <http://signup.com/go/48wtDx>

**Craig Johnson's father** died. Our prayers go out to him, Sunshine and all the family.

**Phyllis Mayfield** continues to battle with a cold and her pace maker hasn't done the job of giving her all the energy she wants. But she just turned 91 and glad to have lived this many years!

For our **shut-ins** who are unable to be in church because of age or illness. Our prayers are with them.

*If you have joys or concerns and desire prayer, please contact Linda Lininger, our prayer coordinator, [LindaLinCA@aol.com](mailto:LindaLinCA@aol.com), the Pastor or the church office with your request.*

## THANKS!

**Maggie Barr** has arranged meals for the Carr family during this time of grief and adjustment. She is also making arrangements for the reception after the Service.

**THANK YOU!**



Ron returned to Virginia Mason Hospital to confer with Dr Picozzi about restarting his treatment. After some discussion, it was decided that Ron would immediately resume treatment at a lower dosage, hopefully to lessen the impact of the chemotherapy drugs.



Once restarted, the treatment is only deemed successful if Ron is able to continue to the end, (no more stop and start, no red light, green light...). The plan is to complete the treatment by mid April and then take a month off.



<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/ronperry>

## April Birthdays

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| 9th  | Jennifer Warner     |
| 11th | Rick Deits          |
| 13th | Bob Belzer          |
| 16th | Livingstone Johnson |
| 16th | David Schlesinger   |
| 17th | Les Gripkey         |
| 19th | Angelo Acker        |
| 20th | Tami Zigelhofer     |
| 20th | Marge Borchardt     |
| 29th | Sharon Ulstad       |



## April Anniversaries

- April 9, 2016, Ted & Alora Bond  
 April 26, 1981, Dan & Gina Jett

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed and you would like to have it added, please send your information to the office:  
[bcumc@bcumc.com](mailto:bcumc@bcumc.com)*

**These pictures describe some of the work that has been done on our property**



This tree is dead and had to be removed.

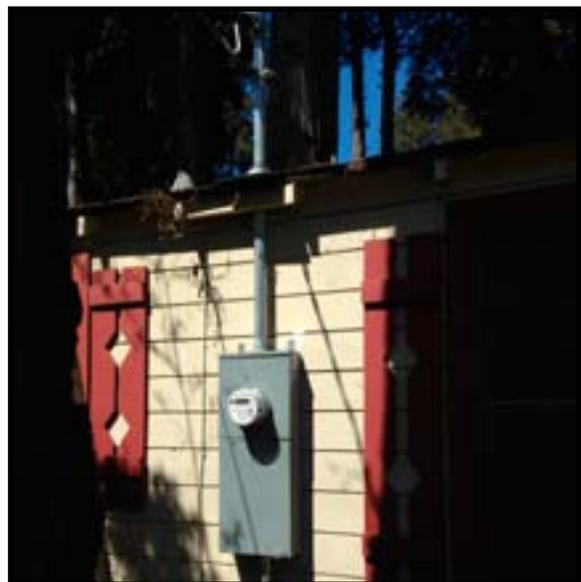


More work to put the electrical supply underground, protecting it from damage in any future storms.

In the “new parsonage” recent work included replacing the dishwasher, carpet, flooring, cabinets, locks, painting and more. We are delighted that Gabe and his family have moved in. Pictures and details are provided by Wayne Hendryx.



Pool house garage, the whole back wall was replaced, and the concrete footing was extended all the way across the back, under these two new doors. Termites and dry rot ate away all the posts and framing holding the whole back wall together.



Shown is the new 200 amp electric panel supplying electricity to the small house and the three cabins and the pool equipment. Many big branches came down during the second big storm we had knocking all the electricity out three times in 24 hours. We put in all new electrical supply lines and put them underground.



## Calendar

April 2, **Fifth Sunday in Lent**,  
Rev. Clyde, "Alive in the Spirit"  
John 8:6-11, Communion

After Worship, **Membership**

### **Meeting**

April 9, **Palm Sunday Worship**

led by Gabe House, Matthew 26:14-27:66

April 13, **6:00, Maundy Thursday  
Communion**

April 14, **7:00, Good Friday Service**

April 16, **A Joyous Celebration of Easter** with  
music and the Word. Rev. Clyde titled his  
message "Is the News Frightening?" based on  
John 20:1-18

April 23, **Worship**

led by Gabe House, John 20:19-31

April 30, **Worship** led by Ted Bond

May 7, **Fourth Sunday of Easter**, Rev. Clyde,  
"Jesus and Abundant Living" John 10:1-10,  
Communion

Sundays, **Choir Practice:** 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.

Sundays - Youth breakfast, 9:00  
a.m. with Bible Discussion

### **Boulder Creek United Methodist Church**

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Prayer Chain, please contact the pastor, or  
the prayer chain coordinator, Linda Lininger,  
[LindaLinCA@aol.com](mailto:LindaLinCA@aol.com), if you wish prayers for  
family members or friends.

### **Worship Leadership**

Ministers: People of the parish

Music Director: Gabriel House



The **May Mountain  
Messenger** deadline for  
information will be  
Sunday, April 30.

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