

Boulder Creek United Methodist Church Mountain Messenger November, 2023



Our Vision

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



Our annual altar honoring the saints in our church family is in the sanctuary.

Please bring images or tokens of the saints in your family. We will celebrate All Saints Sunday on Nov. 5. Join us in honoring those who blessed our lives.

Plan to join us for a potluck lunch, Sunday, right after worship.



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, Nov. 12, 12:45 p.m.

This is our Annual Meeting to elect officers, review our membership records, set the Pastor's compensation and discuss hopes and dreams for the year ahead.

The meeting is open to everyone in our church family

There will be a potluck right after church and the meeting will begin when Pastor Kangse Lee, from the Santa Cruz United Methodist Church arrives.





Is Time our Friend?

*Clyde's
Corner*

As we once again change all the clocks and timing devices in our homes, we will hear people grumbling. I've heard that each time we begin or end daylight savings time there is an increase in car accidents.

Is time a wonderful traveling companion on our daily journey, or is it the enemy just waiting to run out? There's a part of me that wishes I could live for a thousand years, but I'm afraid it would increase my procrastination. "Oh, I'll study Greek in the next century, or maybe the one after that!" Time gives us some definition to our lives. Knowing we won't live forever, there's an urgency to accomplish tasks, to get things done, to heal wounded relationships, to make a new friend or help a stranger.

Time is not an enemy nor a friend. It just is. We can use it as a tool to encourage us to do new tasks, or it can be an enemy reminding us that we were going to do something before the weekend. Forgiveness comes into play here, because even though we didn't finish something, we can accept it as today's task, and by forgiving ourselves (one of the hardest things to do) we can move through the unfinished and add new things to our list.

I hope you'll enjoy the extra hour of sleep this Saturday night and I'll hope to see you bright-eyed on Sunday morning!

Please continue to pray for me as I will continue to pray for you,

~Rev. Clyde

You Are Welcome Here!

As a Reconciling Congregation, we celebrate God's welcome to us and to all people, regardless of race, national origin, sexual orientation or whether your beliefs are the same as the preacher's. At Boulder Creek UMC your friendship is valued and safeguarded. You are accepted for who you are. You have a home!



A Season for Being Thankful

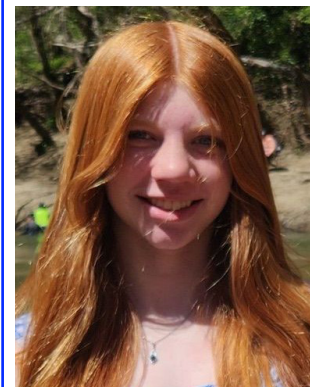
It's the season for being thankful. Here are a few things I am thankful for this year. I'm thankful to see the church grow and seeing new faces every Sunday. I'm thankful to see Jaime, Amber and Alora ministering to the hungry and the lonely each month at the community dinner. I'm thankful for our amazing musical team and talented musical guests. I'm thankful for the wild success Joanne and the orchestra have been experiencing. I'm thankful for Jaime and the kids ministry, and that we have a new assistant, Amanda Kelly. I'm thankful for Clyde's leadership and I'm thankful for the continued support from the leadership team and staff parish committee as I take the next steps toward ordained ministry.

Sincerely,

Ted

Zoom Link for our Thursday morning Bible Study:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5679990490?pwd=cFFHcEntWnBab2Z2NG9ReFpEenQ2UT09Zo9>



Meet **Amanda Kelley**, our new Sunday School aide. Amanda will assist Jaime in one of the most important tasks of any church, educating and loving the children!



JOYS

Amanda Kelley is our new Sunday School Aide. She will be able to help Jaime make our Sunday morning program EVEN BETTER!

We are so grateful for our **Music Team, Robert, Christine, Joanne, Roy**

and Michael.

For members of our church family who perform caring acts all the time without desire for acknowledgement or praise. These are truly followers of Jesus.



CONCERNS

Christine Bakalis got sad news of the unexpected death of her former husband. Christine will be travelling to the east coast to assist with arrangements

Tyler & Molliejane Johnson's parents

are dealing with cancer issues. We'll want to continue to keep them in prayer.

So many who are still dealing with COVID, so many of our friends & family. Prayers for healing and a return to strength and wholeness for all dealing with COVID and other afflictions.

For our first responders: We need them in every season as nature brings us a variety of challenges.

Prayers are lifted up each Sunday. Though not all are listed here, we hold people who are facing medical, emotional and/or family issues.

For those who are hungry and homeless. Our prayers are with them. We are grateful for Valley Churches United and other agencies who are able to provide assistance

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 the Pastor or the church office with your request.

Thanks!

Carol Hendryx and Wayne set up the beautiful Dia de los Muertos altar. Thanks to both for this beautiful tribute to the saints of our church family.



No Matter what happens in your life, you can start over.



Be sure to log in to our church Facebook page to see the worship from previous Sundays.

<https://www.facebook.com/Boulder-Creek-United-Methodist-Church-179851719450777/>



November Birthdays

- 2 Linda Hartshorn
- 9 Lee Wynn
Mary Erickson
- 10 Courtney Adams
- 11 Kevin Warner
- 12 Linsey Sanders
- 16 Garrett Wallace
- 17 Elise Perry
- 18 Marty Acker
- 19 Nicole Sullivan
- 27 Dan Jett



November Anniversaries

- 9, 1996, Marge & Herb Borchardt
- 30, 2002, Einar & Anne Finstad

If, for some reason, your birthday or anniversary is not listed above, please contact the church office and let us know. We want to include our whole church family.

Music at Boulder Creek United Methodist Church



Concertino Strings

Prepare yourselves for a **Winter's Musical Feast of Christmas** and other Holiday music at the church. BCUMC's orchestra in residence, Concertino Strings, begins rehearsals November 1st for its next set of concerts, December 6th at 11:30 am and Saturday December 9th at 3:00 pm (note earlier than usual time, we want people to be able to travel in daylight). Always free admission, all ages welcome, and concerts are under an hour long. The orchestra of 25 string players, winds, and keyboards will play Noels for Instruments by 17th century composer Charpentier; a gorgeous arrangement of the ancient Irish Wexford Carol; Leroy Anderson's fun classic Sleigh Ride; and the Pifa from Handel's Messiah.

But that's not all! A week later, the Quail Court Consort will play a program of music from the Baroque era, on historically correct string instruments. The Quail Court Consort is a chamber ensemble of 9 skilled musicians who specialize in authentic baroque practices, led by Boulder Creek resident Eric Finley who previously taught a Baroque Workshop series at the church for interested string players. The performance will be on Saturday, December 16th at 2:00 pm (again a travel-friendly time for the season). The program will be Concerti Grossi by Corelli (including the famous Christmas Concerto), Handel, and Bernard Bach, a descendant of J.S. Bach. Free admission, donations gratefully accepted.

--Joanne Tanner



If you would like to follow the Concertino Strings, check out their website:
www.concertinostrings.com

Will we see
you here on
Nov. 19?

**BOULDER CREEK
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

SUNDAY COMMUNITY DINNER

JOIN US THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.
FREE TO EVERYONE, DONATIONS GREATLY
APPRECIATED THIS ALLOWS US TO CONTINUE
OFFERING MEALS TO THOSE IN NEED

SUNDAY EVENING 5-7
AUGUST 20
SEPTEMBER 17
OCTOBER 15
NOVEMBER 19
DECEMBER 17

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Something to look forward to. Put it on your December calendar along with the Concerto Strings concerts on Dec. 6 & 9.



Join us for the debut concert of the Quail Court Consort!
A Baroque Ensemble group on period instruments!

**Works by Handel, JB Bach and Corelli - including the famous
Christmas Concerto**

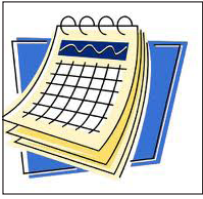
Music Directors: Loren Tayerle and Eric Finley

Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 2pm
Boulder Creek United Methodist Church (12855 Boulder Str., Boulder Creek)

FREE admission – Donations are greatly appreciated

Home-baked holiday cookies will be served at the intermission!





Calendar

Nov. 5, Daylight Savings End. Set your clocks back (Saturday night?).

Nov. 5, Rev. Clyde, "Celebrating the Saints" | John 3:1-3, Communion

11:00 Potluck

**Nov. 12, Ted Bond will lead our worship,
Matthew 25:1-13**

11:00 Potluck

12:45 All Church Conference

**Nov. 19, Ted Bond will lead our worship,
Matthew 25:14-30**

5:00, Community Meal, Everyone is welcome

**Nov. 26, Ted Bond will lead our worship,
Matthew 25:31-46**

**Dec. 3, First Sunday of Advent, Rev. Clyde,
"Praying for God's Presence" Isaiah 64:1-9,
Communion**

11:00 Potluck

1:15, Leadership Team on Zoom

**Bible study, Thursdays at 11 a.m. as we explore
Jesus' teaching in the book of Luke.**

The Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5679990490?pwd=cFFHcENTWnBab2Z2NG9ReFpEenQ2UT09Zo9>

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Prayer Chain, please contact the pastor if you wish prayers for family members or friends.



The December Mountain Messenger deadline for information will be Sunday, November 26.

Check out our website at

www.bcumc.com.

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