



NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Worship 9:00 AM

Charge Conference – Sunday October 7 at 5pm at Estancia UMC

What is a Charge Conference? It's the connecting link between the local church and the general Church. Members of the Charge Conference include local church Leadership plus the Pastor and the District Superintendent. **What does a Charge Conference do?** Members meet annually to review and evaluate the total mission and ministry of the local churches; receive reports on Finances, Property, Missions, Christian Education and the like; document and adopt the slate of nominated leadership for the coming year; establish the pastor's compensation package; and formally adopt recommended objectives and goals for the coming year. **What's the difference between a Charge Conference and a Church Conference?** Charge Conferences include participation by the existing church leadership – all members of the Administrative Council and Supporting Committees (e.g. Trustees, Pastor Parish Relations, Finance, Education, Outreach, etc.). Church Conferences encourage broader participation by extending voting privileges to all members of the church. Church Conferences must be authorized by the District Superintendent. **So what are we doing?** Estancia and Mountainair are conducting a Charge Conference. All members of each church are encouraged to attend, especially since we're having a **pot-luck dinner!** Voting however, will be extended only to

existing leadership, for the small number of items requiring a vote. Your leadership team has been working hard preparing for this annual event & I'm sure you want to show your support and appreciation, hear their reports, and enjoy a time of food and fellowship together. I hope to see you there!

-Pastor Bonnie



Don't Let Halloween Spook You!

Did you know that the word 'Halloween' is actually a contraction? Like the way, 'do not' can be contracted to form 'don't'. Halloween is formed from the words, 'Hallows Eve.' Just as Christmas Eve refers to the day before Christmas, Hallows Eve refers to the day before All Hallows Day. You're not familiar with All Hallows Day? Well, you're not alone. Most folks today call it All Saints' Day. Hallowed means HOLY. Hallowed be Thy Name... ring a bell? Take a look at November 1 on your calendar. Most calendars will indicate that it's All Saints' Day! In the Roman Catholic Church, this day was originally known as All Hallows or Halloween; which is still celebrated on November 1st by most of Western Christianity (the first Sunday after Pentecost in Eastern Christianity) in honor of all the saints. In the Methodist Church, the word 'saints' refers to all Christians. Yes, YOU'RE a SAINT! On All Saints' Day, all members of the Church Universal as well as the deceased members of a local congregation, are honored and remembered. Our churches will be celebrating All Saints' Day (or All Hallows) on Sunday, November 4. But for now – back to Halloween (All Hallows Eve!) Have you ever heard the Pumpkin Prayer? It goes like this:

Dear Jesus, as I carve my pumpkin, help me pray this prayer...

Open my mind so I can learn about You. (cut off the top of the pumpkin)

Take all my sin and forgive the wrong that I do. (clean out the inside)

Open my eyes so Your love I will see. (cut out eyes)

I'm sorry for all the times I've turned up my nose at what You've given me. (cut out the nose)

Open my ears so that Your Word I will hear. (cut out the ears)

Open my mouth to tell others You're near. (cut out the mouth)

Let Your light shine in all I say and do! (put a candle inside the pumpkin and light it)

Amen.

So don't be afraid of Halloween... it's just the day before we celebrate all the SAINTS!

Blessings to You & Yours,

-Pastor Bonnie

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Clergy Academy	Clergy Academy	Clergy Academy	7am Check e-mail	Balloon Fiesta	
7am Check e-mail	7am Check e-mail	5:30pm Prep for Cha	8am Sermon Prep	7am Check e-mail	7am Check e-mail
8am Read Lectionar	8am Select Lectionar	9:30pm E-mail	7pm Draft Bulletins	8am Sermon Organiz	8am Emmaus BOD
4pm Los Alamos Em	9:30pm E-mail	10:30pm Daily Prayer	9:30pm E-mail	9:30am Water Aerobi	1pm Sermon Practice
9:30pm E-mail	10:30pm Daily Prayer		10:30pm Daily Prayer	10am Larry Castillo	3pm Prep for Charg
11pm Daily Prayers				12pm Print Bulletins	9:30pm E-mail
				1pm Mary Arrives!	
				5:30pm Emmaus Gat	
				10pm E-mail	
				10:30pm Daily Prayer	

Pastor Bonnie's Calendar, October 2012

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7:30am Preach	Columbus Day	7am Check e-mail	6:30am Emmaus Reu	7am Check e-mail	7am Check e-mail	7am Check e-mail
3pm Charge Confere	7am Check e-mail	8am Select Lectionar	9:30am Water Aerobi	8am Sermon Prep	8am Sermon Organiz	1pm Sermon Practice
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In Case You Hadn't Noticed...



In Case You Hadn't Noticed... Over the past month, or so, Alma Wimsatt has been very busy. It had come to our attention that the United Methodist Church sign in front of our church had not only been neglected, it was sadly out of date. Alma came to our rescue and started work on a tile project to put our new pastor's name, the time of our Sunday service and our website on white tiles. She also designed and built the door plaque for Pastor Bonnie's office door. Take a look, when you get a chance, and mention it to Alma the next time you see her.

THANKS, ALMA!

Wednesday Quilting Group

The quilting group is as active as ever and meets every Wednesday at 10:30 to sew, quilt and engage in a fellowship that has continued to grow. Recently they decided to begin holding fundraisers to gather funds to help our church. Their first goals are to replace the carpet in the Education Building and to repair the buckled floor in the kitchen that was damaged by a past leak.

The quilters invite, not only members of our church, but also members of the community as well as other churches to join them. They take turns providing lunch to all those who participate.



Barbara Kinney Preparing a Pattern

Mountainair UMC News



On Monday night, September 24, the Mountainair Community Chorus began rehearsals for the **2012 Christmas Cantata**. There is still plenty of room for more singers, so if you want to spend Monday evenings laughing and singing, come join us at the Mountainair Methodist Church at 6:30pm. All are welcome. The cantata will be presented on Sunday, December 16.



Please help us update our Prayer Chain

A prayer chain is a way for people to gain assistance in prayer for any serious and pressing problem. It is also a way for any person to act on God's command to love one another (John 13:34-35). Many people cannot engage directly in ministry but we can all pray. Many are older or ill themselves but can take the time to help others and to make their time valuable. Prayer is a way for us to reach out of ourselves, to put aside our loneliness and pain for the sake of another. Jesus teaches us that if we agree on anything and ask in faith it will be granted (Matthew 18:19). "I tell you, ask and you will receive..." (Luke 11:9, Matt. 7:7).

Our prayer chain consists of about 18 members of the congregation who are willing to receive phone requests for prayers for those in need, and who will pass on these requests to others.

When contacted for prayer, it is each persons responsibility to do two things:

- 1) pray for the person or situation requested.
- 2) call and pass the prayer request on to the next person.

We will pass around a sign up sheet for those who are willing to participate. There are currently seven vacancies on the list. If you would like to participate, please enter your name, phone number and email address. If you are on the list and would rather not be, just mark through your name.

*"Confess your faults one to another and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.
The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" James 5:16*



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 10:30:am Quilters	4	5	6
7 9 AM Worship 11 AM -Mtair CHARGE CONFERENCE	8	9 4:00:pm TRUSTEES	10 10:30:am Quilters	11	12	13
14 9 AM Worship 11 AM -Mtair	15	16	17 10:30:am Quilters	18	19	20 7:00AM Men's Breakfast
21 9 AM Worship 11 AM -Mtair	22	23	24 10:30:am Quilters	25	26	27
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"*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*" is a popular hymn sung by many Christian denominations.

Edward Perronet (1726 – 2 January 1792) was the son of an Anglican priest, who worked closely with Anglican priest John Wesley and his brother Charles Wesley for many years in England's eighteenth century revival.

He is perhaps most famous for penning the lyrics to the well known hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name".

The hymn is often called the "National Anthem of Christendom.". The lyrics, written by Edward Perronet while he served as a missionary in India, first appeared in the November, 1779 issue of the *Gospel Magazine*, which was edited by the author of "Rock of Ages", Augustus Toplady. The text has been translated into almost every (if not every) language in which Christianity is known. The best-known tunes used for the hymn are "Coronation" and "Miles Lane", with "Diadem" the favoured one in Australia, but there are a number of others. "Diadem" is also the most favoured tune sung as a choir number.



Edward Perronet (1726 – 1792)