

THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

March 27, 2018

All Are Welcome!



**Easter Sunday Worship:
April 1, 2018
9:00 A.M. in Upper Anderson
The weekly worship service of
Montreat Presbyterian Church**

Everyone is welcome! Please join us!

Our Calendar

Wed., Mar. 28	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Repeat Presentation of "An Easter Breviary" (Keith Grogg) <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Thu., Mar. 29	7:00 P.M.	Maundy Thursday Service Holy Communion <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Fri., Mar. 30	5:00 P.M.	Good Friday Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Apr. 1	9:00 A.M.	Easter Sunday Worship Service

		<i>Upper Anderson</i>
Wed., Apr. 4	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Frank Dimmock <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., Apr. 8	9:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Wed., Apr. 11	5:45 P.M.	Covered Dish Dinner <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Apr. 15	9:00 A.M.	Sunday Worship Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Tue., Apr. 17	10:00 A.M.	Women's Circle <i>Walkup Building</i>
Tue., Apr. 17	6:30 P.M.	Session Meeting <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Wed., April 18	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Cam Murchison <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

**Please share scheduling info with the office administrator
at office@montreatchurch.org,**

and be sure to check availability of times, places, and people
before scheduling events, meetings etc.

In order to streamline communication and avoid confusion,
**any requests made to the MRA on behalf of church programs
should come through the church office,**
and we will direct them to the appropriate contacts at MRA.

Montreat Wednesday Repeat Presentation: An Optional Prayer Discipline for the Easter Season



The Montreat Wednesday program on Wednesday, March 28 at 5:00 P.M. in the Allen Building will be a repeat presentation of

the introduction to *An Easter Breviary*.

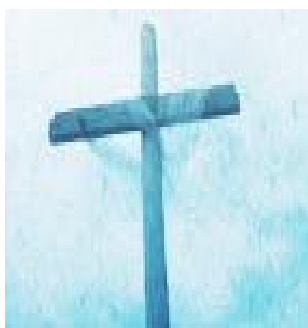
Weather conditions late in the day last Wednesday caused some not to be able to attend. The presentation is being repeated with no substantial changes. Of course, all are welcome, including those who would simply like to hear it again!

Under the direction of Catherine Gonzalez at Columbia Seminary, Keith Grogg has designed a breviary for the seven weeks of Easter, following the traditional pattern and geared toward contemporary life, using classics of Western devotional literature and some new liturgical sources.

MPC will make *An Easter Breviary* available online for each day during the seven weeks of this Easter season. **Those who request it** will receive each new day's cycle of readings in their email inbox in the wee hours. (Printed copies may be requested in advance.) Each daily breviary will contain links for seven short prayer services during the day, with suggested times for each. Contact the church office (office@montreatchurch.org) to be added to the list of recipients. **This is a separate list from the Weekly Montreat Memo. The breviary will be sent to all who specifically sign up for it.**

The presentation will be made on March 28 at 5:00 P.M. in the Swannanoa Room of the Allen Building, 304 Lookout Road in Montreat. Everyone is welcome!

Holy Week Services at Montreat Presbyterian Church



All services held in Upper Anderson.

March 29	Maundy Thursday	7:00 P.M.
March 30	Good Friday	5:00 P.M.
April 1	Easter Sunday	9:00 A.M.

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Two Community Holy Week Services

A late Maundy Thursday communion service officiated by Jacob Douylliez (First Presbyterian Church-Marion) and Keith Grogg (Montreat Presbyterian Church) will be held at Mica Town Brewery in Marion on Thursday, March 29 at 9:00 P.M.

Also, this **Friday, March 30**, First Baptist Church of Black Mountain will host an ecumenical Good Friday service for the whole community at noon. (No lunch will be served.) This service represents the completion of the weekly Lent cycle for 2018 sponsored by the Swannanoa Valley Ministerial Association.

Montreat Wednesday, April 4

Frank Dimmock, Africa Mission Specialist for The Outreach Foundation, will be our featured speaker on Wednesday, April 4, at 5:00 P.M. in the Allen Building. Having recently moved to Atlanta, Frank and Nancy and their family have been long-time members of Montreat Presbyterian Church (Frank is the brother of our own Martha Campbell).



Frank served the church in Africa for more than thirty years as a PC(USA) mission co-worker, focusing on ministries of health and development. Before joining the Outreach Foundation, he worked for four years with Presbyterian World Mission as the global poverty alleviation catalyst. Frank will bring his insightful perspective and decades of accumulated firsthand knowledge to illuminate the issues involved in his life's work. All are welcome! Please join us.

Thank You from PWNC Mission Committee

To the Congregation of the Montreat Presbyterian Church,

The members of the Mission Committee of the PWNC would like to thank you for your support of PCUSA Mission Co-workers Victor & Sara Makari and Elmarie & Scott Parker. We know that your support through financial gifts, prayers and your concern for the Mission Co-workers and those with whom they minister is a blessing for you and for Victor, Sara, Elmarie and Scott.

*Grateful for your partnership in the Gospel,
PWNC Mission Committee (Bob Abel, Blake Daniel, John Hinkle, Hal Bennett, Joyce Boyette, Ellen Dozier, Sue Johnson, Joanne Mitchell, Billy Robinson, Anne Morgan)*

Our Prayer List

The Montreat Presbyterian Church family is in prayer for...

Steve Alexander (Hugh's brother)

Micah Anderson (nephew of Olson & Marylyn's son Daniel Huff), 15, cancer

Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)

John Coffey (friend of the Grogg family)

Bob Cumming

Eddie Deas

Katie Dimmock

David Duncan

David Miller

Wendy Ricks (daughter of Herb Smith), lymphoma

Sam Sloan, recovering from hip surgery

Mia Topple, recovering from hip surgery

Maggie Tuggle

*Our love, sympathy and prayers surround Steve Hansel
and the whole family in the death of Jane Hansel,
and also the friends of Jim Burt in his passing last week.*

***The service for Jane Hansel will be held in the sanctuary of
First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa,
Tuesday, March 27, 1:00 P.M.,
followed by a reception hosted by
the MPC fellowship committee.***

We also lift up in prayer...

Victims of gun violence and their families and communities

Andrew Brunson, imprisoned EPC mission worker in Turkey

Victims of hunger, homelessness and poverty, here and everywhere

Kidnapped Nigerian girls and their families

Victims of harrassment and discrimination

Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar

SVCM, Bounty & Soul, and all food and shelter ministries

Children & Friends

OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti

Christ Community Church, our neighbors in ministry in Montreat

Ardrishaig Parish Church, our eco-partner church in Scotland

Kairos Prison Ministry

Celebrate Recovery

Victor and Sara Makari, our Mission Co-workers in Palestine

Elmarie & Scott Parker, our Mission Co-workers in the Middle East

If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the church office. Please also let us know when it is appropriate to remove the name from the prayer list.

Friends & Partners in Ministry

Prison Ministry Opportunities at Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women (SCCW):

General Prison Ministry Volunteer Training: Tuesday, April 24, 6:30-8:00 PM at SCCW, 55 Lake Eden Road, Black Mountain. This training introduces the participant to the facility and to the policies and regulations that govern volunteer activity at SCCW. Volunteers who complete this and who successfully pass a criminal background check are eligible to (a) participate in SCCW programs on a volunteer basis and (b) take residents out on community volunteer passes (to events like a church gathering or meal).

Yokefellow Prison Ministry Volunteer Training: Saturday, April 28, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM at First Christian Church, 201 Blue Ridge Road in Black Mountain. This training is specifically to orient the volunteer to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry program, which is a listening ministry of presence. The Yokefellow program is in prisons statewide, and the chaplain at SCCW would like to have it at SCCW. Residents at SCCW who have participated in Yokefellow at other prisons have requested it to be offered at SCCW.

If interested, and/or for more information, **please contact Priscilla Durkin** (828-419-5068 or chaplaindurkin@gmail.com)

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The Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry

As always, donations can be dropped off or monetary donations mailed to SVCM (please send monetary donations to P.O. Box 235). Drop off items 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. at 101 N. Ridgeway Avenue, Black Mountain, NC 28711. Thank You!

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The North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society will be in the beautiful city of Wilmington for its Spring Tour on Friday and Saturday, April 6-7. Tour will include historic churches and sites such as the magnificent Bellamy House Museum. Registration begins Friday at noon at Thalian Hall;

the cost is \$20. The schedule, registration form, and motel information will be on the website at www.ncphsociety.org after March 15, or contact Program Chair Steve McRae at smcrae@stevemcraelaw.com or (336) 693-1929. Transportation will be provided by van from Raleigh for \$15; if you would like a seat, please contact Barbara Cain, btcain@nc.rr.com, 919-782-0944.

Montreat Presbyterian Church



OUR MISSION

*In the fellowship of Jesus Christ we
Listen for the word of God in our lives
Love with open hearts and open minds
Walk the path of faith together
Serve others and
Welcome all.*

OUR VISION

*Led by the Holy Spirit
We proclaim the word of God
Through our ministry and mission.*

The Session

Olson Huff, Betsy Kirschner (2018)
Steve Hansel, Mary Jo Wright (2019)
Jane Alexander, Everett Culpepper (2020)
Moderator Keith Grogg (pastor)
Clerk Linda Hobson



Want to talk? Need a pastor? Come on in!

Call the office at 664-9212,
or email Keith at pastor@montreatchurch.org,
and we'll find a time that works.

Montreat Memo Submissions

The Memo is usually published on Tuesday or, occasionally, Monday. **Please submit items for the Memo by the Friday morning** before the week in which they are to appear. Thank you! (Articles submitted may be edited for accuracy, clarity or brevity.)

The Weekly Montreat Memo is sent from the Montreat Presbyterian Church office email account. **Responses intended for the pastor** may be sent to pastor@montreatchurch.org.

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