

# THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

May 1, 2018

**All Are Welcome!**



**Sunday Worship:  
May 6, 2018  
9:00 A.M. in Upper Anderson  
The weekly worship service of  
Montreat Presbyterian Church**

**Everyone is welcome! Please join us!**

## Our Calendar

<b>Wed., May 2</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Cam Murchison, Earth Care (3 of 4) "Our Relation to Animals" <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., May 6</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Worship Service</b> Guest Preacher: Billy Robinson Nickel-a-Meal Offering <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Tues., May 8</b>	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

- Wed., May 9**      **3:30 P.M.**      **Christian Education Committee**  
*Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.*
- Wed., May 9**      **5:00 P.M.**      **Montreat Wednesday**  
Cam Murchison, Earth Care (4 of 4)  
"Before the Flood -  
the Movie and the Biblical Story"  
*Upper Anderson*
- Sun., May 13**      **9:00 A.M.**      **Sunday Worship Service**  
Congregational Meeting  
*Upper Anderson*
- Tue., May 15**      **10:00 A.M.**      **Women's Circle**  
*Walkup Building*
- Tue., May 15**      **6:30 P.M.**      **Session Meeting**  
*Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.*
- Sun., May 20**      **9:00 A.M.**      **Sunday Worship Service**  
Last service in Upper Anderson until  
August 12 | Pentecost Offering  
*Upper Anderson*
- Sun., May 27**      **11:00 A.M.**      **Kirkin' o' the Tartan Worship Service**  
John Rogers preaching  
*Anderson Auditorium*

**Please share scheduling info with the office administrator  
at [office@montreatchurch.org](mailto: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, May 2**



There are two more presentations in the four-part series on the **Biblical and Theological Explorations of Our Place In and Care For God's Creation** presented by Cam Murchison, Earth Care Theologian for Montreat Presbyterian Church.

May 2     Our Relation to Animals

May 9     *After the Flood* - the movie and the  
Biblical story

(Note that May 9 is a follow-up to the viewing we held last fall. It is not necessary to have seen the movie before attending this event.)

Please join us in the Allen Building (304 Lookout Road, Montreat), 5:00-6:00 P.M. All are welcome!

## Notes from the Pastor's Desk

**This Sunday, May 6, we are pleased to welcome to our pulpit the Rev. Billy Robinson**, Presbytery Associate in the Presbytery of Western North Carolina! Billy is married to the Rev. Mary Katherine Robinson (Black Mountain Presbyterian Church) and they have three children.



I have been invited to preach this Sunday at the church where I grew up (Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, Illinois), and so will be away for the week-end (back by Tuesday morning). **In the event of an emergency requiring pastoral care this Friday through Monday, please contact Clerk of Session Linda Hobson (704-898-1898)** and she will connect someone with you.

**Called Congregational Meeting:  
Sunday, May 13, immediately following worship**



Each year, in accordance with the PC(USA) Book of Order and our Manual of Administrative Operations, we call a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of **electing members to the Nominating Committee**, which is tasked with identifying and presenting a slate of nominees for the next year's session class.

The session has called the meeting to elect members to the Nominating Committee for Sunday, May 13 immediately following the 9:00 A.M. worship service. **The nominees being presented to serve on the nominating committee are Bill McCaskill, Janie Moore, and Bob Shaw.**

The congregationally elected members of the Nominating Committee will join **Jane Alexander and Betsy Kirschner**, who are (in accord with the Book of Order and MAO) the two elders appointed to it by the session.

Also, to make sure we have met our legal responsibility to have done so, we will hold a very brief meeting of the corporation at the same time.

## Summer Worship Schedule



We have three more Sunday Worship Services in Upper Anderson, and then we will begin our schedule for the summer months! Our weekly services will return to Upper Anderson on Sunday, August 12.

<b>Sun., May 27</b>	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Kirkin' o' the Tartan</b> <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
<b>June 3-Aug. 5</b>	<b>10:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Summer Worship Series</b> <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
<b>June 16-July 28</b>	<b>10:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Saturday Morning Worship</b> Doors open at 10:30; 30-minute service begins at 11:00 A.M. <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

Our own **Rev. John Rogers** will be the preacher for the Kirkin' service on May 27. [Click here](#) to see the roster of preachers for the Summer Worship Series in Anderson Auditorium. Our pastor, Keith Grogg, works closely with the summer worship team in crafting liturgy and leading worship.

## Friends & Partners in Ministry

### **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!

## 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

Robert Boer

Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)

John Coffey (friend of the Grogg family)

Bob Cumming

Eddie Deas

Katie Dimmock

David Duncan

Bill Grogg

David Miller

Gordon Neville

Wendy Ricks

Maggie Tuggle

### *We also lift up in prayer...*

Andrew Brunson, (imprisoned EPC mission worker in Turkey), next hearing set for May 7

Those most vulnerable to hunger, homelessness and poverty

Victims of terror, harassment, oppression and violence

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

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

Ardrishaig Parish Church, our eco-partner church in Scotland

High school and college seniors and their parents and families

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

Children & Friends

OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti

Kairos Prison Ministry

*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.*

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:pastor@montreatchurch.org).

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