

THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

July 10, 2018

All Are Welcome!



**Saturday Morning Worship:
11:00 A.M. in the Allen Building (304 Lookout Road)
Doors open at 10:30 A.M. for fellowship**

**Sunday Morning Worship:
10:30 A.M. in Anderson Auditorium
The worship service of
Montreat Conference Center
and Montreat Presbyterian Church**

Everyone is welcome! Please join us!

Our Calendar

Sat., July 14	11:00 A.M.	Saturday Morning Worship Priscilla Durkin, worship leader Doors open at 10:30 for fellowship <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., July 15	10:30 A.M.	Summer Worship Series The Rev. Meg Peery McLaughlin <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>

Sat., July 21	11:00 A.M.	Saturday Morning Worship Doors open at 10:30 for fellowship Service for Wholeness <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., July 22	10:30 A.M.	Summer Worship Series Dr. Donyelle McCray <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
Sat., July 28	11:00 A.M.	Saturday Morning Worship Doors open at 10:30 for fellowship Holy Communion <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., July 29	10:30 A.M.	Summer Worship Series The Rev. Mark Ramsey <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
Sun., Aug. 5	10:30 A.M.	Summer Worship Series The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Bryan <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
Sun., Aug. 12	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</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.

Pastoral Care Needs July 8-21

During the next two weeks, Pastor Keith Grogg will be away from the office, participating in D.Min. studies. **In the case of emergency pastoral care needs, please contact Clerk of Session, Linda Hobson at 704-898-1898.** She will connect you with appropriate pastoral care.

**Sunday Worship Time Change
Beginning Sunday, August 12
10:00 A.M.**



In response to much input from our congregation and community, the session has voted to move our Sunday morning worship services to 10:00 A.M. beginning August 12 when we return to Upper Anderson.

This decision has come about after years of discussions, formal and informal, within various committees of the church and in close partnership with the Montreat Conference Center, whose support has been crucial to this discernment. Numbers of faithful congregants are reporting that a 10:00 start time makes it possible for them to continue coming to worship, whereas the earlier hour had become an impediment. We also receive a steady stream of input from supporters of our church who are more able, or inclined, to attend a 10:00 service.

It is our hope and belief that this adaptation will allow all congregants an easier path to worship while increasing accessibility and enabling even more people to come and see what God is doing in Montreat Presbyterian Church.

**Saturday Morning Worship
This Saturday, July 14, 11:00 A.M.**

All are welcome at Montreat Presbyterian Church's **Saturday Morning Worship** services. We meet in the Swannanoa Room in the Allen Building (304 Lookout Road, Montreat). Saturday services are held weekly through the end of July.

Doors open at 10:30 A.M. for fellowship and light refreshments. Worship begins at 11:00 and lasts about 35 minutes.

Come as you are; dress however you are most comfortable. **All are Welcome!**

A Service for Wholeness will be held on July 21.
Holy Communion will be celebrated on July 28.



**Summer Worship Series
Sundays in Anderson Auditorium
10:30 A.M.**



The Summer Worship Series in Anderson Auditorium extends through Sunday, August 5 with a wonderful line-up of distinguished preachers. [Click here](#) to see the **impressive preaching roster** for the 2018 Summer Worship Series.

Our pastor, Keith Grogg, works as a member of the worship team throughout the summer in crafting liturgy and leading worship.

Our weekly services will return to Upper Anderson on Sunday, August 12.

Hope for the Future Apartment

If you signed up to provide household items for our **Hope for the Future Apartment**, please make arrangements with Linda Hobson 704-898-1898 or Anne Rogers 828-707-3475 to get your items to the apartment. We want to have the apartment ready for a family when SVCM makes a housing assignment.

Things We Need:

1. Lamps - floor or table
2. Small patio table and chairs
3. Donations to cover the cost of purchased furnishings. Make checks out to MPC with Hope for the Future on the tag line.

Prior to a family moving in, there will be an Open a House for our church to come see the apartment.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

*I hope summer is providing you some opportunities for ease and renewal and either precious time with loved ones or blessed solitude, or both. I will be away from my desk this week and next as I continue D.Min. studies through Columbia Seminary. **If you need emergency pastoral care while I am away, please call Clerk of Session Linda Hobson at 704-898-1898, and she will connect you with someone.***



*One other quick word: the **excellent documentary about Fred Rogers** (that's "Mr. Rogers" to me), *Won't You Be My Neighbor*, is still*

playing in theaters, and it's a joy to celebrate a Presbyterian minister who has had such a profound and loving influence on so many.

*I look forward to being with you again upon my return--my summer calendar appears below--and I am particularly looking forward to being with folks on August 12 when we resume our weekly Sunday worship in Upper Anderson at **our new worship time of 10:00 A.M.***

K.G.

July 8-14: D.Min. studies in New York City

July 15-20: D.Min. studies in Washington, D.C.

Saturday, July 21

Saturday Morning Worship leader, Allen Building, 11:00 A.M.

Sunday, July 22

Worship Team, Anderson Auditorium, 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday, July 25

Montreat Summer Club, Upper Anderson, 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, July 28

Saturday Morning Worship leader, Allen Building, 11:00 A.M.

Sunday, July 29

Worship Team, Anderson Auditorium, 10:30 A.M.

Hymn Sing in Assembly Inn Lobby, 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 5

Worship Team, Anderson Auditorium, 10:30 A.M.

Friends & Partners in Ministry

Conferees, Cottagers, Friends...

Share your **Second Loaf**

Each Saturday at Black Mountain
Presbyterian Church 8am- 11

Left over food: sealed, opened, prepared
Donate for immediate distribution to families in need

Drop off your leftover food at Black Mountain Presbyterian Church
8:00-11:00 A.M. on Saturdays through August 4 **except for July 7.**

Second Loaf is a joint mission of Mountain Retreat Association, Montreat
Volunteers, and Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministries.



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

David Duncan

Ruth Faulkner (Jane Anderson's sister)

Bill Grogg, cancer treatment recovery

Bob Martin, recovering from pneumonia

Les McLean

David Miller

Betsy Neville

Gordon Neville, recovering at home
Wendy Ricks
Lily Rogers, hip surgery
Joe Standaert
Maggie Tuggle

We also lift up in prayer...

Refugees and displaced persons

Andrew Brunson (imprisoned EPC mission worker in Turkey), next hearing scheduled July 18.

All who are traveling

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

Montreat Conference Center and Youth Conference participants

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

Children & Friends

OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti

Kairos Prison Ministry

Celebrate Recovery

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,
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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