

# THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

September 25, 2018

**All Are Welcome!**



**Sunday Worship, September 30**  
**10:00 A.M. in *Anderson Auditorium***  
**Everyone is welcome! Please join us!**

**We will return to Upper Anderson next Sunday.**

## Our Calendar

<b>Wed., Sept. 26</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Cathie & Frank Dodson <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Thu., Sept. 27</b>	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Sept. 30</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> Peace & Global Witness Offering <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>
<b>Wed., Oct. 3</b>	<b>5:45 P.M.</b>	<b>Stewardship Kickoff &amp; Covered Dish Dinner</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Thu., Oct. 4</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thursday Morning Bible Study</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

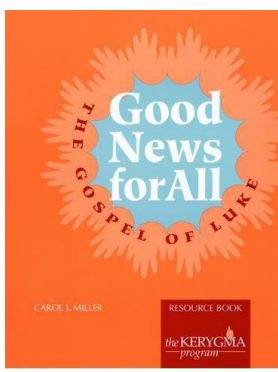
<b>Thu., Oct. 4</b>	<b>3:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Evangelism &amp; Membership Committee Meeting</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Oct. 7</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> Holy Communion Nickel-a-Meal Offering Congregational Meeting <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Oct. 7</b>	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Hymn Sing</b> Vivian Hare & Keith Grogg <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Wed., Oct. 10</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Jeanie DuBose & Keith Grogg <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Fri., Oct. 12</b>	<b>2:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Bob Martin Service of Witness to the Resurrection</b> <i>Warren Wilson Pres. Church</i>
<b>Sun., Oct. 14</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Oct. 14</b>	<b>1:30 P.M.</b>	<b>SVCM Walk for Hunger</b> <i>Registration at First Baptist Church, Black Mtn.</i>
<b>Tue., Oct. 16</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Women's Circle</b> <i>Walkup Building</i>
<b>Tue., Oct. 16</b>	<b>6:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

**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 Wednesdays  
5:00 P.M. in the Allen Building**



We will conclude the Montreat Wednesday portion of our Luke study this Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 5:00 P.M. in the Allen Building with **Cathie & Frank Dodson** presenting!

The **Thursday morning Bible Study** will then pick up the thread of our Luke study beginning Thursday, Oct. 4, 10:00 A.M. in the Allen Building.

The Kerygma book on Luke's Gospel, *Good News for All*, is a guiding resource for our leaders (purchase optional).

Please join us! As always, **All are welcome!**

## **Stewardship Kick-off Covered Dish Dinner Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 5:45 P.M.**

**We hope everyone will plan to join us in Upper Anderson for a great dinner and a festive beginning to our stewardship emphasis season!**

In addition to enjoying food and fellowship together, our great creative team spearheaded by Janie Moore, Nancy Midgette and Priscilla Durkin is cooking up a great program for us. More info forthcoming! Watch this space.

## **Congregational Meeting to Elect Ruling Elders Sunday, October 7, 2018 after worship**

With thanks to our Nominating Committee of Jane Alexander, Betsy Kirschner, Bill McCaskill, Janie Moore and Bob Shaw, **the session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, Oct. 7**, immediately following the 10:00 A.M. worship service, for the purpose of electing elders to the session to take office in January, 2019.

The nominees presented by the committee are **Mason Blake** and **Beth Fountain**. We are grateful to Beth and Mason for the prayerful consideration they have given to their nominations.

## **SVCM Walk for Hunger October 14, 2018**

**WE NEED YOU to help support the 2018 WALK FOR HUNGER.**

Our team captain this year is Jan McRae and she has taken her responsibility to the extremes by just completing a three week walk with her sister, Beth, across northern Spain.



Before and after church for the next two weeks you can sign up to walk and or financially support this great community mission. The walk will be on Sunday October 14 at 2:00.

## Presbyterian Disaster Assistance



**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER  
ASSISTANCE**

**OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE**

PDA is delivering immediate aid to those impacted by Hurricane Florence. Initial assessment suggests catastrophic destruction, but the full scope of the damage will not be known for many months.

PDA is deploying teams to affected presbyteries to meet with Presbyterian and community leadership to assist in coordinating relief efforts and mucking out homes and churches. After initial needs are addressed, PDA will remain - providing spiritual and emotional care and long-term recovery to address the unmet needs of those impacted. Through your prayerful gifts, we draw hope out of the chaos.

## Congratulations!

Two people who are dear to this congregation are marking milestones in their ordained ministries.

**Betsy Ray**, upon successful completion of all requirements for ordination as Teaching Elder/Minister of Word & Sacrament, has been certified ready to receive a call and soon will be ordained as Stated Supply for First Presbyterian Church in Old Fort!

And **William Wilson**, who began serving First Presbyterian Church in Kilgore, TX some months ago, will be officially installed as pastor this Sunday, with Howard Edington preaching the installation service!

Thanks and praise be to God for the dynamic ministries of these new pastors and for the faithful witness of the churches they serve.

## Friends & Partners in Ministry





**Our friends at Bounty & Soul remind us that September is Hunger Action Month.** Montreat Presbyterian Church is proud to support SVCM, Bounty & Soul, the Nickel-a-Meal Offering, and other food ministries.

**Think the opioid overdose epidemic doesn't affect you?**

**Think again.**

**LEARN HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF**



In conjunction with Black Mountain United Methodist Church



**Sunday, October 21**

**2:00 - 4:00 PM**

at

**Lakeview Senior Center**

401 Laurel Cir Dr, Black Mountain, NC 28711

What to Expect

2:00 - 2:15 P.M.

Refreshments and introduction

2:15 - 3:15 P.M.

Presentation on opioid misuse, addiction and overdose

*With Joe Wilkerson, LPC, LCAS*

*Jerry Bryson, LPC, LCAS*

*and Officer Joe Moore, Black Mountain Police Department*

3:15 - 4:00 P.M.

Community Q & A

Questions? Call us at 828-669-9798 or email us at [ashley@blackmountaincounseling.org](mailto:ashley@blackmountaincounseling.org)

Black Mountain Counseling Center is a 501©3 nonprofit organization. All donations are tax deductible.

With help from [KaBOOM.org](http://KaBOOM.org) and others, **Black Mountain Primary School** is looking to build a new playground **in one day** on Oct. 6, and they're looking for volunteers to help! Please visit their site [here](#) for more information and to sign up.





## 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...*

Becky Anderson (Sadlers' niece), urgent need for kidney transplant  
Penka Antista (friend of the Schell family), cancer  
Robert Boer, continuing chemo treatments  
Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)  
Robbin Buchanan (presbytery office)  
Bob Cumming  
David Duncan  
Michael Durkin (Priscilla's children's father), hospitalized with pneumonia  
Sarah Feely (sister of Margaret Neale), acute leukemia  
Steve Hansel, shingles  
Derek Hudson (friend of the Tutterows), rare kidney disease, receiving chemo  
Marylyn Huff, compression fracture  
Olson Huff  
Billie Martin and family  
Les McLean  
Ryan McLeod (friend of the Schell family), head injury  
David Miller  
Betsy Neville  
Gordon Neville  
Margaret Rada  
Joe Rand, recovering from a fall  
John Roark  
Lily Rogers  
Phyllis Sadler, recovering from surgery after a fall  
Maggie Tuggle

Our deepest love and sympathy are extended  
to Billie Martin and the entire family of Bob & Billie.  
**The memorial service for Bob Martin will be held**  
**Friday, Oct. 12, 2:30 P.M.**  
**at Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church,**

where thier son Rob was pastor for many years.

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

Hurricane victims and all who are displaced  
Andrew Brunson (EPC mission worker in Turkey under house arrest)  
Mass shooting victims  
Victims of war and terror in Yemen, Myanmar and elsewhere  
Military personnel stationed far from home  
Carolina Beach Presbyterian Church and all houses of worship and families  
of faith impacted by the hurricane

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  
Children & Friends  
OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti  
12 Baskets, a program of the Asheville Poverty Initiative  
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.

## **Memo Submissions and Responses**

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).

The Memo is usually published on Tuesday. **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.)

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