

THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

October 23, 2018

All Are Welcome!



**Sunday Worship, October 28
10:00 A.M. in Upper Anderson
Everyone is welcome! Please join us!**

Our Calendar

Wed., Oct. 24	10:00 A.M.	Staff Meeting <i>Church Office</i>
Wed., Oct. 24	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Marisol Jiménez, Immigrant Incarceration <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Thu., Oct. 25	10:00 A.M.	Thursday Morning Bible Study Mark Achtemeier <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., Oct. 28	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Oct. 28	4:00 P.M.	Highland Farms Worship Vivian Hare & Keith Grogg <i>Highland Farms</i>
Sun., Oct. 28	5:45 P.M.	Stewardship Celebration Dinner <i>Upper Anderson</i>

Wed., Oct. 31	1:30 P.M.	Officer Training <i>Pastor's Study</i>
Wed., Oct. 31	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Ron Vinson, Montreat in WWII <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Thu., Nov. 1	10:00 A.M.	Thursday Morning Bible Study <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Fri., Nov. 2	1:30 P.M.	Officer Training <i>Pastor's Study</i>
Sun., Nov. 4	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship Holy Communion Nickel-a-Meal Offering <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Nov. 4	Time TBA	First Sunday Hymn Sing <i>Location TBA</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 Series Continues Oct. 24

**Montreat Presbyterian Church's Montreat Wednesday Series
Oct. 17-Nov. 14, 2018**

"I WAS IN PRISON, AND..."

(Matthew 25:31-46)

**Incarceration through the lens
of Christian faith and discipleship**

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - Immigrant Incarceration

Marisol Jiménez, founder of Tepeyac Consulting, will present the facts of the humanitarian crisis of immigrant incarceration.

Wednesday, Oct. 31 - Montreat in WWII

Presbyterian Heritage Center director **Ron Vinson** will speak to the various questions that are asked about Montreat's role in housing international families during World War II.

Wednesday, Nov. 7 - The Andrew Brunson Case

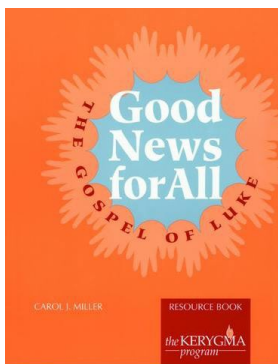
Richard White, pastor of Christ Community Church who has attended some of the court proceedings, will discuss the detention and incarceration of EPC missionary Andrew Brunson in Turkey.

Wednesday, Nov. 14 - Book Talk: Just Mercy

Educator **Jane Alexander** will moderate a discussion of the memoir *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson, founder of the Equal Justice Initiative, "a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system." It is not necessary to have read the book; those who have will be encouraged to bring their thoughts.

**Montreat Wednesdays are held
5:00-6:00 P.M. in the Allen Building,
304 Lookout Road, Montreat. All are welcome!**

Thursday Morning Bible Study 10:00 A.M. in the Allen Building



The Thursday Morning Bible Study continues this Thursday, Oct. 25. Mark Achtemeier will be presenting the 8th chapter in the Kerygma book, looking at Luke 11:37-53; 12; 13:1-9.

The Luke study takes place each Thursday morning through Dec. 13 (excluding Thanksgiving Day), 10:00-11:15 A.M. in the Allen Building. As always: **All are welcome!**

Stewardship Dedication Service This Sunday, Oct. 28, 10:00 A.M. in Upper Anderson and Stewardship Celebration Dinner This Sunday at 5:45 P.M. in Upper Anderson

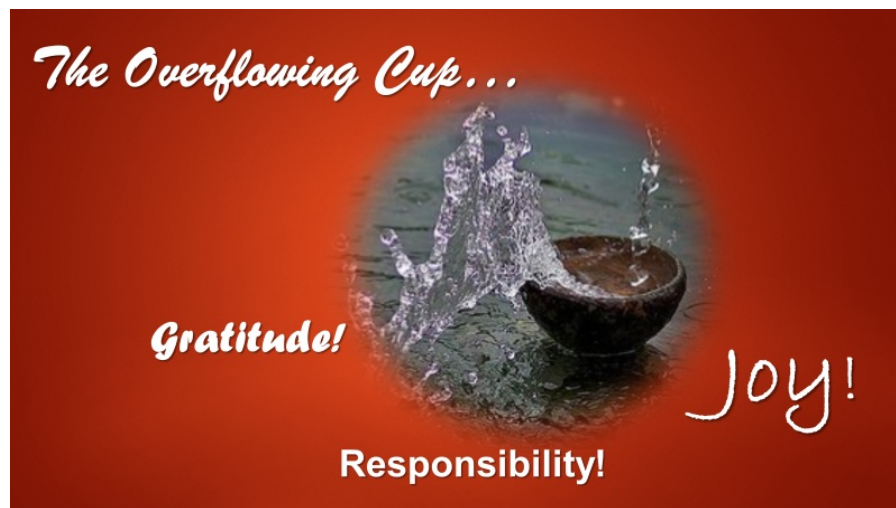
During our regular Sunday morning worship service, congregants who wish to do so will have an opportunity

to bring their estimated giving cards forward as a prayerful act of worship.

Those cards will only be seen by the treasurer. Cards will be available before the service for those who don't have one handy.

ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD	
ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD	TAKE ONE STEP UP . . . FOR CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH
	<small>In response to God's love and as a concrete expression of my faith in and commitment to Christ and his church, I plan to TAKE ONE STEP UP in my giving.</small>
	<input type="checkbox"/> STEP UP BEYOND TITHING <small>My desire is to do more than God's minimum.</small>
	<input type="checkbox"/> STEP UP TO TITHING <small>I will give 1/10 of my income to God's work.</small>
	<input type="checkbox"/> STEP UP TOWARD TITHING <small>I am not yet a tither, but I will move toward that goal.</small>
	<input type="checkbox"/> MY COMMITMENT IS \$ _____ per week
	<input type="checkbox"/> <small>This represents an increase over last year.</small>
	Name _____ Date _____
	Address _____ Apt. No. _____ Phone (____) _____
	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
<small>This commitment may be revised or canceled at any time at my request.</small>	

What each household estimates they can give is a decision between that household and God which no one else is in a position to judge. We understand that circumstances can change during the year; this is not a "pledge" but simply an estimate of what you hope to be able to contribute financially in 2019. Knowing the total amount of estimated congregational giving for next year will dramatically help the finance committee and the session to be able to plan a responsible 2019 budget. **Cards can also be brought or mailed to the office**--as soon as possible, please, so that well-informed budget planning can get underway immediately.



The dinner on Sunday evening is catered and there is no charge; there is no need to bring any food. Just please come and enjoy our extended church family! Our dinner will come from Okie Dokie and there will be a vegetarian option. **In accordance with our commitment to being an Earth Care congregation,** everyone is invited to bring plates, utensils etc. that can be taken home, washed and reused.

Please come and join the celebration!

Walk for Hunger Update

Thank you to those who supported the 2018 SVCM Walk for Hunger Relief, through participation and/or financial gifts. We had 25 walkers, two dogs, and raised \$1400!



Stock Transfer Information for Gifts to MPC

The following is updated information that your Financial Advisor will need in order to transfer stock to the church's account at Merrill Lynch:

Merrill Lynch
One North Pack Square, 2nd Floor
Asheville, NC 28802

The account is listed as Montreat Presbyterian Church,
Account #702-02200,
and the DTC # is 8862.

Daniel Hewitt is the Financial Advisor for the account
(daniel_hewitt@ml.com).

The contact information for his Client Associate, Shelly Hillman, is:
828-258-4444 or shelly.hillman@ml.com.

Please advise Shelly, as well as the church treasurer
(treasurer@montreatchurch.org),
about securities gifts before they are transferred.

Presbyterian Women Christmas Event Volunteers Needed, Dec. 8



Volunteers are needed to help with the Christmas event for Hope House and SVCM families on Saturday, Dec. 8 at in the Walkup Building. Please find information on the activities for that day, [here](#). If you would like to volunteer, please contact Cathie Dodson: dodsons3@aol.com or (318) 834-3314.

A Note from Marylyn & Olson Huff

To our church family:

Words are simply inadequate to express to you our deep gratitude for your welcome cards, earnest prayers, delicious food, delightful visits and mantle of loving care that has held us in your embrace as we have faced these last few weeks of challenges to our health. Truly, you are the hands and heart of the living Christ and our lives are so richly blessed by your witness to His gifts of love.

Thank you, dear friends. We look forward to both being with you in worship and fellowship very soon!

Marylyn and Olson

Fall and Winter MPC Calendar

Some upcoming events in the Fall-Winter schedule.
All are welcome! Please join us!

Sun., Oct. 28	5:45 P.M.	Catered Celebration Dinner <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Nov. 4	TBD	First Sunday Hymn Sing <i>Location TBD</i>
Thu., Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Day	11:00 A.M.	Thanksgiving Service (e. 30 mins.) <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Dec. 2	10:00 A.M.	Advent 1: Service of Hanging of the Greens <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Dec. 2	TBD	First Sunday Hymn Sing <i>Location TBD</i>
Sun., Dec. 9	10:00 A.M.	Advent 2: Service of Hope & Remembrance <i>Upper Anderson</i>

Sun., Dec. 16	10:00 A.M.	Advent 3: Service of Lessons & Carols <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Dec. 16	5:30 P.M.	Gathering for Christmas Caroling <i>Montreat Gate</i>
Sun., Dec. 23	10:00 A.M.	Advent 4 Worship Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Mon., Dec. 24	5:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>

Friends & Partners in Ministry

KNOWING YOUR RESOURCES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018 3:00-4:30 P.M.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
900 BLYTHE STREET, HENDERSONVILLE NC

Want to learn more about . . .

Adult Ministry
The Bible & Bible Studies
Caring Ministry
Children's Ministry
Environmental Stewardship
Growth & Renewal
Intergenerational Resources
Management & Organization
Seasonal Resources

Social Justice & Mission
Spiritual Practice
Stewardship & Finance
Sunday School Curriculum
& Teacher Helps
Technology & Social Media
Worship
Youth & Young Adults



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Please RSVP by 10/31 to
828.438.4217 or email
twilliams@presbyterywnc.org
to confirm your attendance.

Hosted by PWNC's
Christian Education Committee



Our Prayer List

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

Kat Achtemeier, recovering from hand surgery
Becky Anderson (Sadlers' niece), urgent need for kidney transplant
Robert Boer
Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)
Robbin Buchanan
Bob Cumming

David Duncan
Sarah Feely (sister of Margaret Neale), acute leukemia
Bunky Grubbs (Jane Anderson's sister)
Derek Hudson (friend of the Tutterows), rare kidney disease, receiving
chemo
Marylyn Huff
Les McLean
David Miller
Betsy Neville
Gordon Neville
Margaret Rada
John Roark
Lily Rogers
Gabriel Schell, recovery from elbow surgery after a bad fall
Herb Smith, at Givens Highland Farms, recovering from hip replacement
Maggie Tuggle

We also lift up in prayer...

AmeriCorps NCCC Bayou Team, deployed to Nichols, NC
Survivors of sexual assault
Victims of war and terror in Yemen, Myanmar and elsewhere
Military personnel stationed far from home
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
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,
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.

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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