

# The Weekly Montreat Memo

The Weekly eNewsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

November 6, 2018

**All Are Welcome!**



**Sunday Worship, November 11  
10:00 A.M. in Upper Anderson  
Everyone is welcome! Please join us!**

## Our Calendar

<b>Wed., Nov. 7</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Richard White on the Andrew Brunson Case <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Thu., Nov. 8</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thursday Morning Bible Study</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Thu., Nov. 8</b>	<b>3:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Evangelism &amp; Membership Committee</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Nov. 11</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> Joined by First Pres.-Charlotte David LaMotte preaching <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Tue., Nov. 13</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Women's Circle</b>

		<i>Walkup Building</i>
<b>Tue., Nov. 13</b>	<b>6:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Wed., Nov. 14</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Jane Alexander, Book Discussion of <i>Just Mercy</i> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Thu., Nov. 15</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thursday Morning Bible Study</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Nov. 18</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Thu., Nov. 22</b>	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Service</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Nov. 25</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Wed., Nov. 28</b>	<b>2:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Christian Education Committee</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Wed., Nov. 28</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> Mark Achtemeier: Advent (1 of 2) <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Thu., Nov. 29</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thursday Morning Bible Study</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 Wednesday Series Continues Oct. 31**

**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

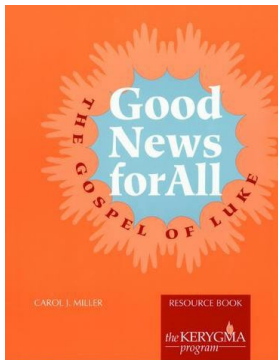
### **Wednesday, Nov. 7, 5:00 P.M. in Upper Anderson: The Andrew Brunson Case**

As we celebrate and give thanks to God for the release of EPC missionary Andrew Brunson from arrest and detention in Turkey, **Richard White**, pastor of Christ Community Church, who was there as Andrew's pastor to witness the court proceedings, will bring us his insights and firsthand knowledge. **This Montreat Wednesday presentation will be held in Upper Anderson** and, as with all of our programming, all are welcome to attend.

### **Wednesday, Nov. 14, 5:00 P.M. in the Allen Building 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. This presentation will be held in the Allen Building.

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



**The Thursday Morning Bible Study** continues this Thursday, Nov. 8. Priscilla Durkin will be presenting the 10th chapter in the Kerygma book, looking at Luke 16-19:1-27.

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!**

## **Women's Circle**

At our **November 13 Circle Meeting**, we will be discussing Lesson Three of *God's Promise: I Am with You* on Joshua and Haggai.

Please bring your gifts for the W.D. Williams family we adopted. We have the items requested for the little girl, except for a coat. She wears a size 6-7 and is in first grade. since we asked for a smaller family, the guidance counselor saw that her brother was adopted by another group. The parents most needed/requested item was long underwear and Sally Woodard is taking care of that. We have a few other items for the parents. Both wear large shirts, if you wish to get them something.



We are also looking forward to the **Christmas event for Hope House and SVCM families on Saturday, Dec. 8, 10:30-12:30** in the Walkup Building. Please find information on the activities for that day [here](#). Volunteers are needed on Friday, Dec. 7, 2:00-4:00 P.M. and Saturday, Dec. 8, 9:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Cathie Dodson: [dodsons3@aol.com](mailto:dodsons3@aol.com) or (318) 834-3314.

## New MPC Promotional Items



We have new MPC stickers, magnets and tote bags! As these items have been given out to welcome new members, we've exhausted the last of our supplies! The new editions feature our church's name and logo along with the PC(USA) cross. If you would like to add any of these items to your collection, they'll be available at the church office. Suggested donations to defray costs are \$2 for a sticker or car magnet and \$3 for a bag. The Earth Care committee endorses reusable bags for grocery shopping to reduce the number of plastic bags produced.

## From the Earth Care Committee: Montreat's Firewise Initiative

**The Earth Care Committee would like to make everyone aware of Montreat's Firewise Initiative.**

**Montreat has plenty of fuel for a fast-spreading wildfire - in particular, leaves, mountain laurel and rhododendron. Our initiative is designed to raise awareness among Montreat residents and to encourage each other to do what we can to reduce the potential for a destructive fire.**



Autumn is the time to think about two things:

**1. Getting the loose brush and leaves away from your house!**

Every house needs at least a 10-foot perimeter that is brush-free. Remember that the town will remove small piles of brush placed near the street every other Wednesday. Leaves, twigs, etc., should be placed in the bio-degradable brown paper bags that are readily available at Town Hardware, Lowe's, and many other places.

**2. Reporting the hours that you spent working in your yard this summer to prune, clear, etc.**

Please send an email to Nancy Midgette (midgette@elon.edu) letting her know about how many hours you worked. These hours will help support our application to become a Firewise community.

## 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](mailto:daniel_hewitt@ml.com)).

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

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

## Fall and Winter MPC Calendar

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

<b>Thu., Nov. 22</b> Thanksgiving Day	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Service</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 2</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Advent 1: Service of Hanging of the Greens</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 2</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>First Sunday Hymn Sing</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 9</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Advent 2: Service of Hope &amp; Remembrance</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 16</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Advent 3: Service of Lessons &amp; Carols</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 16</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Christmas Caroling</b> <i>Gather at Montreat Gate</i>
<b>Sun., Dec. 23</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Advent 4 Worship Service</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Mon., Dec. 24</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Service</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>

## Tom Frist Highlighted



Davidson College recently published an article about Tom Frist on their web page *Game Changers: Inspiring Leaders to Transform the World*. Check it out by clicking [here](#).

## Friends & Partners in Ministry



As we enter into the winter months SCVM is once again in need of some items for their clients. If you have any **blankets, coats and or space heaters** you could donate you may bring them to church and we will deliver them.



**Sunday, Nov. 25 at 4:00 P.M. in the Graham Chapel, Montreat**

All choral singers invited!

Rehearsals are Tuesdays Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13 and Nov. 20  
in the Chapel of the Prodigal in Montreat, from 6:30-8:30 P.M.

Admission is free; donations are warmly welcomed. For tax-deductible  
donation information, please click [here](#) and visit the Donations page.

For information or questions, you can email me  
at [robert@messiahinmontreat.org](mailto:robert@messiahinmontreat.org).

Robert Boer, director

## 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  
Terri Cornellier Jennison & her husband Cliff, recovering from car accident  
David Duncan  
Sarah Feely (sister of Margaret Neale), acute leukemia  
Derek Hudson (friend of the Tutterows)  
Marylyn Huff  
Les McLean  
David Miller  
Kitty Neil  
Betsy Neville  
Gordon Neville  
Margaret Rada  
Dick Ray  
John Roark  
Gabe Schell  
Herb Smith  
Maggie Tuggle  
Cis Wilde

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

Refugees of war, famine and violence seeking asylum  
Victims of war and terror in Yemen, Myanmar and elsewhere  
All who are traveling  
Tree of Life Synagogue, Pittsburgh  
Victims of racial violence  
Candidates for public office and their families

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](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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