

# THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The Weekly eNewsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA

December 27, 2018

**All Are Welcome!**



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

## Our Calendar

<b>Sun., Dec. 30</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Mon., Dec. 31</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Watch Night Service</b> <i>Graham Chapel in Gaither Hall</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 6</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship:</b> <b>Epiphany</b> Installation of Elders Holy Communion <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 6</b>	<b>11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Session Retreat</b> <i>Home of Mary Jo Wright</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 6</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>First Sunday Hymn Sing</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Thu., Jan. 10</b>	<b>3:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Evangelism &amp; Membership Cmte.</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>

<b>Sun., Jan. 13</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Tue., Jan. 15</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Women's Circle</b> <i>Walkup Building</i>
<b>Tue., Jan. 15</b>	<b>6:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Wed., Jan. 16</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> <i>Church office</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 20</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Wed., Jan. 23</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 27</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 27</b>	<b>after worship</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b> <i>Upper Anderson</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.

**New Year's Eve Community Watch Service  
Monday, Dec. 31  
5:30 P.M. in Graham/Gaither Chapel**

# *New Year's Eve Community Watch Service*

**5:30 Monday, December 31st, 2018**

Graham/Gaither Chapel, Montreat

Preacher: Dr. Sam Hobson

Communion

Music: Vivian Hare

*Sponsored by Montreat Cottagers, Inc.*

## **Year End Contributions Deadline**

**All contributions for the tax year 2018 must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2018** (remember the 31st is a Monday). All contributions can be mailed or taken to the church office (M-F, 9-12), placed in the offering Dec. 23 or 30, or hand delivered to Gill Campbell or Bill McCaskill by Dec. 31. If you have questions about your balance, please email [treasurer@montreatchurch.org](mailto:treasurer@montreatchurch.org) or call Gill (828-808-7237) or Bill (828-669-8101).

## **SVCM Winter Shelter**

Again this year our church along with other churches in the valley will help to feed the homeless in our community during the winter months. Without the help of these churches many would have no place to go during the coldest nights of the winter and would have no warm meals. The shelter provides both. Our church is responsible for furnishing three meals **from Jan. 6-9 and on Jan. 27**. Sign-up opportunities are available now. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



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## Looking Ahead

- **Vivian Hare** will be our guest musician in worship on December 30, and will take office as Director of Music effective January 1.
- **The Swannanoa Room will be unavailable Sunday-Saturday, Dec. 30-Jan. 5.** The Montreat College Conference will be held the first week of January, and we have invited them to make use of our ministry space in the Allen Building.
- **Beth Fountain and Mason Blake** will be installed to the session in worship on Sunday morning, January 6. The annual session retreat will immediately follow worship that day.
- **Montreat Wednesdays** will resume on January 23.

## Friends & Partners in Ministry



delivered.

SCVM has a continuing need of items for their clients. If you have any **blankets, coats or space heaters** you could donate, you may take them to SVCM in Black Mountain, or you may bring them to the church and we will be sure they are

## Our Prayer List

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

Evelyn Bannerman, health concerns  
Glenn Bannerman, treatments for melanoma  
Robert Boer  
Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)  
David Brown (Anne Rogers' brother), knee replacement  
Fred Connelly  
David Duncan, continuing severe back pain  
Sarah Feely (sister of Margaret Neale), acute leukemia  
Jane Frist  
Margie Jones, recovering from back surgery  
David Miller  
Betsy Neville  
Gordon Neville  
Margaret Rada  
John Roark  
Mary Scott Robinson (daughter of Mary Katherine & Billy)  
Judy Shuford, recovering from surgery



Maggie Tuggle

We rejoice with Phyllis and Jack Sadler  
and lift up our prayers of gratitude  
that a kidney donor match has been found for their niece,  
Becky Anderson!

Our deepest Christian love & sympathy are extended to  
the family and friends of Garlene Johnson, who died Sunday, Dec. 23.  
The service was held at Christ Community Church  
on Wednesday, Dec. 26.

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

People who are especially vulnerable to winter weather  
Refugees of war, famine and violence seeking asylum  
Victims of war and terror in Yemen, Myanmar and elsewhere

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  
Bounty & Soul  
Children & Friends  
Kairos Prison Ministry  
OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti  
Swannanoa Valley Christian 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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