

THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The Weekly e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA



March 12, 2019

All Are Welcome!



Sunday Worship, March 17
10:00 A.M. in Anderson Auditorium
Everyone is welcome! Please join us!

Our Calendar

Our normal office hours are M-F, 9:00 A.M-12:00 noon. However, those office hours are suspended for the weeks of March 11-15 and 18-22. Staff are still working their typical workload, but often at different hours. Please call ahead if you have business in the church office to make sure one of us will be there. Phone and email messages will be monitored regularly.

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Wed., Mar. 13	5:00 P.M.	Montreat Wednesday Bruce Ganger of Bounty & Soul <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., Mar. 17	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Anderson Auditorium</i>

Sun. Mar. 17	2:00 P.M.	Children's Music <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., Mar. 17	3:30 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Tue., Mar. 19	10:00 A.M.	Women's Circle <i>Walkup Bldg.</i>
Tue., Mar. 19	6:30 P.M.	Session Meeting <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Wed., Mar. 20	12:00 P.M.	Noon Lent Service & Lunch Hosted by MPC & MRA <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.

Community Lenten Worship Series



Wednesday Noon Worship Services & Light Lunch Sponsored by the Swannanoa Valley Ministerial Association

The Swannanoa Valley Ministerial Association is sponsoring Community Worship Services for Wednesdays in Lent and on Good Friday. Services will be held at various locations with a rotating series of worship leaders from throughout the area. **Each service begins at 12:00 noon** and lasts about 30 minutes. **A light lunch follows each service (with the exception of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday).** An offering will be received at each service for the Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministries' "heating fund." All are invited.

- March 13 Black Mountain United Methodist Church
- March 20 Montreat Presbyterian Church & Montreat Conference Center (in *Upper Anderson*)
- March 27 Tabernacle/Swannanoa UMC (at *Tabernacle UMC*)
- April 3 Warren Wilson/Black Mountain Presbyterian Churches (at *Black Mountain Presbyterian Church*)
- April 10 First Baptist Church of Black Mountain
- April 19 Good Friday Service
First Christian Church (*no lunch*)

**Each event begins at 12:00 P.M.
We welcome everyone to walk the Lenten journey with us.**

March 13 Montreat Wednesday Bruce Ganger of Bounty & Soul



We welcome Bruce Ganger of [Bounty & Soul](#) this Wednesday afternoon at 5:00 in the Allen Building. Bruce will be discussing hunger, health and Bounty & Soul's role in the community addressing those issues.

Bruce has been the Executive Director of Bounty & Soul since September, 2016. Before joining Bounty & Soul, he was the President & CEO of Feeding Northeast Florida and the Feeding America member food bank. He has served as the Managing Director of ISF Group, a business he founded with his wife, Peg, in 2006.



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

Welcome New Member!

Fred Hale of Givens Highland Farms was formally welcomed in worship on Sunday, March 10! Fred comes to us by letter of transfer after five decades of lay leadership in a Congregational church in Massachusetts. Fred is retired from many years as a teacher. At Highland Farms he continues teaching in the woodworking shop. The session met with him after worship on March 3 to receive him to the active members roll. Welcome, Fred!

March 17 Sunday Morning Worship Location Change

The March 17 Sunday Morning Worship service will be held in Anderson Auditorium.

We will return to Upper Anderson the following Sunday, March 24.

Children's Music

Children of our church will be participating in a special music time together this Sunday, March 17, 2:00 P.M. in the Swannanoa Room (Allen Building).

We'll have some fun getting to know each other and sharing in the basics of music through instruments and singing.

V.H.

Women's Circle Tuesday, March 19, 10:00 A.M.

The Women's Circle meets next on Tuesday, March 19 at 10:00 A.M. in the Walkup Building. Marylyn Huff will be our Circle leader in the study, "God with us Emmanuel."

J.A.

Some Upcoming Lent & Easter Services



Wed., Mar. 20	12:00 P.M.	Lent Worship & Lunch Co-hosted by MPC & MRA <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Apr. 14	10:00 A.M.	Palm Sunday <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Thu., Apr. 18	7:00 P.M.	Maundy Thursday Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Fri., Apr. 19	12:00 P.M.	Good Friday Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Apr. 21	10:00 A.M.	Easter Sunday <i>Upper Anderson</i>

The Swannanoa Valley Ministerial Association
also sponsors a Lent series of noon worship services
followed by a simple lunch, Wednesdays during Lent.
(See article above.)

Friends & Partners in Ministry

Christ Community Church is sponsoring a **Women's Retreat, March 15-16** at Asheville Christian Academy. Jennifer Kennedy Dean is the speaker. Jeanie Grindstaff is the worship leader. The cost for the retreat is \$30 and includes breakfast, lunch and snacks. Find more information and registration instructions [here](#).

Camp Grier Work Day, April 6, 2019

We are just months away from our annual work day! We would love to have you join us for a day of service, friendship and community! This year's primary focus will be on staining our decks, cleaning up winter debris and neatening up our campus for summer. Register [here](#).



A luncheon to benefit **The Ministry of Hope** organization (**which supports the Chaplaincy at Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women**) will be held at **Lake Lure** on **April 25**. If you would like to purchase a ticket please let **Priscilla Durkin** know. The organization is also seeking donations for a silent auction which will be part of the occasion. If you have an item you'd be willing to contribute, please also let me know.



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 delivered.

Our Prayer List

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

Becky Anderson (Sadlers' niece), kidney transplant surgeries

Evelyn Bannerman

Glenn Bannerman

Robert Boer

Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)

Jerry Chesnutt

Fred Connelly

Jey Deifell, vascular dementia; hospitalized with complications from the flu.

Jey is expected to move temporarily to a rehab facility before going home.

David Duncan, continuing severe back pain

Sarah Feely (sister of Margaret Neale), acute leukemia

Jane Frist

Bill Grogg (Keith's Dad), recovering from successful cancer-related neck

surgery on Monday
John Hinkle, Jr. (son of John & Dora), recovering from cancer related surgery last Wednesday. *We celebrate that John's doctors found that the cancer was contained.*

Margie Jones

Patricia McClurg

Bev MacSherry, cancer

David Miller

Betsy Neville

Gordon Neville

Kitty Peterson

Margaret Rada

Cameron Roberts

Mary Scott Robinson

J.W. ("jDub") Simpson, cataract surgery on Tuesday

Sarah Skinner and family, in the death of her grandfather

Arline Taylor

Maggie Tuggle

Robin Tutterow, upcoming heart surgery

Lynn Wegener (sister of Brad Hestir)

Lamar Williamson

Laura Minton Young (friend of the Blakes), brain aneurysm

We also lift up in prayer...

Those who are susceptible to cold and flu season

Neighbors who are vulnerable to poverty and hunger

Refugees fleeing war, famine and gangs

Victims of domestic violence

Children and parents separated from each other

Elmarie & Scott Parker, our Mission Co-workers in the Middle East

Victor and Sara Makari, our Mission Co-workers in Palestine

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.

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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

Steve Hansel, Mary Jo Wright (2019)
Jane Alexander, Everett Culpepper (2020)
Beth Fountain, Mason Blake (2021)
Moderator Keith Grogg (pastor)



Want to talk? Need a pastor? Come on in!
Call the office at 664-9212,
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and we'll find a time that works.
Rev. Margaret Peery also provides pastoral care:
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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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