

The Weekly Montreat Memo

The e-newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church (USA)

August 13, 2019

All Are Welcome!



Sunday Morning Worship
Sunday, August 18, 10:00 A.M.
Upper Anderson

Everyone is welcome! Please join us!

Our Calendar

Wed., Aug. 14	3:30 P.M.	Christian Education Committee <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Wed., Aug. 14	5:45 P.M.	Covered Dish Dinner <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Aug. 18	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Sun., Aug. 18	2:00 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Tue., Aug. 20	6:30 P.M.	Session Meeting <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
Sun., Aug. 25	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i>

Sun., Aug. 25	2:00 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Tues., Aug. 27	7:30 P.M.	Taizé Service <i>Upper Anderson</i>
Thu.-Fri., Mon.	Aug. 29-30, Sept. 2	Office Closed
Sun., Sept. 1	10:00 A.M.	Sunday Morning Worship <i>Anderson Auditorium</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.

Covered Dish Dinner Wednesday, August 14, 5:45 P.M. Upper Anderson



We hope you will join us this **Wednesday, August 14 for a covered dish dinner, 5:45 P.M. in Upper Anderson!** EVERYONE is invited. Friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, and anyone else you wish to invite are all welcome!

Please bring a covered dish--or, if that isn't feasible, simply show up; we will have plenty to share. We want most of all to enjoy each other's company.

One of our practices as an Earth Care Congregation is to invite dinner attendees to bring plates, cups, etc. which can be taken home and washed. Dinnerware will be provided for anyone who needs it. As summer begins to meet early fall, come and meet with friends from near and far, and maybe make some new ones!

Banquet & Hospitality Pictures

The congregation is invited to submit photographs **via email** for a special part of the worship service on September 1. We are looking for photos, which you would be OK with others viewing, of personal symbols of

hospitality, especially having to do with serving a meal. We are particularly looking for pictures that have items but not people in them.

Perhaps your dining room spread for Thanksgiving or Christmas, or just a picture of your dining table; a family heirloom pitcher, a close-up picture of your tablecloth print, a special platter, coffee urn or tea set; or any other visual symbol of table or food hospitality.

If you would like to participate, please submit no more than 1 or 2 pictures, by email, to: music@montreachurch.org with the subject line "table hospitality pictures."

We look forward to receiving your pictures!
V.H. for the Worship & Music Committee



MPC's Young Adult Volunteer Clara Hare-Grogg Commissioning This Sunday



The day after being commissioned in worship this Sunday, August 18, Clara and the other outgoing YAVs will gather at Stony Point for a week of preparation before dispersing to their national and worldwide destinations.

If you would like to make a personal **donation online**, the YAV program requests that online donations be made to Clara's specific webpage [here](#). Her personal identification number for YAV donations is **E210503**. Donations made by check may be made out to "PC(USA)" and include the identifier E210503, and may be sent to: Presbyterian Church (USA), PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

More information about Clara's call is available on the church website

(montreatchurch.org).

Taizé Worship Service Tuesday, August 27, 7:30 P.M. Upper Anderson

A special worship service reflecting the practices of the [Taizé](#) monastic community in France will be held in Upper Anderson on Tuesday, August 27 at 7:30 P.M.



Silences, candlelight, psalms, prayers and brief, easily grasped, repeated chants are essential to the meditative character of Taizé worship. In keeping with centuries-old monastic tradition, the spiritual atmosphere of the service is not broken by instructions or personal comments. (Also in keeping with the hospitality of monastic practice, an informative sheet will be made available as people enter the worship space.)

Please join us in Upper Anderson Tuesday evening, August 27, beginning at 7:30 P.M. The service will last just under an hour, timed to coincide with sunset and twilight.

This service is being offered with the gracious cooperation and support of the Montreat Conference Center. All are welcome!

K.G.

Music at MPC

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
Psalm 104:33*



Montreat Presbyterian Church honors the importance of music in our spiritual life and worship through a variety of ways:

CHANCEL CHOIR - Our weekly rehearsals continue on Sunday afternoons in August, with rehearsals taking place in either the Allen Building or Upper Anderson. At any time, we encourage interested singers to "Come Try Choir" - we welcome you to try this uplifting experience of blending our voices together in unison or in beautiful harmony.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC GROUP - Children are involved in learning music through songs, bells, and the new addition of drumming. We also hope to involve some adults who are interested in learning bells as well.

INSTRUMENTALISTS - Time to get out those flutes, trombones, trumpets, baritone horns, saxophones, harps, and violins. Or maybe you have a flugelhorn, bouzouki, mandolin, bagpipes or banjo. If you play proficiently, all are welcome and we would like to involve you and your music to be part of our worship experience.

If you would like to be involved in choir or as an instrumentalist, please let our director, **Vivian Hare**, know your interest (call 664-9212, or email music@montreatchurch.org). All are welcome!

V.H.

Friends & Partners in Ministry



SVCM continues to have a need for food, hygiene products, baby items and various other needs. Donations for SVCM may be dropped off Mon.-Fri., 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. at 101 N. Ridgeway Ave., Black Mountain. Monetary gifts can be mailed to PO Box 235, Black Mountain, NC 28711.

Our Church Family Prayer List

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

Evelyn Bannerman

Glenn Bannerman

Robert Boer

Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)

Jey Deifell

David Duncan, continuing severe back pain

Jane Frist

Ed King (friend of Keith Grogg), hospitalized in California

Patricia McClurg, under Hospice care
Bev MacSherry, cancer
David Miller
Betsy Neville
Gordon Neville
Ginny Porter and family
Kit Smith, (Patty's child) needs gallbladder surgery
Margaret Rada
Arline Taylor
Maggie Tuggle
Lamar Williamson

We also lift up in prayer...

Shooting victims and their families
Neighbors vulnerable to poverty and hunger
Incarcerated refugee children and other parents and children separated from each other
Victims of human trafficking
Victims of domestic violence
Refugees fleeing war, famine and gangs
All who are traveling
Students, parents, teachers and administrators preparing for a new school year

Clara Hare-Grogg (MPC), Matt Begley (BMPC) and other YAVs preparing to depart for their year of service
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
Black Mountain Counseling Center
Kairos Prison Ministry
OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti
Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry
Yokefellow 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.

The Carpenters

Fred Hale, Steve Hansel, Gill Campbell, John Hinkle, Eric Nichols and Mark Achtemeier are ready to assist anyone who needs a

helping hand with the little household things like: change a light bulb, retrieve items from a hard-to-reach closet shelf, change the batteries in a smoke detector, move furniture and the like. You may contact these gentlemen individually or reach out to **Kat Achtemeier at 563.580.6489.**

PWNC Newsletter

Find the latest news from the Presbytery of Western North Carolina [here](#).

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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,
or email Keith at pastor@montreatchurch.org,
and we'll find a time that works.

Rev. Margaret Peery also provides pastoral care:
parishvisitor@montreatchurch.org

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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