

# THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The Weekly e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA



January 21, 2020

**All Are Welcome!**



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**January 26, 10:00 A.M.**  
**Upper Anderson**

**Everyone is welcome! Please join us!**

## Our Calendar

<b>Tue., Jan. 21</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Women's Circle</b> <i>Walkup Building</i>
<b>Tue., Jan. 21</b>	<b>6:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Wed., Jan. 22</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 26</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 26</b>	<b>After worship</b>	<b>Annual Congregational Meeting</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Jan. 26</b>	<b>2:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>

<b>Sun., Jan. 26</b>	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Highland Farms Worship Service</b> <i>Highland Farms Assembly Room</i>
<b>Wed., Jan. 29</b>	<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Montreat Wednesday</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Feb. 2</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> <i>Upper Anderson</i>
<b>Sun., Feb. 2</b>	<b>11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>"Sacred Time" Soup Lunch and Training Event</b> <i>Walkup Building</i>
<b>Sun., Feb. 2</b>	<b>1:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i>
<b>Sun., Feb. 2</b>	<b>3:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Children's Music</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 Wednesdays in January

The following two Wednesdays, Jan. 22 & 29, our Montreat Wednesday programs resume as we are led by Bible scholar and teacher Mary Miller Brueggemann in a two-part study of "minor prophets."

**Jan. 22 - "Minor Prophets?"**  
**Jan. 29 - "Amos the Rancher"**

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

## Children and Worship



We welcome all children at our worship service each Sunday morning. It is our hope that worship becomes an important part of their familiar experience, creating a home as part of their spirituality which may remain with them for the rest of their lives.

A rocking chair is provided at the back of the sanctuary.

Also a dedicated children's table has resources and special coloring opportunities for use during worship services. And a floor quilt is provided for them to spend time with a family member and enjoy quiet activities while remaining in worship.

Children are also welcome to attend a young children's nursery (infant - preschool age) that is provided in the Updike Center a short distance away.

Please see the Christian Education Committee for more information.



*V.H./CE Committee*

## **Sacred Time: Journeying with People Facing Hard Times Walkup Bldg., Sunday, Feb. 2, 11:30 A.M.**

As siblings in Christ we are called to "bear one another's burdens." But sometimes that takes us into personally challenging situations as we walk with someone facing a crisis. We often feel inadequate and are not sure what might be helpful to do or to say.

**On Sunday, February 2, the Congregational Care Committee will present some reflections and resources** to help us as we think about journeying with neighbors, friends and loved ones who are facing hard times. Join us for a simple soup luncheon from **11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. in the Walkup Building. No registration required.** Through stories, conversation, presentations, scriptural illustrations, and shared resources, we hope to help our family of faith feel better-equipped to be present with and journey beside those who face difficult situations. (Snow/cancellation date: Feb. 9.)

## Brief YAV Update



Clara Hare-Grogg has been attending a regional gathering of PC(USA) personnel in Thailand. We are grateful that the recent volcanic activity in the Philippines has not disrupted her work and did not significantly impede her travel. And we were delighted to receive this photo along with a strongly supportive note from a great friend to the Montreat/Black Mountain/Presbytery of WNC community, John McCall, Mission Co-Worker in Taiwan!

## Friends & Partners in Ministry



**“Souper” Bowl Sunday!**

**February 2, 2020**

**Souper Bowl Sunday** began as an invitation from a Presbyterian church's youth group to their congregation: for each person in worship on Super Bowl Sunday to place \$1 in a soup pot after the worship service, and that money would all be contributed to the local soup kitchen/food pantry. It has grown into a national phenomenon. **This Super Bowl Sunday, MPC will offer a similar invitation to worshipers: to contribute**

monetarily to keep the SVCM pantry stocked, and/or to donate cans of soup or chili.

## Thank you for helping feed our neighbors!

If you would like to help out SVCM with food, hygiene products, baby diapers and wipes, as well as space heaters, blankets and winter coats, please drop off times at 101 N. Ridgeway Avenue, Black Mountain between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., M-F. Monetary gifts can also be mailed to PO Box 235, Black Mountain, NC 28711.

Please find the SVCM Tidings Newsletter [here](#).

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**Thirtieth Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Prayer Breakfast  
Saturday, February 8, 2020, 9:00 A.M. - 12:00  
P.M.  
at Camp Dorothy Walls**

Visit the website [here](#) for more information.



## Upcoming Birthdays

**If the information in our files is incorrect, or if you would prefer not to be listed, or if someone's birthday is missing from our list, please accept our apology and notify us at [office@montreatchurch.org](mailto:office@montreatchurch.org) so we can make the correction. This listing is intended to be inclusive, not exclusive, and is not necessarily indicative of any particular church membership status. The list will appear weekly, and is intended to cover the next few weeks. Blessings to you on your birthday and always!**

**Jan. 22 Dick Ray**

**Feb. 5 Toby Savage**

**Jan. 23 Katie Pagan**

**Feb. 8 Perry Alexander**

**Jan. 23 Trisha Edington**

**Feb. 9 Bill Hollins**

**Jan. 26 Jane Frist**

**Feb. 10 John Rogers**

**Jan. 29 Clare Frist**

**Feb. 10 Laurence Pagan**

**Jan. 29 Fred Hale**

**Feb. 13 Dave Barstow**

**Jan. 30 Bill Seaman**

**Feb. 15 Jan McRae**



## Our Church Family Prayer List

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

Kat Achtemeier, recovering from foot surgery

Evelyn Bannerman

Glenn Bannerman

Sally Baisley (Christina Tutterow's mom)

Ken Boyer

Sylvia Boyer

Connie Bristow (friend of Genie Sullivan)

Jey Deifell

David Duncan, continuing severe back pain

Jane Frist

Bob Hare

Dick Keefer

Margaret Linton

Scotty MacAliley

Bev MacSherry, cancer

Betsy Neville

Gordon Neville

Margaret Rada

Ellen Ramsey

George Ramsey

Bob Schoenhals (Keith Grogg's uncle), cancer

Linda Shortridge

Arline Taylor

Maggie Tuggle

Lamar Williamson

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

Neighbors vulnerable to poverty, hunger and cold weather

All victims of war and destruction

Victims of domestic violence

Those who are in grief for loved ones

Fires in Australia and elsewhere

Parents and children separated from each other

Refugees fleeing war, famine and gangs

Clara Hare-Grogg, our Young Adult Volunteer in the Philippines

(See the link to Clara's blog in "Contact Information," below)

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

Black Mountain Counseling Center  
Bounty & Soul  
Children & Friends  
Rev. Deanna Hollas, PC(USA) Gun Violence Minister  
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.*

## PWNC Newsletter

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

## The Carpenters

**Fred Hale, Steve Hansel, Gill Campbell, John Hinkle, Eric Nichols, Bill Roberts 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.**

## Montreat Presbyterian Church

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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**

Jane Alexander, Everett Culpepper (2020)  
Mason Blake, Beth Fountain (2021)  
Jim Henderson, Ann DuPre Rogers (2022)  
Moderator Keith Grogg (pastor)

### **Officers & Committee Chairs, 2020**

Jane Alexander, clerk  
Jim Henderson, assistant clerk  
Gill Campbell, treasurer  
Bill McCaskill, assistant treasurer

Mason Blake, Christian Education  
Beth Fountain, Congregational Care  
Hal Demarest, Earth Care Subcommittee  
Judy Shuford, Evangelism & Membership  
Grace Nichols, Fellowship  
Everett Culpepper, Finance & Property  
Eric Nichols, Mission & Outreach  
Ann DuPre Rogers, Personnel  
Linda Hobson, Worship & Music

### **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.

Rev. Margaret Peery also provides pastoral care:  
[parishvisitor@montreatchurch.org](mailto: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](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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**Clara's YAV Weblog page [Link](#)**

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