

THE WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO

The Weekly e-Newsletter of Montreat Presbyterian Church, USA



February 4, 2020

All Are Welcome!



Sunday Morning Worship
February 9, 10:00 A.M.
Upper Anderson

Everyone is welcome! Please join us!

Our Calendar

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| Wed., Feb. 5 | 5:00 P.M. | Montreat Wednesday <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Thu., Feb. 6 | 3:30 P.M. | Evangelism & Membership <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Thu., Feb. 6 | 5:15 P.M. | Worship & Music Committee <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Sun., Feb. 9 | 10:00 A.M. | Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i> |
| Sun., Feb. 9 | 1:30 P.M. | Choir Rehearsal <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |

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| Sun., Feb. 9 | 3:30 P.M. | Children's Music <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Wed., Feb. 12 | 5:00 P.M. | Montreat Wednesday <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Fri., Feb. 14 | 9:00 A.M. | Instrumentalist Practice <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Sun., Feb. 16 | 10:00 A.M. | Sunday Morning Worship <i>Upper Anderson</i> |
| Sun., Feb. 16 | 1:30 P.M. | Choir Rehearsal <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Tue., Feb. 18 | 10:00 A.M. | Women's Circle <i>Walkup Bldg.</i> |
| Tue., Feb. 18 | 6:30 P.M. | Session Meeting <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Wed., Feb. 19 | 5:00 P.M. | Montreat Wednesday <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</i> |
| Thu., Feb. 20 | 2:00 P.M. | Bible Study & Quilting <i>Swannanoa Room, Allen Bldg.</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.

Montreat Wednesday This Week

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This Wednesday, February 5th

Dr. Don King

C. S. Lewis as Christian Apologist in *Mere Christianity*

5:00—6:00 PM Swannanoa Room

Allen Building

A link to materials entitled “Notes and Questions on *Mere Christianity*” prepared by Dr. King for this presentation is posted on the Montreat Wednesdays page of the MPC web site (www.montreatchurch.org).

Find a schedule of our spring programs on the church website.

Welcome New Members!

New members were welcomed in worship on January 26!



Ron & Susan Maffett, Jean Norris & Brad Hestir, Scott McCormick

Mari Gramling is a licensed clinical social worker specializing in

addiction. With deep roots in Montreat, she has joined our active membership roll after having participated in worship and other church events over many months.

Spouses **Brad Hestir & Jean Norris** live in Montreat and have actively participated in our church since moving from California. Among her professional roles, Jean has served as a public health nutritionist and managed eye, dental and epidemiology clinics. Brad is a clinical and forensic psychologist. They are both members of the choir and have joined the active members roll.



Jane Holt, Mari Gramling

Jane Holt is a distinguished and groundbreaking scholar, having been a professor of biology and ornithology at Presbyterian College and later taught at Montreat College, where she had been a student alongside Clara Hare and others. Jane lives in Montreat and remains highly respected in the field of ornithology. She now joins the active membership roll.

Ron & Susan Maffett recently became residents at Highland Farms where friendships led them to visit Montreat Presbyterian Church. They were immediately drafted into the choir, and have now joined the supporting members roll. Ron is a small business owner; Susan has been a student teacher coordinator for adult literacy and an office manager at the National Academy of Sciences.

Scott McCormick is an Asheville resident who has been participating in worship and other MPC functions for many months. He is a teaching tennis pro at Creekside Racquet Club, having held similar positions in Maui, Hilton Head and elsewhere. He is a new member of the active members roll.



Charlene & Don Woods

Charlene & Don Woods have been part of our church family for many years. Don remains on the clergy members roll, and Charlene has decided to make her membership on the active membership roll official. They bring with them a lifetime of dedicated mission service, particularly in Mongolia.

Choir Lenten Retreat



**Choir Lenten Retreat
Saturday, February 22
8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Swannanoa room/Allen Building**

Our focus this morning will be rehearsing music
we will share during Lent and Holy Week.

We'll have coffee and doughnuts ready at 8:15 as you arrive

You are welcome to bring a sweet or savory snack to share when we have our
mid-morning break.

If you didn't get to respond to let us know you will be able to sing at this
retreat, no worries! Come and sing anyway - we would love to have you join
us! Just send a reply email to Vivian to let her know.

"O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth."
Psalm 96:1

V.H.

Instrumentalists Who Love to Play Music



Do you **LOVE** to play an instrument?

Friday, **February 14 9:00 A.M.** will be a first practice for those who would like to try playing some instrumental music together (band/orchestral instruments)

At least a "high school level" is requested.
We will meet in the Allen Building (Swannanoa room)

Please let our Director of Music, Vivian Hare, know if you can attend and what instrument you play.

V.H.

Friends & Partners in Ministry



There will be a blanket drive at Ingles in Black Mountain, 5:00-7:00 P.M., Wed., Feb. 5. Please bring a new or gently used blanket for SVCMM.

If you would like to help out SVCMM with food, hygiene products, baby diapers and wipes, as well as space heaters 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 SVCMM Tidings Newsletter [here](#).

**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 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!**

Feb. 5 Toby Savage

Feb. 13 Dave Barstow

Feb. 8 Perry Alexander

Feb. 15 Jan McRae

Feb. 9 Bill Hollins

Feb. 18 Lucille Jackson

Feb. 10 John Rogers

Feb. 18 Jane Sewell

Feb. 10 Laurence Pagan

Feb. 27 Herb Smith

Congregational Care Committee

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

Steve Hansel

Bob Hare

Dick Keefer

Margaret Linton

Scotty MacAliley

Bev MacSherry, cancer

Bryant and Lucy Woods McEntire and family in China

Betsy Neville

Gordon Neville

Margaret Rada

Ellen Ramsey
George Ramsey
Bob Schoenhals (Keith Grogg's uncle), cancer
Bob Shaw at Highland Farms after hospitalization
Linda Shortridge
Arline Taylor
Maggie Tuggle
Lamar Williamson

We also lift up in prayer...

Neighbors vulnerable to poverty, hunger and cold weather
All who are affected, directly or indirectly, by the coronavirus
Victims of domestic violence
Those who are in grief
All victims of war and destruction
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.**

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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,
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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