



WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO



THE E-NEWSLETTER OF MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH USA

June 18, 2024



All Are Welcome!

Please contact the [church office](#) to be added to our email list or to sign up to receive our home worship services.

Our Calendar

Sun., June 23 -
Sun., August 4
10:30 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship
Summer Worship Series
Anderson Auditorium & livestream

Tues., June 18
4:00 P.M.

Session Meeting
Gilliland home

Sun., June 23
7:00 P.M.

Sunday Hymn Sing
Assembly Inn Lobby

Sun., Aug. 11
11:00 A.M.

MPC Sunday Morning Worship
Upper Anderson & livestream
(please note the unusual start time for August 11 only.)

Please submit all requests

for *Memo* announcements
by Thursday of the week before they appear.
Send information to the office administrator at
office@montreatchurch.org.

Same MPC Website Address;
New Look and Format:
montreatchurch.org

While the look and layout have evolved (and are continuing to do so), our MPC website can still be found at the same location as before:
montreatchurch.org.

The coming days will see us continuing to address our "punch list" of pages and content to update, add or replace and functions to enhance or to make work slightly differently than they do at the moment, but the overall site is up and running!

Summer Sunday Hymn Sings at Montreat

It's time for singing on Sunday nights in Montreat!

Each Sunday evening through August 4, all are welcome to join us at **7:00 P.M. in the Assembly Inn Lobby (except July 14 at PHC)**.

Each hymn sing will feature a different music leader from the community. See the [full schedule here](#) and join us any Sunday evening!

New MPC Online Directory Update

Several have contacted us about a problem with connecting with the Realm app. We are in contact with Realm to correct the issue. Please bear with us.

If you need a QR code, please contact the office and one will be sent to you.

Thank you for your patience during this process.



Summer Worship Series: The Sunday morning worship service of Montreat Presbyterian Church and the Montreat Conference Center with Black Mountain Presbyterian Church

Each Sunday morning of the summer season (June 2-Aug. 4), the community gathers to worship God with prayer, singing, artistic expressions, and the Word proclaimed. All are welcome to join this holy gathering **Sundays at 10:30 A.M. in Anderson Auditorium and online.**

See the 2024 schedule and more information at the [Montreat Conference Center website](#).

Opportunities to Participate

MPC helps to provide ushers, communion servers, and flowers for the Lobby table. The dates and descriptions for what is needed at this time are listed below. Please email Lynn Gilliland with the dates you are interested in serving.

Ushers: Ushers meet in the Anderson Lobby at 9:55 A.M. on Sunday. They welcome worship participants at the six Anderson doors and provide bulletins (regular and large print) and children's bags. Ushers collect the offering from the front to the back of the Auditorium at the appointed time. **Upcoming ushering dates for MPC are June 23, July 7, and August 4. Usher volunteers receive a free lunch ticket for the Sunday buffet in the Galax Dining Room at Assembly Inn!** Please be sure you have emailed Lynn to volunteer, even if you have already mentioned it in person.

Communion Servers: Servers for Holy Communion meet in Anderson at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday for instruction. Elements are sometimes brought forward from the back of the Auditorium to the stage. Communion is served in pairs by intinction. **The next Communion date is Sunday August 4.**

Flowers for Auditorium Lobby: The large wooden table in the front of the Lobby serves as the focal point as people enter Anderson for worship. Last summer, we began providing flowers for this table – most often from our own gardens. Simple is key and flowers need to be in place by 9:30 A.M. on Sunday. They can be removed following the service or retrieved later in the week. **This is a need for every week except July 14.**

Thank you for your willingness to serve in these important roles! You will receive email confirmation and instructions for each of the above activities. Please let Lynn Gilliland know if you have any questions. Blessings!

From the Pastor's Desk

Throughout the summer, all of our staff members are happily at work.

Summer Office Hours are **Monday through Thursday, 9:00 A.M.-12:00 noon.** (Emails and phone messages are checked regularly both during and outside of office hours.)

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Keith's Summer Calendar includes...

In addition to office hours, pastoral availability, administrative responsibilities, preparation for the 2024-25 worship season, and being part of the liturgy team for the Summer Worship Series, some specific dates are filling in the pastor's summer calendar.

June 30: Sunday School guest teacher and visiting preacher, New Hope Presbyterian Church, Asheville, 9:30/11:00 A.M.

July 7: Sunday School guest teacher and visiting preacher, New Hope Presbyterian Church, Asheville, 9:30/11:00 A.M.

August 4: Vivian Hare & Keith Grogg lead hymn

sing, 7:00 P.M., Assembly Inn Lobby

K.G.



Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry

SVCM is in great need of hygiene items (new and unopened): shampoo, soap, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, sanitary pads, tampons, toilet paper.

Also needed: peanut butter, jelly, and canned items in pop-top cans (soup, baked beans, etc).

Please take your generous donations to the SVCM Office, 101 N. Ridgeway Ave., Black Mountain, Monday-Friday, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

Thanks so much for supporting our neighbors in need!

More information from SVCM

is available [HERE](#).

Montreat Presbyterian Church supports



Do you have a car that needs to find a new home? Imagine how difficult your life would be without a car! **Working Wheels repairs and recycles donated vehicles**, transforming them into working wheels for working families.

The process is simple, the donation is tax-deductible, and the impact is real. To donate, volunteer, or learn more, please visit www.workingwheelswnc.org or call 828-633-6888.

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 not necessarily indicative of 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!

June 20 Tommy Brown
June 22 Jamie Bibee Lloyd
June 23 Perrin Wright
June 23 Heath Phillips
June 24 Clara Hare-Grogg
June 27 Rebecca Trump
June 29 Fred Connelly
June 29 Ellen Dean
June 30 Ken Shortidge
July 1 Terri Jennison
July 2 Tom Frist
July 3 Scott McCormick
July 4 Louise Wolfe
July 5 Katie Dimmock
July 6 Christina Tutterow
July 7 Jean Gettys
July 7 Righton McCallum
July 8 Miles Engelkl

Congregational Care Committee

Our Church Family Prayer List

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

Hank Ackerman, recovery after hip replacement
Harold Bost, recovering after pacemaker surgery
Timothy Boyer (William's dad/son of Ken & Sylvia),
cancer
Fred Connelly
Bob Cumming
Marinell Davidson
Jackson Dimmock (son of Frank & Nancy)

Dimmock)
David Duncan
Jack Gilliland
Zaida Gilmour
Betty Henderson
John Hinkle
Derek Hudson (friend of Christina & Robin
Tutterow), praise for successful surgery
Olson Huff, under Hospice care at home
Alun Jones (friend of Keith Grogg)
Andrea McCallum and family (daughter of
Jane & Hugh Alexander)
Kitty Neil
Margaret Rada
Ellen Ramsey, under Hospice care
Lila Ray
Judy Shillinglaw
Herb Smith
Goody Thomas (brother of Nancy Thomas), cancer
Rosemarie Wanamaker (friend of the Tutterows),
lung cancer treatments

We also lift up in prayer...

Papua New Guinea landslide
Atrocities in Burkina Faso
Genocide and displacement in Sudan
Bayonnais, Haiti
Gaza; West Bank; Israel
Ukraine
Victims of gun violence, human trafficking, domestic
violence, and hunger
The challenges of aging
All who are traveling
People with memory issues and their families
Law enforcement personnel and their families

Refugees and all who are displaced
All who work on behalf of the natural environment
U.S. politics and government
Canton/Haywood County long term flood recovery

And all the peoples of:

Afghanistan
Azerbaijan
Burkina Faso
Cuba
Ethiopia
Eritrea
Gabon
Gaza
Guatemala
Guinea
Haiti
Honduras
Iran
Iraq
Israel
Libya
Malawi
Mali
Morocco
Niger
Nigeria
Peru
Russia
The Sahel region of West Africa
South Sudan
Sudan
Syria
Turkey
Uganda
Ukraine

Yemen

***and our friends, neighbors,
and partners in ministry,
including...***

Doug Dicks, Israel & Palestine

Frank Dimmock, Africa Partnership Liaison,
The Outreach Foundation

Elmarie Parker, Mission Co-worker in the Middle
East

Ardrishaig Parish Church, our eco-partner
congregation in Scotland

Cathy Chang, Mission Co-Worker in Philippines

Black Mountain Counseling Center

Black Mountain Presbyterian Church

Bounty & Soul

Christ Community Church, Montreat

Donald S. Collins Early Learning Center,
Black Mountain

Rev. Deanna Hollas, PC(USA) Gun Violence
Minister

Jose La Lont Jones, Democratic Republic of Congo
Montreat College

Montreat Conference Center

OFCB ministries and the people of Haiti

The Presbyterian Heritage Center

Presbytery of Western North Carolina
staff and volunteers

Resources for Resilience

Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry

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*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 Are Here for You!

The Congregational Care Committee has six volunteer "carpenters," **Mark Achtemeier, Gill Campbell, John Hinkle, Eric Nichols, William Pender, and Jody Welker**, who stand ready to be of help! All of these gentlemen are glad to lend a hand to help people for whom physical limitations make it difficult to do household "little things:" change a light bulb, retrieve items from a hard-to-reach closet shelf, change the batteries in a smoke detector, etc. You may contact them directly or reach them through their "straw boss," **Kat Achtemeier**. If you feel led to add your name to this list of "carpenters," please let Kat know!

PWNC Newsletter

Click the image below
to find the latest news from PWNC!



All of our MPC mailings, including the Memo, are part of the same subscription. We cannot yet offer a menu from which to choose different mailings to receive or decline, so to be subscribed to the Memo

is to receive all other church emails as well. Anyone who has unintentionally unsubscribed from all MPC mailings may resubscribe or contact the [office](#) for assistance at any time.

Please share scheduling information,
as well as changes to
church member **contact information,**
with the office administrator at
office@montreatchurch.org.

Unless otherwise stated, 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 those requests to the appropriate contacts at MRA.

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

Lynn Gilliland, Grace Nichols (2024)
Ellen Henschen, Lisa Rome (2025)
John Casper, George Sawyer (2026)
Clerk Ellen Dean
Moderator Keith Grogg (pastor)

Officers & Committee Chairs, 2024

Ellen Dean, Clerk
Lynn Gilliland, Treasurer
Peggy Williamson, Christian Education
Anne Stone, Congregational Care
Hal Demarest, Earth Care Subcommittee
Ellen Henschen, Evangelism & Membership
Grace Nichols, Fellowship
Dan Dean, Stewardship of Finance & Property
Nancy Midgette, Mission & Outreach
Lynn Gilliland, Personnel
Corise Gambrell & Sally Woodard, Women's Circle
Lisa Rome, Worship & Music

Want to talk? Need a pastor?

Contact the pastor at pastor@montreatchurch.org
or call the church office: 828-664-9212.

MPC Weekly Communications

Are you, or is someone you know, **having trouble receiving our emails via Constant Contact?** Be sure to check your "Promotions" category for email that may have been diverted from your main inbox, as well as checking Spam and other folders.

The Memo is usually published on Tuesday afternoon. **Please submit items for the Memo by the Thursday morning before the week in which they are to appear.** Thank you! (Articles submitted may be edited for accuracy, clarity or brevity.)

The Montreat Memo is sent from the Montreat Presbyterian Church office email account. **Responses intended for the**

pastor may be sent to pastor@montreatchurch.org.

Responses intended for the director of music may be sent to music@montreatchurch.org.

Midweek, pre-recorded online prayer services are ordinarily issued on Tuesday evenings near sunset.

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