



WEEKLY MONTREAT MEMO



THE E-NEWSLETTER OF MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH USA

July 16, 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., July 21 -
Sun., August 4
10:30 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship
Summer Worship Series
Anderson Auditorium & livestream

Sun., July 14
7:00 P.M.

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.)

Wed., Aug. 14
5:45 P.M.

Covered Dish Dinner
Upper Anderson

Sun., Aug. 18
10:00 A.M.

MPC Sunday Morning Worship
Upper Anderson & livestream

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.




See the 2024 schedule of preachers
at the [Montreat Conference Center website](#).

Summer Sunday Hymn Sings

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

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



From the Pastor's Desk

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 & Vivian will be away this weekend (Friday-Monday). Other upcoming dates in the staff's summer calendars include:

July 28: Keith preaching at Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church, Swannanoa, 11:00 A.M.

August 4: Vivian Hare & Keith Grogg lead hymn sing, 7:00 P.M., Assembly Inn Lobby



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!

July 20 Lynn Bledsoe
July 21 Beth Casper
July 22 Margo Smith
July 23 Hank Ackerman
July 25 June Peel
July 25 Billie Martin
July 27 Robert Gambrell
July 29 Linda Shortridge
Aug 1 Betsy Bryan
Aug 4 Jane Holt
Aug 4 Heath Rada
Aug 4 Linda Weyman
Aug 4 Sophia Keefe (Woods-Chang)
Aug 6 Olson Huff
Aug 7 Anne Straughan
Aug 9 Kitty Fouche
Aug 11 Lynn Gilliland
Aug 12 Betsy Kirschner
Aug 12 Cis Wilde

Our Church Family Prayer List

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

Hank Ackerman

Harold Bost, recovering after pacemaker surgery

Timothy Boyer (William's dad/son of Ken & Sylvia),
cancer

Mary Boyd Brown (sister of Anne Rogers)

Fred Connelly

Bob Cumming

Marinell Davidson

Jackson Dimmock (son of Frank & Nancy
Dimmock)

David Duncan

Jack Gilliland

Zaida Gilmour

John Hinkle

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

Peggy 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...

Victims of Hurricane Beryl
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
Those facing 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
Kenya
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.**](mailto: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.

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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

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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