Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church

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Thank You to our Volunteers Nursery Volunteers for May

May 7 Judy Carr
May 14 Becky Steele
May 21 Linda Liesegang
May 28 Drew Dunn

Children's Church Volunteers for May

May 7 Youth Sunday—No Children's Church May 14 Debbie Clay and BJ Tugman

May 21 Beau and Sarah Stanley

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Called to Worship ††† Empowered to Serve
A Mission Church
Bringing Members In, Sending Disciples Out

Dear Rumple Family,

Today officially marks two months since we arrived in Blowing Rock. Some days it seems like it has been much less time than that, and many days, I think because we already feel so at home here, it feels like much longer. These two months have flown by and it hardly seems possible that it is May. The children and I remain so grateful to God for your calling us to come here and for the wonderful welcome we have received.

Sundays this month will be filled with many special events and worship services I hope many of you will be able to participate. The Easter season continues through May so we will continue our focus on new life and transformation.

This Sunday, May 7, the youth of the church will lead worship. Two of our high school youth will preach, another will accompany all the hymns and the anthem, some will serve as ushers, and others will serve as liturgists. I am just starting to get to know them, but Rumple has some pretty fantastic youth and I hope you will come to support them on Sunday at 11 and then stay after for their potato bake fundraiser, down in the Fellowship Hall.

May 14, everyone is invited to a delicious home-cooked breakfast hosted by the Carter Lentz Men's Sunday School Class, during the Sunday school hour, 9:45. This wonderful time for food and fellowship takes the place of Sunday School that morning- for all ages. So, come celebrate Moms and enjoy a delicious breakfast and then, stay for worship!

On May 21, during worship, we will receive four new members into the Rumple family. This will also be a Sunday when you have the opportunity to worship in the morning and again in the afternoon. At 4:00 that afternoon, Salem Presbytery will officially install me as your pastor. One of my former colleagues, Ernie Thompson, will preach. The service will be followed by a fellowship dinner in the Fellowship Hall. I look forward to this day of celebration with all of you.

May 28 will be our final Sunday with only one worship service. It is also Memorial Day weekend and we will offer special prayers of thanks for all who have and who are still serving our country.

I look forward to worshipping with you, continuing to get to know you, and this wonderful community to which I have been called.

Easter blessings!

Kathy

Let's Celebrate with some Rumple Members!

On Tuesday, May 16, **Natasha Schoonover** will officially be enrolled as a candidate for ministry by Salem Presbytery. Anyone and everyone from Rumple is invited to attend that meeting and show our support for Natasha. The meeting is at First Presbyterian in Salisbury. The agenda is not yet posted but we will be sure to share the details, when they are available.

What is a candidate for ministry in the Presbyterian Church (USA.?) A candidate is someone who has declared a sense of call to ministry and made a further commitment to pursue this calling. The candidacy stage is the second stage in the preparation for ministry process. Natasha has completed the first phase, "inquiry" and will be officially a candidate for at least a year. In this phase she will complete her ordination exams in five areas, continue to discern her sense of call, and be supported by both this church and the presbytery. At the end of a year, with her exams successfully completed, a candidate can then be "certified ready" and begin the process of seeking a call for an ordained ministry position.

We celebrate Natasha hearing God's call and responding to it and we look forward to her continuing to share her gifts with Rumple and finding ways to continue to support her on her journey. Natasha will preach here at Rumple on Sunday June 11.

Dr. Davis Hankins, a Rumple member and current elder, will be traveling to Heidelberg, Germany this May to receive a Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise (Until 2011, this was called the John Templeton Award for Theological Promise.) Each year an international committee grants 10 awards to young scholars from around the globe for outstanding doctoral or first post-doctoral works which address the topic of God and Spirituality. Davis is one of those 10 in 2017. He received his award for his work on the Book of Job. Congratu-

On Sunday, April 30, the Rumple church family celebrated with our Director of Music, **Dave McCollum**. A number of Dave's family members also joined us for the celebration.

lations, Davis!

We celebrated Dave's completion of his Doctorate. Dave's degree is a

Doctorate of Worship Studies from the Robert E. Webber Institute for Worship Studies (IWS), in Jacksonville, Florida.

His Doctoral Thesis was on the Book of Psalms including an eight-week teaching session on Evaluating Psalmic Expression for the Gathering

Fold of Worship that he led here at Rumple. Congratulations Dave!



Dave with members of his family

Do you know a Rumple member we should celebrate in future *Slate and Stone* publications? Please email names and suggestions to Hazel or Kathy.

Congratulations to two of our Choir Scholars who will graduate this spring—Evan Adair and Caroline Valitutto.



Wednesdays at Rumple!

Did you know that every Wednesday at Rumple children and youth gather for snacks, games, bible study and music? We walk from Blowing Rock School and friends from Hardin Park carpool over. This school year the children have learned about Joseph and Moses. They have raised caterpillars that we released as butterflies on Easter Sunday. We will conclude our meetings for the school year on Wednesday May 10 with a field trip the Community Park in Blowing Rock and an ice cream stop. If you would like to help out on Wednesdays or you have a friend who might benefit from this program, please contact Cameron Womack. We will re-start in the fall on the Wednesday after Labor Day.

Middle School Service Retreat

All rising 7th, 8th, and 9th graders are invited to participate in our 2nd Annual Middle School Service Retreat on June 15 – 17. We will travel to Asheville and serve at the Manna Food Bank and at Black Mountain Home for Children. A trip to Sliding Rock is planned on Saturday.

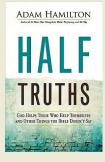
Jackie Kirkland and Mike Steele will serve as chaperones.

Invite your friends! Date: June 15-17

Cost: \$75.00/youth (scholarships are available)

Contact Cameron Womack for a registration form. cameronwomack@outlook.com

New Learning Opportunity beginning May 2



What? A study for all adults

They are simple phrases. They sound Christian – like something you might find in the Bible. We've all heard these words. Maybe we've said them. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways. Join Adam Hamilton in his search for the whole truth by comparing some common Christian sayings with the wisdom found in Scripture.

When? Tuesdays, beginning May 2 and continuing for 5 weeks, 11:30 a.m Leader? Cameron Womack, DCE Where? Rumple Church Library

Rumple Youth Events



The Youth Group of Rumple Church invites you to...

Variety Show and Dinner Fundraiser

Sunday June 4, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

We are looking for talents of all kinds, groups and individuals to donate theme baskets for the raffle and spectators to come out and enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner and entertaining show!

<u>Tickets go on sale - May 7</u> \$15 / individual tickets; \$25 / Couples; \$30 / Family (5 people) \$75 / reserve whole table (8 seats)

<u>Sign-up to participate in the Variety Show!</u> Looking for singers, dancers, dramatic readers, comedians, etc.

Sign up to donate theme baskets for the raffle

We are looking for donations of theme baskets for our raffle!!

Would you or your circle, Sunday School class, committee or family wish to donate?

Here are some ideas for baskets, but the possibilities are endless!!

Coffee Break, Car Wash, Pamper Your Pet, Spa Day, Baking, Wine and Cheese, School Supplies, Summer Fun, Welcome Baby, Tee Off (Golf Theme), Movie Night (out or at home), Sports,

Arts and Crafts

Look for the Youth after Worship throughout May to...

Purchase Tickets, Sign up for the Variety Show,

Sign up to donate Baskets...OR...you can find a link to forms on our website, www.rumplechurch.org

Youth End of Year Events

Youth Breakfast at Sunny Rock Tuesday May 9, 7:00 a.m.

End of Year Pool Party at Chetola

Tuesday May 30, after school Dinner will be ready at 5:00 p.m.



Stay connected with Rumple!

Like us on Facebook, visit our website www.rumplechurch.org, Follow the youth on Instagram, #rumpleyouth, and add your email to our weekly e-newsletter

Welcome New Affiliate Members

On Sunday, April 30, the Rumple Session received three new affiliate members into the church family.



Barbara Leon is a member of Pinecrest Presbyterian in Pinecrest (Miami), FL. She moved to Boone in February to be close to two of her three children and their families. She plans to spend the winter months in Miami and the rest of the year here in the High Country. She is an ordained deacon and elder in the Presbyterian Church. Barbara has already been involved at Rumple in small group bible studies and circle.



Kip and Robin Smith are members of Shelby Presbyterian Church in Shelby, NC. They have owned a home in Blowing Rock for years and spend a majority of their weekends here. They have been attending Rumple for many years and decided to finally make the relationship official. They have two grown children. Their daughter, Wesley, will be married at Rumple in June 2018.

Would you like to become a member of Rumple? Again on Sunday, May 21, Rumple will receive new members (and affiliate members) into the life and ministry of the church. New members will meet with the Session at 10:30 and then be introduced in worship both mornings. If you would like to become a member of Rumple please speak to Kathy or indicate your interest on the visitor card in the pew or on the fellowship pad.



ASU Music Scholars Program

The ASU Scholars Program is designed to reach out to ASU students that major in music by inviting them to participate in Wednesday night choir rehearsal and Sunday morning worship here at Rumple. We offer a small stipend to cover their mileage and give them some spending money. For those of us who can remember being in college, we know how much every dollar helps! Please consider helping out for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. Thanks for your consideration and financial support of this program. The students in the past two years have enjoyed calling Rumple their church homeaway-from-home!

Rumple on a Mission

We will travel to the ends of the earth to provide people with clean water because we believe water is life. But we will not go alone. Through the power of community, God will work through all of us together to change the world. – Wine to Water

Rumple on a Mission continues its focus on **Wine to Water** this month. Worldwide, approximately twice the number of people who live in the U.S. lack access to clean drinking water; about four times that number lack access to improved sanitation. A local hero, Doc Hendley, founded *Wine to Water* over 10 years ago to address these problems. Through creative ideas, sensitive to the locale and utilizing the skills of the area residents, water is now available to many of those in need.

How can Rumple partner with *Wine to Water*? You can make a donation on Sunday, May 14, at the Mother's Day breakfast or drop a check in the collection plate anytime this month with "Wine to Water" on the memo line. Only \$50 will provide a community with a ceramic filter, which provides clean water for a family for up to five years! Just \$125 will provide a biosand filter, which provides 20 gallons of clean water each day for generations to come!

We will also continue our monthly food collections for **Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S.** Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. is a food bank that helps provide basic non-perishable food to families and individuals in Watauga County. The Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. food pantry is open for clients on Mondays from 9 am to 1 pm right here at Rumple.

The May item of need for Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. is soup. Please bring your items throughout the month of May and leave them in the shopping cart in the church lobby.

Upcoming....Rumple on a Mission will highlight child and youth services from June-August. As part of these efforts, Rumple will participate in the Back 2 School Festival and PC(USA) Pentecost Offering on Sunday, June 4. The Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. Forty percent of the Pentecost offering will be retained by Rumple to assist local child and youth agencies. The remaining 60% is used to support child, youth, and young adult ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Rumple will be hosting a concert to benefit **Watauga Habitat for Humanity** on Sunday afternoon **May 7 at 3:00 pm**, presented by Melissa Tausche, accompanied by Jonathan Asbell and featuring Evan Adair as well. Suggested donation is \$15.00 and all proceeds go to support the construction of the Love family home.

Fifth Monday Service at Hospitality House Every 5th Monday, Rumple Church is responsible for cooking and serving food for the Hospitality House in Boone. This month that date is May 29, Memorial Day. Can you help? We will be serving Chicken Divan, Fruit Salad and Dessert. The youth group will cover the desserts, but we need folks to bring Chicken Divan and Fruit Salad and a few people to serve that evening. Recipes are available at the church. If you can help, please contact Katie Gurkin from the Missions Committee at 336-971-9642 or gurkink@aol.com.



Rumple at Work

The Session of Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church consists of our pastor as moderator and eleven ruling elders, elected by the congregation. They meet monthly on the fourth Monday at 5:30. If you have items for the session, please see Kathy Beach, Session Moderator.

<u>Church Office Hours</u> Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

828-295-7675 Rumplechurch.org

Sunday Services 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

CHURCH LEADERS & STAFF

Clerk of Session: Mary Lentz Class of 2017 Audrey Gurkin Brenda Lentz Bill Thorn

Class of 2018

Barbara Julien Danny Kirkland Mary Lentz Mike Rhyne

Class of 2019

Davis Hankins Misty Mayfield Kim Rogers Cullie Tarleton

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Office hours for Kathy are: Monday—Wednesday 8:30-4:30 Thursday morning, sermon writing Thursday afternoon, visiting

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Stated Session Minutes

- Rev. Kathy Beach called the meeting to order with prayer.
- Barbara Julien gave the devotion on "God's window for our future" focusing on God's Word given to everyone by the Holy Spirit. She reminded us that the Bible is God's inspired word! (Rev. 2:10 and 21:21)
- Cameron Womack gave information of a new Sunday School class, *Half Truths* being taught by Lou Moore and she, beginning immediately.
- Mary Lentz, clerk, presented the minutes for March 27th, they were approved by common consent. A motion from the sub committee recommending Natasha Schoonover be recommended to candidacy and Cullie Tarlton be the Session Liaison. The motion was seconded by Danny Kirkland and passed 100%.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- FINANCE See attached sheet for summary of the last three months.
- MISSIONS –Discussed the upcoming Fund Raisers- Pentecost and the Peace Offering. The possibility of continuing the ADOPT A HIGHWAY!
- PROPERTIES Discussed the problems of the heat and air conditioning in the manse.
- YOUTH-Shared plans made for YOUTH SUNDAY and baked potato lunch after church on May 7th; Variety Show/Talent Show on June 4th.
- NEW BUSINESS Cullie Tarleton made the motion, seconded by Davis Hankins for the following dates, April 30 and May 21 to welcome new members. This motion passed.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Beach.

October 7— Circle IV

Respectfully submitted, Mary Lentz

2017 Fundraising Parking Lot Schedule

May 20—Circle 1
June 10—Circle 5
July 1 (Parade) Montreat—Danny Kirkland
July 15 Circle 1
August 12—Circle 1
September 9— Campus Ministries

November 25 (Parade) - Christian Education

Around Rumple

Presbyterian Women Circle News and Meetings

Circle I will meet May 8 at 6:00 in the Rumple House.

Circle II please contact Mary Lentz for update.

Circle III will meet again in May.

Circle IV will meet second Monday of the month at 1:00 Rumple House.

Circle V will meet Wednesday May 3 at 6:00 at the Suddreth cottage

We invite Rumple members to participate in **Summer Salt Shakers and Lunch Bunch**.

Dinner groups will meet in the evening in member homes June through October. The Lunch Bunch is a group that meets in area restaurants at lunch for fun and fellowship. Sign-up will be through the last of May.



Please fill out the form in the pew pads or

display case and put in the offering plate or send in to the church office.

Meals for the Jay Family

Matt Jay and his family have certainly appreciated the out-pouring of thoughtful things done for them during the past weeks. We would like to continue assistance with meals through May and June by having 3 or more people agree to each provide meals each week. If you are able to help, here's the info.

- * prepare food & freeze if it can be frozen (i.e. casserole; lunches; side dish; salad fixings)
- * label it for the Jay family including prep directions
- * place in the freezer or refrigerator at Rumple by 4:00 on Tuesday of your week.
- * due to food allergies DO NOT use nuts & as much as possible avoid food coloring & artificial flavorings
- * if you would like to help but would rather not cook, gift cards to local restaurants are always appreciated too
- * contact Ann Rhyne (828-964-6543 or acrhyne@aol.com) to sign up or a week

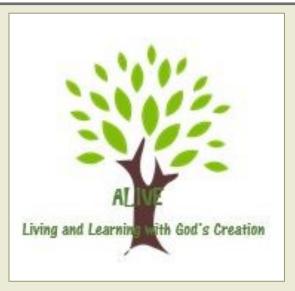


MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Holly Liesegang Cass
- 2 Julia Peace
- 3 Mike Rhyne
- 3 Barbara Scott
- 4 John Calvin
- 5 Jim Clabough
- 5 Bill Petrie
- 7 Andy Groothuis
- 7 Bishop Robinson
- 7 David Rogers
- 8 Karen Snyder
- 9 Joan Shirley
- 10 Billie Hicklin
- 12 Annie Tarbutton
- 12 Joe Todd
- 12 David Wary
- 16 Molly Kirkland
- 19 Kent Walker
- 19 Pat Mauldin
- 21 Richard Washer
- 22 Reagan Womack
- 24 Misty Mayfield
- 25 Andrew Myers
- 26 Charlie Travis
- 27 Thomas Steele
- 27 Lori Stewart
- 29 Judith Walker
- 29 Evalyn Sudderth
- 31 Richard Forbes

Save the date and plan to attend the Installation Service for Pastor Kathy Beach as the new Pastor of Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church by Salem Presbytery. This service will be Sunday May 21, 2017 at 4:00 in the Rumple Sanctuary. It will be followed by a dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a side dish to share.

Church Nurture



2017 Vacation Bible School, Monday—Thursday June 19 – 22, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

ALIVE: Learning and Living with God's Creation
By Cameron Womack, DCE

VBS 2017 is all about caring for God's great creation! Through learning stations, children will explore how we are to care for our world. Children will experience science, storytelling, music, crafts and special guests.

YOU can help make this a unique and exciting experience! Sign up to volunteer by contacting Cameron Womack at cameronwomack@outlook.com. Donate some of the items below and sign-up your child, friends and family for VBS by visiting www.rumplechurch.org or find registration forms at Rumple.

Sign me up!

Please visit www.rumplechurch.org to register!

Invite your friends!

<u>Items needed for VBS</u>

Paper Grocery Bags

Plastic Grocery Bags

Milk Jugs

Magazines

Milk Cartons

Cereal Boxes

12 Pack Soda Boxes

Soda Bottle tops

Cares and Concerns

Concerns and Cares

<u>We pray for</u>: Brenda Lentz, Bill Magruder after surgery, Pat Coley, Earl Trexler, Nancy Trexler, James Burgess at home; Cecil Brandon, Charlie Landreth, Mary Goodwin at the Deerfield Ridge Assisted Living, 287 Bamboo Rd, Boone, NC

If you go to the hospital and would like the church office to know, please remember to call or ask the hospital to call the church office. Your name and hospitalization is not shared with the congregation unless you give permission.

We grieve with Winnie Gee on the death of her husband Jim on April 20; Karen Snyder on the death of her husband George on April 5; The family of Margaret (Peggy) Bissette who passed away April 5;

Congregational Care If you or someone you know in the congregation would like a visit, please share this information with an Elder, or contact the Church Office.

New Address for: Richard and Carol Genberg, 334 Kilgannon Ln, Lancaster, PA 17603; Sandi Tinsley, 11645 E. Quiet Valley PL, Tucson, AZ 85749; Billie Hicklin, 216 Green Mountain Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28792

There is a **Medical Supply Loaner Closet** in the Rumple House with medical supplies to be used by anyone as needed. A blood pressure monitor has been added to the closet.

Missed Worship? There are audio CD's available of each worship service and they can be found in the library if you would like to check one out.

Stay Connected! Rumple publishes a weekly email newsletter. Keep up to date on the latest calendar and happenings at Rumple. Email Cameron Womack to be connected: cameronwomack@outlook.com

Communion is served monthly during worship. If you or someone you know would like to have communion at home because of illness or mobility challenges, please call the church office.

Two Worship Services Return in JUNE

Beginning on June 4 and continuing through the month of August, Rumple will have two Sunday morning worship services. The first at 8:45 a.m. and the second at 11:00 a.m. Plan to attend either service and Sunday School before or after at 9:45 a.m. Welcome back to our summer residents!



lay 2017 at Rumple

9:45 Sunday Sschool 11:00 Worship

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thurs- day	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 9-1 BR Garden Club (FH) 10:30 BR GC Board (ACU) 11:00 Staff Mtg (L) 2:30-4:30 KICKS /Fusion 3:45 Missions (L) 6:00 Circle 5 (Suddreth cottage) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	4	2	9
7 Youth Sunday 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship w Communion 12:00 Youth Luncheon (FH) 1:00 Congregational Care (L) 3:00 Habitat Benefit Concert by Melissa Tausche (Sanctuary)	8 1:00 Circle 4 5:00 Missions (L) 6:00 Circle 1 (RH)	9 7:00am Youth Breakfast at Sunny Rock 11:30 Half Truths Class (L)	10 11:00 Staff Mtg (L) 2:30-4:30 KICKS /Fusion 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	-	12	
14 Happy Mother's Day 9:45 Mother's Day Breakfast (FH) 11:00 Worship	15 4:00 Finance (L)	16 11:30 Half Truths Class (L)	17 11:00 Staff Mtg (L) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	8	9	20 Art in the Park Circle 1 Parking
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