

Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church

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Nursery Volunteers for August

August 6 Karen Clabough
August 13 Janice Burns
August 20 Linda Mauldin
August 27 Ann Rhyne

Children's Church Volunteers for August

August 6 Jim and Carolyn Nelson
August 13 Wes and Lynne Waugh
August 20 Debbie Clay and BJ Tugman
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August 2017

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A Mission Church
Bringing Members In, Sending Disciples Out

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

828-295-7675
www.rumplechurch.org

Sunday Services

8:45 a.m. (through August 2017)
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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Cassidy Nooner, Youth Intern
Heather Sigmon, Sexton
Claire Denness, Nursery Attendant
Kelly Ginsberg, Nursery Attendant

Dear Rumple Family,

I had been told that summer was busy in Blowing Rock and at Rumple and now I have seen it with my own eyes. As I have told many of you, the busy summer is such a change for me, every other church I have served slowed down in the summer! But, I love all the activity and all the new faces each Sunday.

We are blessed, at Rumple, to welcome new faces each and every Sunday. In order to respond to all these visitors and guests, we have formed a Welcome Team, which serves as a sub-committee of Congregational Care. You have seen some of the tangible results of our work in the beautiful new visitor cards in the pews and the colorful handout we make available to interested guests. This Welcome Team is just beginning their work. More team members are always welcome! I invite any of you who may have interest, to consider joining this great, energetic, group. Please let me know if you are interested. But, even if you don't feel called to join this official Welcome Team, you are a part of the Rumple welcome team too. If you meet a visitor on Sunday morning, we hope that you will encourage them to fill out a visitor card, or introduce them to me, offer to answer their questions, and encourage them to stay for lemonade on the lawn! Rumple is a very friendly and welcoming church. I hear that from guests and visitors all the time. It is our shared ministry to welcome the many guests and visitors we are blessed to receive each and every Sunday. Thanks be to God!

As I begin to get settled in as your new pastor, I am doing a lot of listening and a lot of learning. One thing that has always been important to me in my ministry is a Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC). I am grateful that Mary Lentz (clerk of session), Ann Rhyne, Mike Steele, and Cullie Tarleton (active elder) have agreed to serve on this committee. I will meet with them, regularly, to get and give feedback and to share ideas. They are my direct communication pipeline.

I remember each of you in my prayers each day and continue to give thanks to God for bringing us together as church family and pastor.

Your Pastor,

Kathy

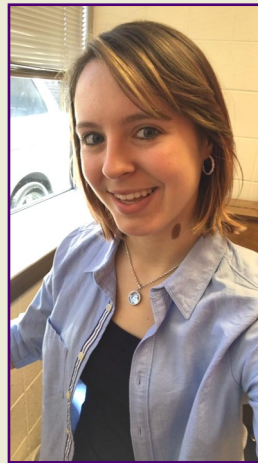
Rumple Says Welcome to Eric Luke and Cassidy Nooner

Please join me in welcoming Eric Luke as our new accompanist at Rumple. Eric was born in Gautier (pronounced Gochay) Mississippi where he lived until he was eight years old. He moved to Cary, NC on the first day of his 3rd grade year and remained there until beginning his studies at ASU. Eric began at ASU in the Music Therapy program. His principal instrument was euphonium. In addition to euphonium he has played several band instruments. He later added piano and eventually changed his major to piano performance. He graduated in May of 2017 with a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance. Eric enjoys living in the high country and in addition to his duties at Rumple will serve as a staff accompanist at ASU. We are delighted Eric has agreed to share his talents with us and are looking forward to making some beautiful music together! Be sure to come up and say hello as we welcome Eric to the Rumple family.



Welcome Cassidy Nooner as our Youth Intern!

Cassidy is a rising junior at Appalachian State University and majoring in Music Therapy. She is from Salisbury, NC where she served as the Drum Major of the West Rowan Marching Falcons. Cassidy has spent her summer working with youth through the Carolina Cross Connection Home Repair program. She currently serves as the worship leader at the App State Wesley Foundation on the campus of ASU. Cassidy will primarily work with the Middle and High School youth and families of Rumple, but hope that all the Rumple community will get to know her and welcome her to Rumple. Cassidy's first Sunday will be August 20.



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

Thank you to the Rumple Family for your generosity in making the manse HVAC update such a great success. As Cullie Tarleton said in worship on July 23- there is good news, good news, and good news. The church family raised more funds than were needed for the HVAC update and the remaining, approximately \$4000 has been placed in a Manse Maintenance Reserve Account for future manse repairs.

Many thanks to Elder Bill Thorn who took the bids, and contracted with the HVAC company and made sure the project was completed well.

These are a few pictures of the new units in the manse.



2017 Nominating Committee

Who, what, when, where, why, and how?

The 2017 Nominating Committee has begun their work. This year's committee, per the Rumple Manual of Procedures, is made up of three at large members (elected in October 2016) and two elders in the class of 2017. Committee members are: Kathy Earley (chair), Audrey Gurkin, Mike Mayfield, Curt Salthouse (secretary), Bill Thorn.

The committee is tasked with nominating four elders for the class of 2020 (elders in the Presbyterian Church are elected for a three year term,) and nominating three at-large members for the 2018 Nominating Committee (who will be joined by two elders from the class of 2018.)

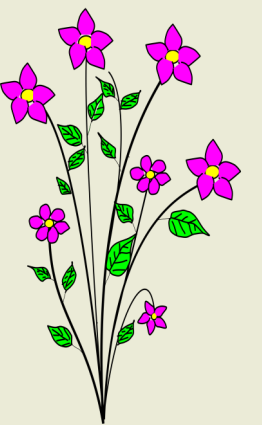
The 2017 Nominating Committee wants to begin their important task by bringing the whole Rumple family on board with the process, which is outlined both by Presbyterian Church (USA) polity and the Rumple Manual of Procedures (last revised in 2014.)

The Nominating Committee will begin soliciting names from you, the members and friends of Rumple, beginning the first Sunday of August, the 6th. They will continue to receive suggestions of folks who you think will make good spiritual leaders for Rumple, throughout August. Nominations can be made by filling out a form or by emailing the committee chair, Kathy Earley, at kathyearley50@gmail.com. In September, the Committee will begin their prayerful deliberations of selecting four nominees (two men and two women per Rumple's Manual of Procedures) willing to serve. They will also select three at large members as nominees for next year's nominating committee.

Once the Nominating Committee has their slate of elders, they will ask the Session to call a congregational meeting where the official election of elders and nominating committee members will take place. This meeting will be announced at least two weeks in advance and the names and bios of the nominees will be shared at that same time. As is allowed in Presbyterian polity, other candidates may be nominated from the floor, if the person nominating has secured the permission of the candidate. All active members (but not affiliate members) of Rumple are eligible to serve as elders and are able to vote in the congregational meeting.

Thank you The Blowing Rock Garden Club thanks everyone who has worked on creating and maintaining the beautiful Rumple gardens especially Joe and Sylvia Kiker, Debra Brenner and Bill Thorn. We were pleased that your church was included in the event. We also thank those folks who greeted the visitors on the day of the *Mile of Flowers*. Additional thanks to Hazel Smithey and Heather Sigmon who were most helpful to us during this journey.

Pat Collins, Mile of Flowers Chair, Blowing Rock Garden Club



Montreat

Another Montreat Youth Conference in the books! A HUGE thank you to our youth intern, Darby Teander and adult volunteers Kelly Coffey, Natasha Schoonover and Annie Tarbutton for giving their time to chaperone.



The 11 high school youth who attended the conference.



Stay connected with Rumble!

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

Our 98th Grandfather Home for Children Sunday

For 98 years, Rumble has celebrated the work of Grandfather Home for Children (now known as Hope Alliance for Children) with a special service in August. This year, the date is **August 6. We will have only one service that day at 11:00.**

This is traditionally a very important worship service for our church, since it was established by Rev. Edgar Tufts who served this church as pastor. He is the same Presbyterian pastor who founded Grandfather Home for Children in Banner Elk in 1914. He encouraged our church to help support the home and education of orphaned children. And like the 97 years before this year, we will take a special offering for the children's home and remember our heritage with Rev. Tufts' leadership and work in our mountain area. In 2014 Grandfather Home joined in mission with Barium Springs Home for Children in Troutman. Barium Springs was also funded by Presbyterians in the late 1800's. Together, the two homes and all their ministries are now **Children's Hope Alliance.**

This year, we are pleased to welcome back John Cockman and his family who will help us lead worship with music and word. For this special occasion, we will have only **one worship service at 11:00.**



Rumple on a Mission

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as man involves the church in the common life of men. His service to men commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of mankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of men in every kind of need.

-from the PC(USA) Confession of 1967

Rumple on a Mission continues our focus on child and youth services through the month of August. We are so excited and grateful that our congregation's generosity allowed us to meet our original goals, and then to increase our goals to 750 composition books, 50 backpacks, and 200 packs of colored pencils to the **Back 2 School Festival** for area students! Organizers expect over 1200 students to benefit from this year's Festival, and Rumple's Mission Committee is thrilled to have so much support from our membership. The Festival takes place on August 12th and donations were accepted through early August at Rumple.

We also continue our Food 4 Families deliveries to five Blowing Rock area families. Rumple and Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. volunteers gather at the church to pack and deliver boxes of food to families with children on free or reduced lunches at Blowing Rock School. Our final delivery of the summer, before school resumes on August 21, will be on Friday, August 11. If you would like to help that day, please contact Tracy Markland, marklandtracy@gmail.com.

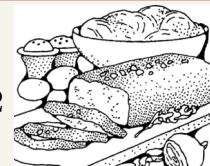
Missions also helps coordinate monthly food collections for **Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S.** Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. is a food bank that helps provide basic non-perishable food to families and individuals in Watauga County. The Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. food pantry is open for clients on Mondays from 9 am to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

The August items of need for Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. are canned fruit in natural juices and toilet paper. Please bring your items throughout the month of August and leave them in the shopping cart in the church lobby.

Rumple's Mission Committee is also committed to **Habitat for Humanity Faith Build.** The Love family home is currently under construction and we are helping to coordinate Saturday volunteer work crews and lunch crews. If you, your Sunday School class, Circle, social group, etc., are interested in building (no skills necessary!) or providing lunch, please contact Tim Harris at timharris_2@charter.net, or at 828-262-1067.

Save the date! Al and Ellen Smith, Presbyterian mission co-workers in Russia will be back with us at Rumple on Sunday, September 3. They will share about their mission and ministry during the Sunday School hour (9:45 in the Fellowship Hall) and will deliver the sermon during worship at 11:00.

Fifth Monday Service at Hospitality House Every 5th Monday, Rumple Church is responsible for cooking and serving food for the Hospitality House in Boone. 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.

Rumple Memorial Session Digest July 24, 2017 Stated Session Minute Highlights

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Kathy Beach.

Rev. Beach reminded us that God was with us by lighting the Jesus candle. Mary Lentz, during devotional, reminded us that PRAYER is the answer to everything we need as a church. That we are protected and loved because we know who is in control!

The minutes for June 2017 were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance: Cullie Tarleton gave a detailed report on each line item for the month of June.

Properties: Bill Thorn reported on work done (almost complete) at the manse.

Stewardship: Rev. Beach reported on committee's plans being made for the coming stewardship campaign.

Worship: Brenda Lentz' committee brought a motion to change the payment for the minister to officiate a wedding at Rumple from \$500 to \$200. The motion was seconded by Danny Kirkland and passed by common consent.

Rev. Beach gave her monthly report on planned session retreat coming up in October. Plus plans for June 30th and October 1 to accept new members.

Old Business: Mike Ryne, President of the Corporation, Danny Kirkland, Vice President, Cullie Tarleton, Treasurer, Mary Lentz. By motion by Brenda Lentz, seconded by Danny Kirkland, the above were elected by common consent.

Cullie Tarleton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Danny Kirkland, closing prayer given by Kathy Beach. Motion past common consent.

The August Session Meeting will be on August 28th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Lentz, Clerk

August Sermon Series—Four Miracles

August 6

August 13

August 20

August 27

Around Rumble

Presbyterian Women Circle News and Meetings

Moderator Adele Dunbar 295-3720

Circle I meets the first Monday of each month August –May at 6 pm in a restaurant, a member's home or in the Rumble House.

Teresa Lentz 295-3276

Circle II meets the second Monday of each month at 2pm in the home of Mary Lentz—295-7289.

Circle III meets the third Monday of each month May-October at 10:30 in the Rumble House or a member's home. Jean Baskin 295-0901

Circle IV meets the second Monday of each month April –December in a member's home or the Rumble House. Members gather at 1:00 for fellowship and refreshments and the meeting starts at 1:30.

Marion Thorn 268-0616

Circle V meets the first Wednesday of each month April-December at the Rumble House. Members gather at 9:30 for fellowship and refreshments and the meetings starts at 10:00. Kathy Earley 263-0255



Lemonade on the Lawn, Annual Church Picnic and Second Sunday Lunches

I hope everyone has been enjoying the Lemonade on the Lawn after the 11:00 service over the summer.

Lemonade on the Lawn will continue through the month of August - right up until the final Sunday, August 27th, when we will have our

Annual Church Picnic from 12 to 2pm! The meal will be catered by *Come Back Shack* with a cost of \$8.00 per person (not to exceed \$30.00 per family). Be on the lookout for sign-up sheets in Friendship Pads in the pews or on the display case in the lobby.

Second Sunday Lunches/Wednesday Dinners will resume in September with a little twist - some months dinner will be held on the second Wednesday instead of lunch on Sunday. This is a tradition that was held at Rumble years ago and we hope if you are not able to join us on Sunday, you can make it to a mid-week meal! Dates for the coming months are below:

September 13th (Wednesday)

October 11th (Wednesday)

November 12th (Sunday)

December - Day TBD

Save the Date

August 16 Summer Prayer Service 6:00

August 20 Blessing of the Children 11:00

August 27 Annual Church Picnic 12:00 after worship

Happy Birthday!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sandi Tinsley
- 3 Ann Williams
- 4 Ben O'Neal
- 5 Barbara Julien
- 5 James Shore
- 8 Lisha Deal
- 8 Janet Jones
- 8 B.J. Tugman
- 9 Wilson Deal
- 10 Barbara Clark
- 10 Carol Wodall
- 11 Bill Mauldin
- 12 Teresa Lentz
- 14 Sutton Henline
- 16 Chuck Hendrix
- 17 Mike Mayfield
- 20 Rita White
- 21 Alice Salthouse
- 22 Rush Peace
- 23 Drew Dunn
- 25 Pat Coley
- 26 Joan Chater
- 27 Bill Magruder
- 27 Quincy Parham
- 31 George Sudderth
- 31 Cyndie Tolbert

2017 Fundraising Parking Lot Schedule

August 12—Circle 1

September 9— Campus Ministries

October 7— Circle IV

November 25 (Parade) - Christian Education

Church Nurture

Programs Re-Start at Rumble

Youth Group

Rumble has a vibrant Middle and High School youth program guided by our Youth Committee, Youth Intern and Director of Christian Education. Throughout the school year, our youth experience service retreats, conferences, mission projects and fellowship together.

All 6th – 12th graders are invited to participate, so invite your friends!

Kick-Off Cook-Out at the Manse!

Sunday August 20, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Bring a side dish to share

Youth AND Parents are encouraged to attend the first meeting of the year!

K.I.C.K.S and Fusion

Wednesday afternoons are full of laughter and fun at Rumble!

Each Wednesday after school (2:30 p.m.) children and youth gather at Rumble Church for snacks, games, study and fellowship.

K.I.C.K.S stands for "Kids in Christ Keeping the Spirit" and is for children in Kindergarten – 5th grade.

Fusion is a program for Middle School youth, 6th – 8th grades.

Our first meeting of the 2017-2018 school year is

Wednesday August 30 Invite your friends!

A new adult Bible Study, "One: A Small Group Journey Toward Life-Changing Community," will begin on Tuesday, August 15 at 11:30 in the Rumble House. This engaging study will be led by Pastor Kathy Beach and Rene Cuthill and continue for 8 weeks. Student books will be available in the church office for \$10 starting August 3. The study is divided into two, four week parts.



The Third Summer Prayer Service will be **Wednesday, August 16 at 6:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary. This service will focus on prayers for students, teachers, and staff as both Watauga County and Appalachian State prepare to begin a new school year on August 21. The service will include special music, silence, Scripture, and prayer. Childcare will be provided but the service will be appropriate for older children.

Communion will be celebrated at both worship services on Sunday, August 13. The elders will be serving home communion that afternoon to anyone who is unable to attend worship but who would like to share in the sacrament. Please contact Mary Lentz, clerk of Session, if you or a family member, would like to receive home communion, marylentz41@gmail.com

Concerns and Cares

We pray for: Lillon Henline, Nathan Miller Jacobs, Buz Helms, Richard and Rebecca Holshouser, JoAnn Jones, Brenda Lentz, Nancy Trexler, James Burgess at home; Cecil Brandon, Charlie Landreth, Mary Goodwin at Deerfield Ridge Assisted Living.

We grieve with the family of former Rumble member, Fred Preddy, who died July 23, at Hill Crest Assisted Living in Durham. There will be a graveside service for Mr. Preddy on Friday August 11 at 4:00 at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Blowing Rock.

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.

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.

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.

There is a **Medical Supply Loaner Closet** in the Rumble House with medical supplies to be used by anyone as needed.

Stay Connected! Rumble publishes a weekly email newsletter. Keep up to date on the latest calendar and happenings at Rumble. Email Cameron Womack to be connected: educator@rumplechurch.org.

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.

Kathy will be away on vacation August 3-6. The elders on call are Davis Hankins and Kim Rogers. If you have a pastoral care need or emergency please call the church office or one of these elders. They will all know how to be in touch with Kathy.

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



9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship

August 2017 at Rumble

ACU—Adult Classroom Upstairs
 PS—Pastor's Study
 L—Library
 RH—Rumple House
 FH—Fellowship Hall

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 11:30-1:00 Bible Study (L)	2 9:30 Circle 5 (RH) 9-1 BR Garden Club (FH) 10:30 BR GC Board (ACU) 11:00 Staff Mtg (L) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	3	4	5
6 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Grandfather Home for Children Sunday	7 6:00 Circle 1—Home of Teresa Lentz	8	9 11:00 Staff Mtg (L) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	10 10:30 Prayer Shawl (RH)	11 2:00 Food Packing (ACU)	12 Art in the Park Circle 1 Parking Lot
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