

RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

Annual meeting of the congregation today, immediately following worship. The purposes of the meeting will be to approve changes in the terms of call for our pastor and to receive the annual report, including financial reports for 2017 and the session-approved budget for 2018. All members are encouraged to remain after worship for this short but important meeting.

The youth will be helping to collect food and supplies to stock the Blowing Rock CARES pantry before and after worship that morning. Please help to stock the pantry shelves and help to feed our hungry neighbors. Cash and checks will also be accepted.

GIFT Class February 11 at 9:45 in the Butterfly Classroom. GIFT stands for *Growing in Faith Together*. Kalie invites you and your family to come to this class and learn about the season of Lent.

Second Sunday lunches continue next Sunday, February 11, immediately after worship with a Valentine's themed lunch. This lunch will be pot-luck. Everyone is asked to bring an entrée, side dish, or dessert to feed 4-6 others. Fellowship meals will continue with a St. Patrick's Day dinner on Wednesday, March 14, and lunch on Sunday, April 8.

Ash Wednesday is February 14. Rumple will mark the beginning of Lent with a worship service and the imposition of ashes at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Child care will be provided.

The Walk: A Spiritual Journey through Lent. Kathy will lead a six week small group prayer and bible study, an intentional time for people to gather around the Word of God and reflect on their relationship with Jesus Christ. The small group will meet each Tuesday at 11:30-1:00, and repeated on Tuesday evening, 6:00-7:30 p.m., beginning Feb. 20 and continuing through March 13. Groups will meet in The Rumple House. Interested participants please sign up with Hazel (office@rumplechurch.org) so that you will have ample time to read a small book in preparation for the group. The book, Making All Things New: An Invitation to the Spiritual Life, by Henri Nouwen, will be available in the church office for purchase, \$10 each, beginning Feb. 8. If you are unable to participate in the group but would like to read along with the book, please speak to Kathy.

Blowing Rock CARES needs more volunteers! Are you able to help on Monday mornings (between 9-12 when the pantry is open for distributing food) or are you able to buy or unload food at other times during the week? Please contact Tim Harris, board chair, timharris_2@charter.net or Teresa Lentz, board member and Monday volunteer coordinator, lentzt@gmail.com.

The Rumple Missions Committee also wants to stock the food pantry of BR CARES. Today is the first Sunday of a new initiative at Rumple this year- **First Sunday Food Pantry Donations**. Each first Sunday of the month Rumple members and friends will be encouraged to bring most needed food items to fill the pantry shelves. Consider filling a whole grocery bag, if you can. Most needed food items in the BR CARES pantry: canned tuna and chicken, pork and beans, canned beans, canned fruit, peanut butter, and toilet paper.

**Please keep in your prayers
Rumple members**

Brenda Lentz, Kaye Morgan, recovering from hip surgery; Bill Thorn; Roger Broeker, Erin Tobin, Darby Teander, Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Brenda Lentz, Natasha Schoonover, preparing for ordained ministry; Drew Taylor, active duty in U.S. Coast Guard

Family and friends of Rumple

Jon Wright, son of Norm and Melinda Wright; Betty Pitts, Mark Johnson's parents, Buck and Betty; Tasha, Evan Adair's mother; Joyce Rodriguez, sister of Carolyn Nelson; Stanley Coffey, son of Betty Coffey, Phyllis Foster, friend of Wes Thompson, people, people in Afghanistan; Ellen and Al Smith and their mission in Russia

Please contact Hazel in the church office if you have other prayer concerns to add.

Rumple Calendar

Sunday February 4

11:00 Worship
12:00 Congregational Meeting
6:00 Youth Super Bowl Party (Manse)

Monday February 5

6:00 Circle 1 (RH)

Wednesday February 6

11:00 Staff Meeting (L)
2:30 KICKS and Fusion
6:00 Handbells (KMC)
7:00 Sanctuary Choir (KMC)

Friday February 9

Youth leave for CROSS Mission Trip

Sunday February 11

9:45 Sunday School
9:45 GIFT Class (Butterfly Classroom)
11:00 Worship
12:00 Second Sunday Lunch

YC—Youth Cottage
FH—Fellowship Hall
ACU—Adult Classroom Upstairs
RH—Rumple House
KMC—Keys Music Center

**Rumple Memorial
Presbyterian Church**

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
February 4, 2018
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Penitence"

Michael Shea

+CALL TO WORSHIP

In the presence of a God whose word has called the earth and the stars into being.

We stand in awe.

In the presence of a God whose arms have held children,

We stand in trust.

In the presence of a God whose breath has stirred within us and caused our hearts to thirst for justice,

We stand in need.

Before you, Giver of Life, we come in faith, in search of love, justice, and wholeness.

Let us worship God.

+HYMN OF PRAISE "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Text: Charles Wesley Music: Carl Gotthelf Gläser

No. 610

Tune: AZMON

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Resurrection, with his whole being Christ Jesus sacrificed himself for the sake of your love for us. Teach us the joy of giving ourselves to you, so that we yearn for your presence, long for your salvation, and so find you living in us.

God of Mercy, it is your will that we love and work and pray for those who are in need of bread and of shelter, of healing and of wholeness. Strengthen us to be such disciples of our Risen Lord that we follow his example, offering love and care to those in our community and around the world. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively)

Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

Evan Adair, cantor

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

“Gloria Patri”

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them and place them in the offering basket.

ANTHEM

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Bernard of Clairvaux, 12th century, translated by Edward Caswall, (1814-1878), arr. Howard Helvey

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills the breast;
but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest; and in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the memory find,
a sweeter sound than Jesus’ Name, the Savior of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind Thou art: to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show;
the love of Jesus, what is it, none but who love Him know.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we pray that you will speak to us through your Word today. Open our hearts, open our ears, open our minds, we pray, so that these ancient words may speak your truth to us this day. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 61:1-4; p. 650

SERMON

Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Text: Isaac Watts Music: Attr. John Hatton

No. 265

Tune: DUKE STREET

CELEBRATION OF THE MINISTRY OF BLOWING ROCK CARES
(CHILDREN ARE REALLY EXTRA SPECIAL)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY

+DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

No. 606

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, we offer to you these gifts in response to all that you have given to us. We make these offerings with thanksgiving and pray that they will be used to share the good news through the mission and ministry of this church. We also make this offering of food today, giving thanks for the ministry of Blowing Rock CARES. We pray that this food will be a blessing for all who will receive it and a small piece of feeding our hungry neighbors. We give and we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN

Text and Music: Peter Scholtes

“We Are One in the Spirit”

No. 300

Tune: THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“For Unto Us A Child Is Born”

GF Handel

Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

WORSHIP NOTES

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Shirley Harris, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Anne and Alex Bernhardt, Lou Moore, David Hardage

Large Print Hymnals and Assistive Listening devices for worship are available in the narthex. If you would like to use a “Sound Mate” while in worship, please see Kent Leonard (at the soundboard) or an usher for assistance.

Today Rumble celebrates the ministry of Blowing Rock CARES. We give thanks for the dedicated board and volunteers that have served Blowing Rock CARES these first nine years. Linda Laughter, Susan Graham, Katy Gurkin, Jennifer Hale, Jackie Kirkland, Alexis and Brian Molenda, Lee Ryan, Myra Scroggins, Kevin and Liz Tinchler, Misty Watson, AliceAnne Williams

We also give thanks for those willing to serve this year: Katie Gurkin, Rev. Stephanie Hankins, Tim Harris, Wayne Holliday, Teresa Lentz, Carmen Patella, Ray Pickett, Sylvia Tarleton and include ex-officio members: Linda Laughter, Mary Lentz, Jerry Hutchens.

A Nursery is provided each Sunday morning for infants through five years old in the Keys Church Nursery area on the downstairs level of the education building. Please ask an usher to direct you to the nursery. The nursery is staffed by wonderful church volunteers and paid staff.

Children's Church is a worship education class for children kindergarten- second grade. After the "time with the children," all participants follow their adult leaders to the "Butterfly classroom" on the second floor of the church education building. (Children may be picked up in this classroom after worship is over.) If your elementary age child prefers to remain in worship there are worship bulletins and worship bags at both of the entrances to the sanctuary.

Welcome to all who have come to worship God at the Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church this morning. If you are a guest or a visitor, this church family welcomes you. We invite you to fill out a visitor card or leave your contact information on the fellowship pad. The Rumble family would love to get to know you and share information about the ministries and missions of Rumble. If you would like to receive weekly news from Rumble, please leave us your email address with that noted. If you have questions, please speak to one of the ushers or with our pastor, Kathy.

Would you or someone you know like to become a member or an affiliate member of Rumble? If you are only a part-time resident of Blowing Rock, did you know that you can keep your full membership in your church back home and still officially become a part of the Rumble family too? Affiliate members retain their membership in their home church but “affiliate” with Rumble. Interested in joining or affiliating with Rumble, please call or email Kathy, pastor@rumplechurch.org. Rumble will host another Welcome Class this spring.

The new flower chart for 2018 is up and ready for sign-ups. Please consider providing flowers for the sanctuary one Sunday to celebrate or remember a special loved one or event. The chart is located in the glass case in the office reception area, near Hazel’s desk. You may sign up right on the calendar or you can call Hazel to sign up.