RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

The Walk: A Spiritual Journey through Lent, is a six-week small group bible study. The small groups meet each Tuesday at 11:30-1:00, or 6:00-7:30 p.m., through March 27. Groups meet in The Rumple House and are led by our pastor, Kathy Beach. The groups are reading Making All Things New: An Invitation to the Spiritual Life, by Henri Nouwen. Copies are available in the church office for purchase, \$10 each. New folks are still welcome to join this week, February 27.

GIFT Class March 11 at 9:45 in the Butterfly Classroom. GIFT stands for Growing in Faith Together. Kalie invites elementary children and their parents or grandparents to come and learn and grow together.

Rise Against Hunger meal packing and fellowship meal is Sunday, March 18 from 3-5 pm at the American Legion building. Rumple will join together with St. Mary's Episcopal, Faithbridge United Methodist, and Presbyterian-Episcopal Campus Ministries for this afternoon of mission, fellowship, and worship. If you plan to attend, please call of email Hazel (office@rumplechurch.org) to sign up.

The next monthly fellowship meal is dinner on Wednesday March 14 at 6:00 pm. Come enjoy good food and fellowship, and a St. Patrick's Day themed evening.

Rumple member and former youth intern, Darby Teander, is serving this year as a Young Adult Volunteer through our Presbyterian Church (USA). She and her fellow interns have recently asked for our prayers and additional financial support. Read her latest news on her blog at yavdarby.wordpress.com.

Save the date: Women's Connection, August 10-12, 2018 in Montreat. Information and details will be in the March Slate & Stone and you may contact Linda Mauldin, mauldinLL@yahoo.com for more information.

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 Teresa Lentz, board member and Monday volunteer coordinator, lentzt@gmail.com.

The Rumple Missions Committee wants to stock the food pantry of BR CARES. Each first Sunday of the month Rumple members and friends are 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 meats, canned beans, and toilet paper. Food can also be dropped off in the shopping cart in the office reception area Monday—Thursday. Next Sunday, March 4 will be the next BR CARES First Sunday food collection.

Please keep in your prayers **Rumple members**

Leigh Derby upon the death of his father Harry Leigh Derby, III, on 2/13 in Charlotte; Linda Steen, Brenda Lentz, Kaye Morgan, Bill Thorn; Roger Broeker, Erin Tobin, Darby Teander, serving as Young Adult Volunteer; Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Natasha Schoonover, preparing for ordained ministry; Drew Taylor, active duty in U.S. Coast Guard

Family and friends of Rumple

Dave McCollum's daughter Brittany and Dan Durst, on their marriage 2/24 in Clemmons, NC; Helen, sister of Bill Magruder; 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.

Sunday February 25

11:00 Worship 5:00-6:30 Combined Youth (YC)

Monday February 26

5:30 Session (RH)

Tuesday February 27

11:30-1:00 Lenten Bible Study (RH) 6:00-7:30 Lenten bible Study (RH)

Wednesday February 28

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

Sunday March 4

9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:00-6:30 Combined Youth (YC)

> 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 25, 2018 Second Sunday in Lent

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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

"Looking Toward Jerusalem"

Gerald Peterson

+CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 25

We come together to worship God who leads us in the truth.

All the pathways of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness; We put our trust in God as we follow Jesus on this Lenten journey. Let us worship God who leads us.

+HYMN OF PRAISE "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Text: Cecil Frances Alexander Music: Martin Shaw

No. 20 Tune: ROYAL OAK

+OUR LENTEN CONFESSION

God of truth, it is difficult for us to be truthful before you. We want to hide our anxieties and fears, our resentments and self-centeredness but you see through us. You know the truth. God of mercy, forgive us, we pray, even for the sin we cannot see or find too painful to confess. Set us, once again, on the right path so that we may follow Jesus to the cross and the empty tomb. May we live now for you, seeking not our own glory, but your kingdom.

+SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord, Have Mercy" Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

from Psalm 91

No. 577

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them. I will be with them in trouble, and show them my salvation.

Receive the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy'

No. 435

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea. There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Kalie Gorham

The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them and place them in the offering basket. The Pennies for Hunger offering will be collected by the children this morning

ANTHEM

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1875, Music: Charles McCartha

All the way my Savior leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt His tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in Him to dwell! For I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me, cheers each winding path I tread, Giving grace for every trial, feeding me His living bread; Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be, Gushing from the rock before me, lo! a spring of joy I see.

All the way my Savior leads me; O the fullness of His love! Per4fect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above; When my spirit, made immortal, wings its flight to realms of day, This my song through endless ages, "Jesus led me all the way."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 116; p. 533

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 6:25-34; p. 6

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

"God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"

No. 436

Text: John J. Moment Music: Paris Antiphoner

Tune: O QUANTA QUALIA

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 "Were You There?"

No. 606

Gregg Sewell

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.

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+DOXOLOGY

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN "Seek Ye First"

No. 175 Text and Music: Karen Lafferty Tune: LAFFERTY

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

"Now Thank We All our God" **POSTLUDE** Anne Marie David

Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison +Indicates those who are able may stand.

WORSHIP NOTES

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Kalie Gorham, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Mike and Misty Mayfield, Charles and Katie Gurkin

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.

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.

The Pennies for Hunger offering is received today. This monthly offering supports the hunger ministries of Salem Presbytery, including Hospitality House in Boone. The amount received at Rumple in 2017 was \$3,064.03 and \$153.55 in January 2018.

Welcome to all who have come to worship God at the Rumple 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 Rumple family would love to get to know you and share information about the ministries and missions of Rumple. If you would like to receive weekly news from Rumple, 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.

Rumple welcomes the youth and adult chaperons from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Savannah, GA this morning. They are in the high country for a ski weekend and spent the night at Rumple last night.

Rumple is sending out daily Lenten devotional emails from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. There are also Lenten daily devotional calendars available in the church office and Lenten handouts for children and families available in the sanctuary. If you do not receive Rumple's emails, please call Hazel in the church office to be added.

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.