RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

GIFT Class, Sunday, 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.

Save the date! Rise Against Hunger meal packing and fellowship meal is Sunday, March 18 from 3-5 p.m. 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. The meal packing is something folks of all ages and physical abilities can participate in. Rumple is committed to providing at least 20 volunteers. If you are able to attend please call or email Hazel at office@rumplechurch.org. After the meal packing, everyone is invited to remain at the American Legion for a pot luck dinner.

The next monthly fellowship meal is a second Wednesday dinner on Wednesday, March 14 at 6:00 pm. Come enjoy good food and fellowship, and a St. Patrick's Day themed evening. The main course and dessert will be furnished. You may bring a salad or vegetable dish to share.

Rumple member and former youth intern, Darby Teander, is serving this year as a Young Adult Volunteer through our Presbyterian Church (USA). Read her latest news on her blog at <u>yavdar-by.wordpress.com.</u>

Easter Lilies There are two options for your memorial/honor gift. You may choose to purchase an Easter Lilly and/or make a donation to the Music Fund. There are forms in the pew pads and on the display case in the office reception area. Forms are due to the church office by Monday, March 26, in order for names to be printed in the Easter bulletins.

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.

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.

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 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 items for March are canned meats (chicken, tuna, etc.), canned beans, and toilet tissue. Food can also be dropped off in the shopping cart in the office reception area Monday—Thursday.

Please keep in your prayers Rumple members

Brenda Lentz traveling to Florida this week for medical appointments; Leigh Derby upon the death of his father Harry Leigh Derby, III, on 2/13 in Charlotte; Linda Steen, 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

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, 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 March 4

11:00 Worship 12:15 Christian Education (L) 5:00-6:30 Combined Youth (Manse)

Monday March 5

10:30 Personnel Committee (L)

Tuesday March 6

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

Wednesday March 7

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

Sunday March 11

9:45 Sunday School 9:45 GIFT Class (Butterfly Classroom) 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 March 4 2018 Third Sunday in Lent



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

"Lead Me, Lord"

Samuel S. Wesley

+CALL TO WORSHIP

from Isaiah 43

Let us worship God, who has done great things.

We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland. We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

+HYMN OF PRAISE

"How Firm a Foundation"

Text: John Rippons Music: American folk melody

No. 463
Tune: FOUNDATION

+OUR LENTEN CONFESSION

O Lord, you desire truth in our inward being; teach us wisdom in our secret heart. Send out your light, send out your truth, and let them lead us to our home. Take from us the weight of our sin so that room may be made for the spirit of truth. Lead us to prepare a dwelling place for you, Lord God, so that truth and love will abide within us. Transform our hearts so that we can love not only in word speech but also deeds and actions. O Lord, transform us, we pray. Teach us wisdom in our secret heart. Amen.

+KYRIE

"Lord, Have Mercy" congregation second time:

No. 577

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

from Psalm 91

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.

Danny Kirkland
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Mike Rhyne
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"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

The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them and place them in the offering basket. Children, Kindergarten—second grade can leave with their leaders for children's church following the prayer.

Franz Schubert **ANTHEM** "Sanctus"

Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord! Holy, holy, holy, Holy is our God! He who always liveth, Evermore the same, Heaven and earth He ruleth, Come and praise His name!

Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord! Holy, holy, holy, Holy is our God! Glorious and beloved is the One adored! Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord! *

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Send your Spirit among us, O God, as we me make this Lenten journey. Prepare our minds to hear your Word. Move our hearts to accept what we hear. And strengthen us to obey in joy and faith. This we pray through Christ, our Savior. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Kings 19:8-16; p. 311

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

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 46

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:35-39; p. 33

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest" No. 824 Tune: MC AFEE

Text and Music: Cleland Boyd McAfee

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?" **Greg Sewell**

+DOXOLOGY No. 606

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

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

"If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee' +SENDING HYMN No. 816 Tune: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT Text and Music: Georg Neumark

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Earth and All Stars" 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; Jim Crowell, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Terry and Teresa, Ryan Beach-Verhey, Caroline Beach-Verhey

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.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in honor and loving memory of Barbara Lentz Wright by her Sunday School Class.

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 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 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 or email Hazel (office@rumplechurch.org) in the church office to be added.

Holy Week and Easter Worship

March 25 9:30 Palm Sunday community worship in the park March 25 11:00 Palm Passion Sunday worship in the sanctuary March 29 7:00pm Maundy Thursday worship with communion April 1 7:00 am Sunrise worship in the park 11:00 am Easter worship in the sanctuary