

RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

The Rumple Church Tour is back! Sunday, April 22, at 9:30 join Jane Rogers and Adele Dunbar for a tour and tales of Rumple. The group will gather in the office reception area and tour all of Rumple's facilities while learning stories of the history of the congregation and information about current ministries and mission. The tour will begin with coffee and goodies provided by the Welcome Team. The tour is open to all visitors and curious members.

Would you like to become a member or an affiliate member of Rumple? Rumple receives members and affiliates (members who retain membership in their church away from Blowing Rock but "affiliate" themselves with Rumple as well) throughout the year. The next Welcome Class will be on Sunday morning May 6 at 9:30, in the Pastor's study. Folks who wish to join will also have the opportunity to meet with the Session and be received as members that day. Please let Hazel, in the church office (office@rumplechurch.org) know if you plan to attend May 6.

The Session has called at congregational meeting for Sunday, May 6, immediately following worship. The purpose of this brief meeting is for the congregation to vote on a change to the Rumple Manual of Procedures regarding the two elders who serve on the Nominating Committee each year.

The Rumple Missions Committee hopes to keep the food pantry of BR CARES stocked with food! Each first Sunday of the month Rumple members and friends are encouraged to bring most needed food items. Consider filling a whole grocery bag, if you can. Most needed items are canned meats (chicken, tuna, etc.), canned beans, canned fruit in natural juices, and toilet tissue. Food can also be dropped off in the shopping cart in the office reception area Monday—Thursday. May 6th will be the next first Sunday collection. Let's stock the pantry shelves!

The Vision (Dream) Team, appointed by the Session, is busy reaching out to members of Rumple to engage in conversation about your hopes and dreams for this family of faith. Would you like to be a part of a conversation with a Vision Team member? Please [email](mailto:elainejimc@gmail.com) Elder, Jim Crowell at elainejimc@gmail.com or call him, 295-9853.

Save the date: The annual Mother's Day Breakfast, is Sunday, May 13 at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Do you know someone who would make a great nursery attendant at Rumple? Rumple is hiring two mature adults, who love children, to work in the church nursery on Sunday mornings. This is just a three-four hour a week job. Pay is competitive and new staff would begin in May. Interested folks can call the church office for a job description and details about how to apply.

**Please keep in your prayers
Rumple members**

Bill Thorn, Brenda Lentz, Randy Stevens, recovering at home; Linda Steen, Roger Broeker, Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Natasha Schoonover, preparing for ordained ministry; Darby Teander, serving as Young Adult Volunteer; Erin Tobin and Drew Taylor, serving in the military

Family and friends of Rumple

Linda Hawkins (interim rector at St. Mary's) surgery 4/2; Family of James Fleming who died 3/5, funeral at Rumple 4/14; Palmer, granddaughter of Paul and Candice Horton; Helen, sister of Bill Magruder; Jon Wright, surgery on 4/12, son of Norm and Melinda Wright; Betty Pitts, Joyce Rodriguez, sister of Carolyn Nelson; Stanley Coffey, son of Betty Coffey, Phyllis Foster, friend of Wes Thompson, Ellen and Al Smith, missionaries in Russia

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

Sunday April 15

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

Monday April 16

4:00 Finance Committee (L)

Tuesday April 17

Rotary Blood Drive at Rumple

Wednesday April 18

11:00 Staff Meeting
2:30 KICKS and Fusion
4:00 Missions Committee (L)
5:00 Worship Committee (KMC)
6:00 Handbells (KMC)
7:00 Sanctuary Choir (KMC)

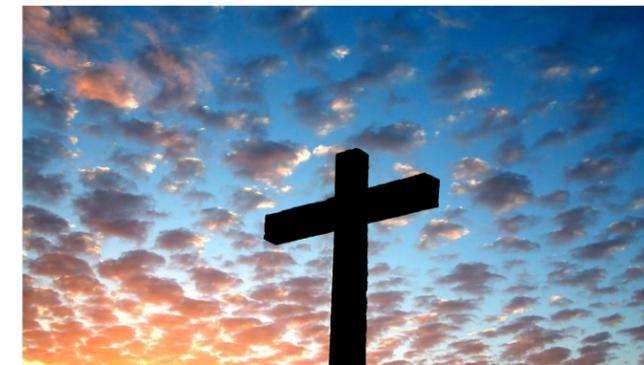
Sunday April 22

9:30 Church Tour
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
12:15 Congregational Care (L)
5:00 Combined Youth (YC)

YC—Youth Cottage FH—Fellowship Hall
RH—Rumple House KMC—Keys Music Center

**Rumple Memorial
Presbyterian Church**

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
April 15, 2018
Third Sunday of Easter



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Risen Savior Jesus Christ.
And also with you.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Praise Him! Praise Him!"

Mark Hayes

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us rejoice and be glad this Lord's day.

**Our God, who raised Jesus from the dead,
raises us to new life each day.**

We come to worship and give thanks to our God of new life.
Let us give thanks and praise God's Holy name.

+HYMN OF PRAISE "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Text: Edward Mote Music: William Batchelder Bradbury

No. 353
Tune: SOLID ROCK

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come before you, O God, in the joy of the Easter season, seeking to be people of the resurrection. And yet, we confess that when we are surrounded by the painful truth in our own lives, in the lives of our neighbors, and in the stories we read and hear each day, it is hard to practice resurrection hope. May you renew a sense of awe and wonder in us and remind us, in this season of new life, that you are able to make all things new. Help us to trust that you are at work in and through us to bring hope and love where there is brokenness and pain. We pray in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

+SILENT CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively) Evan Adair, cantor
Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear and believe the Good News.

In Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior, we have been made new.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Amen.

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Kim Rogers
Cullie Tarleton
Class of 2020
Jim Crowell
Jerry Hutchens
Jane Rogers
Lynne Waugh

+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. Amen.

“Gloria Patri”

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Emily Leonard

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.

ANTHEM

“Christ Has Broken Down the Wall”

Mark A. Miller

Christ has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one.

Christ has broken down the wall.

We’re accepted as we are. Through God’s love all is reconciled.

We’re accepted as we are.

Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here;

cast aside your doubts and fears.

We will tear down the walls! God has called us, one and all.

Christ has broken down the wall. *

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

We give you thanks, O God of sacred stories, for the witness of Holy Scripture. Bless our hearing of your word this day. By the power of your Holy Spirit may we be those who hear your Word today and act upon what we hear. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

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

1 John 3:1-3; p. 225

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

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

Acts 4:5-22; p. 113

SERMON

“Practicing Resurrection: Healing”

Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

No. 629

Text: Edward Caswall Music: John Bacchus Dykes

Tune: ST. AGNES

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jesus is our living Lord.

from *A Declaration of Faith*

We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real.

It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord. He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

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

“The Lord’s My Shephard”

Larry Shackley

+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

+SENDING HYMN

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

No. 624

Text: Elizabeth Lee Smith Music: Genevan Psalter (stanzas 1, 3 and 5)

Tune: TOULON

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Larry Shackley

Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

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WORSHIP NOTES

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Alice Salthouse, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Joe and Judy Carr, Wayne and Kathryn Holliday

The Easter season begins on Easter Sunday and continues through Pentecost (which means 50 days.) The color for the Easter season is white. Easter is a season of new life, hope, promise, and abundance. Throughout this season we will focus on these themes as we explore what it means to live as people of the resurrection. To celebrate this time of new life, Kathy will wear her white robe and colorful stole throughout the Easter season.

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.

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.

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 call Hazel to sign up.