RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

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!

Save the date: The annual Mother's Day Breakfast, hosted by the Carter Lentz Men's Class, is Sunday, May 13 at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

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 Elder, Jim Crowell at elainejimc@gmail.com or call him, 295-9853.

Come join the Explorers Sunday School class for the next 14 weeks as we read and discuss The Gospel of Hope, the latest book by Dr. Walter Brueggemann, who will be the Visiting Scholar at Rumple July 27. The class members will look at one chapter (short, only about 13 pages) each week and discuss the scriptures prompting the ideas expressed and reflect upon the implications for our lives as individuals and in Christian community. Meet with us in the Adult Classroom Upstairs, near the elevator promptly at 9:45 beginning April 22. Books will be available. If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Nelson at cinelsn@earthlink.net.

Sunday morning Adult Education Opportunities at Rumple (9:45-10:45 a.m.)

Women's Class (Library) Bible and Life Bible Study Series Carter Lentz Men's Class (Rocking Chair Room of Rumple House) Bible and Life Bible Study Series

Discoverers Class (Session Room of Rumple House) Anxious for Nothing by Max Lucado.

Please keep in your prayers **Rumple members**

Bill Thorn, Brenda Lentz, Randy Stevens, 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; Palmer, granddaughter of Paul and Candice Horton; Helen, sister of Bill Magruder; Jon Wright, 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 22

9:30 Church Tour 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:15 Congregational Care (L) 12:15 Youth Committee (YC) 5:00 Combined Youth (YC) Monday April 23 5:30 Session (RH) Wednesday April 25 11:00 Staff Meeting 2:30 KICKS and Fusion 6:00 Handbells (KMC) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir (KMC) **Sunday April 29**

11:00 Worship

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

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

Save the date! Vacation Bible School

will be Friday night, June 22 and all day Saturday, June 23. VBS is for all children 4 years old—5th grade.

Rumple Memorial **Presbyterian Church**

The Order of Service for the Worship of God April 22, 2018 Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 Text: Ralph Vaughan Williams Arr. by Andrew Birling

+CALL TO WORSHIP Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise the Lord in the heights. Praise God all the heavenly hosts! Praise the creator of sun and moon, praise God, all you shining stars! Praise the Lord, you highest heavens, and you waters above the skies. Let all praise the name of the Lord, for the Lord commanded and all was created. Praise the Lord from the earth, all creatures great and small. We praise the name of God!

+HYMN OF PRAISE "Morning Has Broken" Text: Eleanor Farjeon Music: Beverly A. Howard

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION O God, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen: You place us in your creation, and You command us to care for it. Your works declare glory and splendor, and You call us to praise and reverence. Where we have degraded or destroyed earth's bounty, forgive us. Where we have taken beauty and majesty for granted, have mercy upon us. Where we have become estranged from the creatures with whom we share this planet, grant us your peace. Renew us in the waters of baptism, refresh us with the winds of your spirit, and sustain us with the bread of life. In the name of Jesus Christ, and for the sake of the new creation, we pray. Amen.

+SILENT CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively) Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

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earth Lord's and is the Lord's and everything

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

"For All the Saints"

Adult Handbell Choir **Tune: SINE NOMINE**

adapted from Psalm 148

No. 664 Tune: BUNNESAN

Evan Adair, cantor

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. Everything old has passed away. See, everything has become new! All this is from God, who in Christ has reconciled us to each other, to God, and to creation. God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Thanks be to God for the sustaining grace and reconciling work that we are to share!

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE "Gloria Patri" 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.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN	Stephanie Hankins
The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them o	
Children, Kindergarten—second grade can leave with their leaders for ch	uildren's church following the prayer.

"God So Loved The World" ANTHEM **Bob Chilcott** God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that who so believeth in him, should not perish but have ever lasting life.

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.

PSALM OF THE DAY		Psalm 8; p. 466
	The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON		Romans 8:18-27; p. 148
	The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
SERMON	"Practicing Resurrection: Caring for Creation"	Kathy Beach
	WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS	
+HYMN OF RESPONSE	"God of the Fertile Fields"	No. 714

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OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY	"More Love to Thee"	William Doane
+DOXOLOGY		No. 606
	ll blessings flow; praise God, all creatures h praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	/ L

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We thank you, Lord God of All, that all good gifts come from you, and you reveal glimpses of your grace through them. Thank you for inviting us to be partners with you in caring for your creation. We offer these gifts now, knowing that they come first from you, then from other members of your family of creation, then from us. Bless these symbols of our awareness that we depend upon you and your creation for all that we call "ours." Please accept these gifts and our desire to be your partners in ministry in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer Words of Institution Sharing the Bread and Cup Music during Communion "Given for You" Prayer after Communion

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN	"For the Be
Text: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint	Music: Conrad Kocher

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison +Indicates those who are able may stand. * Used by Permission CCLI# 3145863

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Stephanie Hankins, Kalie Gorham, Liturgists; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Mike and Carol Capristo, Charles and Katie Gurkin; Elders serving Communion: Jerry Hutchens, Cullie Tarleton, Danny Kirkland

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.

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The communion table is an open table. All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to share in the meal. We will celebrate Communion by intinction today. Please come forward to a communion station, take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. If you are unable to come forward, the elders will come and serve you in your seat.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God on this Earth Day, in honor of God's good creation by Judy Lilly.

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 vou 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.

The 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.

by Richard Blake

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No. 14 Tune: DIX

WORSHIP NOTES