

RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

Next Sunday, January 13, come celebrate with the newly ordained and installed Rumble elders for a reception in the office reception area and enjoy some light snacks and good fellowship. The reception will immediately follow worship. The next church fellowship lunch will be on Sunday, February 10.

New Adult Sunday School Class - We will begin an adult Sunday School class that will meet in the choir room from 9:30 – 10:1m am, starting January 16, 2019. The class will be based on a DVD entitled, “The Question of God,” by Armond Nicholi, Jr. Dr. Nicholi compares the lives and teachings of CS Lewis and Sigmond Freud. The video is divided into segments with Lewis and Freud, followed by a discussion panel. Each class will focus on part of the video followed by class discussion. All are welcome.

Blowing Rock CARES is a food bank that helps provide basic non-perishable food to families and individuals in Watauga County. The food pantry is open for clients on Mondays from 9 am to 12:00pm right here at Rumble. The items needed for January are canned pineapple, canned tomatoes, oatmeal (round cardboard container), pancake/waffle mix, syrup, pudding/gelatin mix, and toilet tissue. Please place your food items in the shopping cart in the reception area. If you did not remember your items today, you may bring them during the week.

We continue to collect diapers to donate for the Children’s Council of Watauga County. Believing that “all children deserve equal care and basic necessities”, the Council supplies free diapers to local families through their “Who Needs a Change?” program. Rumble’s Mission Committee has a collection box in the office reception area through this morning, as we celebrate the birth of baby Jesus by helping other babies in our community.

Our beautiful decorations continue to fill the sanctuary throughout this final day of the Christmas season. If you purchased a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, we hope you will take it home after worship today. A huge thank you to Vicki Worsham, with lots of help from Billy Worsham and Jane Rogers, for all the Christmas decorations this season.

The church calendar is now on the home page of the Rumble website! For the most up-to- date church calendar information, check the website!

Rumble Staff

Kathy BeachPastor
Holly BannanDirector of Discipleship
Dave McCollumDirector of Music
Eric LukeAccompanist
Hazel SmitheySecretary
Cassidy NoonanYouth Intern
Kalie GorhamCommunications Intern
Julie AndersonNursery Supervisor
Mary Leah ReeceNursery Assistant
Heather Sigmon Custodian

Rumble’s Ruling Elders: (2019) Davis Hankins, Misty Mayfield, Kim Rogers, Cullie Tarleton (2020) Jim Crowell, Jerry Hutchens, Jane Rogers, Lynne Waugh (2021) Kathy Earley, Emily Leonard, Curt Salthouse (Clerk), Mike Steele

**Please keep in your prayers
Rumble members**

Elizabeth Carter; Jim Burgess, Foley Center; Sylvia Kiker, Roger Broeker, Barbara Scott, Brenda Lentz, Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Erin Tobin and Drew Taylor, serving in the military

Family and friends of Rumble

Leigh Debry’s mother, June Derby, health issues; Ann Rhyne’s cousin, Bonnie; Jan McClure, Holly Bannan’s mother; David Greene, son of David and Rachel Greene; Grover Gore, Susie Reynolds, sister of Patty Laubach; Meg Wagner, neighbor of Leslie Novilla; Joyce Rodriguez, sister of Carolyn Nelson; Stanley Coffey, son of Betty Coffey, Al and Ellen Smith, missionaries in Russia

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

This Week at Rumble

Sunday January 6

12:15 Christian Education Cmte. (L)

Tuesday January 8

7:00 am Youth Breakfast (YC)

Wednesday January 9

11:00 Staff Meeting (L)
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday January 10

10:30 Prayer Shawl

Sunday January 13

9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
12:15 Reception for Elders
4:00 Puerto Rico Mission Team
5:00 Combined Youth

YC—Youth Cottage FH-Fellowship Hall
RH-Rumble House KMC Keys Music Center
PS-Pastor’s Study
ACU-Adult Classroom Upstairs

We have many modes of communication here at Rumble. To stay up-to-date on upcoming events, please check our website, Facebook page, and eNews. To be added to the weekly email list, email Hazel, at office@rumplechurch.org.

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Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
January 6, 2019
Epiphany of the Lord



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND CHRISTMAS GREETING

Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World has come.
Jesus has come to light our world! Thanks be to God.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

Jay Rouse

from Isaiah 60

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, shine for your light has come,
And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Nations shall come to your light.
And sovereigns to the brightness of your rising.
Let us worship and join in following the star.

+HYMN OF PRAISE

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

No. 744

Text: Ruth Duck Music: William H. Walter

Tune: FESTAL SONG

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we have sought you in high and holy places; we are ill-prepared to acknowledge your presence among the lowly and the poor. We believe you are profound but we overlook your obvious truths. We are anxious about the unknown but we hardly consider the reality immediately in front of us. Turn us, incarnate God, by the simple wonders of your love to a rebirth of faith, hope, and joy in this Christmas season and in this new year. Guide us by your light to the dawn of Christ’s reign of peace, where strangers bearing gifts meet to worship Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE

“Lord Have Mercy” (sung responsively)

Evan Adair, cantor

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

+ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News! The Gospel of John reminds us that Jesus, the Living Word, has come into the world. “What has come into being in him was life and the life was the light of all people.”

The light of Christ shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it.

Friends, Christ has come to give light and life to our lives and to this world.

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

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righteousness!

Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.

**Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the new-born king!”**

No. 119

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY

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

Isaiah 60:1-6; p.649

ANTHEM

“Follow That Star”

Words by Pamela Stewart, Music by Brad Nix

(Refrain) Follow that star wherever it guides. Follow that star both far and wide.

Follow that star just follow that light.

Oh, wise men, follow that star. (Repeat)

See that star shining in the east. Brightest star you ever did see. **(Refrain)**

Leads to a King from far away. Gather your gifts and leave today. **(Refrain)**

Star will take you to Bethlehem. Find the King and worship Him. **(Refrain)** *

GOSPEL LESSON

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

Matthew 2:1-12; p.1

SERMON STORY

Home By Another Way

by Barbara Brown Taylor

Hymn No. 151 “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

We will sing the verses throughout the story.

The children are invited to get a costume and participate in the story.

RECEIVING OUR STAR GIFTS

Please remain seated as the children hand out the stars. If you would like to take an extra one for a friend or loved one, please do.

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

“As With Gladness Men of Old”

No. 150

Text: William Chatterton Dix Music: Conrad Kocher

Tune: DIX

OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFETORY

“Wise Ones Led by a Star”

Paul Taylor

+DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

No. 113

**Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains, and the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!**

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

Prayer of Gratitude

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN

“God of Our Life”

No. 686

Text: Hugh Thomson Kerr Music: Charles Henry Purday

Tune: SANDON

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“We Will Glorify”

Carol Tornquist

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Holly Bannan, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Curt and Alice Salthouse, Emily Smith, Breanna Meadows; Elders serving Communion: Mike Steele, Danny Kirkland, Kim Rogers, Kathy Beach; Characters for the sermon-story: Three Magi: Jim Crowell, Evan Adair, David Rogers; Baby Jesus: Bixby Markland; Mary: Breanna Meadows; Joseph: August Carter; Herod: Ryan Beach-Verhey; Animals and Shepherds: Children of Rumples

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. 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.

Large Print Hymnals and Assisted 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. Please recycle your bulletin; place it on the table in the back entrance or the recycle bin in the office workroom.

The wreaths on the front doors are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Clarence and Opal Greene by David and Rachel Greene and their family. **The large poinsettias** are given in honor and in memory of our loved ones by Terry and Teresa Lentz.

A Nursery is provided each Sunday morning (9:30-12:15) 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.

All Children are invited to remain in worship to participate in the Sermon Story. There are coloring pages in the worship bags for Epiphany. On most Sundays, children K-2nd grade can leave after the Time for Children for a special Children’s Church lesson.

The Advent Wreath and Chrismon Tree are the focal points of our Advent and Christmas Worship. The wreath’s evergreens and circular shape remind us of the unending love of God who we know in Jesus Christ. The four outer candles represent the four Sundays we spend in Advent, in anticipation of and preparation for Christmas. The white center candle is the Christ candle which is lit during the Christmas season. The candles remind us that Christ is the light of the world and that his light shines even in the darkness. The Chrismon tree gets its name from a combination of Christ and monogram. The tree is to focus our attention on Jesus. The decorations on the tree are only white and gold which are the liturgical colors for Jesus. Each of the ornaments is a symbol or monogram for Jesus.

Welcome to all who have come to worship God at the Rumples 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 Rumples family would love to get to know you and share information about the ministries and missions of Rumples. If you would like to receive weekly news from Rumples, please leave us your email address with that noted. If you have questions, please speak to one of the ushers, or to our pastor, Kathy.