

**RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE**

**There will an Inter-generational Lent Workshop on Sunday March 3.** We will make our own "Faces of Easter" box that can be shared with children and grandchildren during Lent. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 9:45 - 10:45. If you would like to participate, please email Holly by February 26 so she can order a kit for you.

**Ash Wednesday** marks the beginning of the season of Lent, the season of 40 days in preparation for Easter. Rumble will host Ash Wednesday worship on Wednesday, March 6, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Child-care will be provided. The service will include special music, Scripture, and the imposition of ashes.

**During Lent**, we will study Simon Peter, the "flawed but faithful disciple," based on Rev. Dr. Adam Hamilton's book. On Sunday mornings, the Discoverer's class will do this study together. Our students, both children and youth, will also participate in the Bible study during Lent. Kathy will lead a study group on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in the Library, beginning March 12. The deadline to sign up is **March 1** and books are \$15 each. You can sign up and pay for the book in the church office with Holly or Hazel.

**During Lent, we have another special Sunday School class** being offered called "Exploring the Spiritual Practice of Centering Prayer." This six week group, led by Rev. Lance Perry, will not only review the practice of Centering Prayer, but will also practice it. The group will begin Sunday, March 10 from 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. No book or prior reading required, but if you like to prepare ahead you can read "Intimacy with God" by Thomas Keating. For discussion purposes, this group will be limited to 10 people. Call or email Hazel in the church office to sign up, office@rumplechurch.org

**Blowing Rock CARES** is still collecting February food items. You may bring them anytime and drop off items in the shopping cart in the office reception area. Please visit the church website for February items needed.

**Save the date!** Sunday afternoon, April 7, 3:00-5:00 p.m. for the second annual Blowing Rock church and community Rise Against Hunger meal packing event at Blowing Rock School. Lots of volunteers are needed to pack 15,000 meals for hungry children.

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!

**Rumple Staff**

Kathy Beach .....Pastor  
Holly Bannan .....Director of Discipleship  
Dave McCollum .....Director of Music  
Eric Luke .....Accompanist  
Hazel Smithey .....Secretary  
Cassidy Nooner .....Youth Intern  
Kalie Gorham .....Communications Intern  
Julie Anderson .....Nursery Supervisor  
Mary Leah Reece .....Nursery Assistant  
Heather Sigmon .....Custodian

**Rumple'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:**

Miriam Newton, broken leg; Melinda Wright, shoulder surgery 2/27; Judy Lilly on the death of her brother, Ron Lilly on 2/11; Cassidy Nooner on the death of her grandfather, Darrell Clarence (Curley) Nooner; Rita White's son, Zach, recovering from back surgery; Gus Newton, Byron and Charleen Logan, Don Saunders, Elizabeth Carter; Jim Burgess, Sylvia Kiker, Roger Broeker, Barbara Scott, Brenda Lentz, Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Erin Tobin and Drew Taylor, serving in the military;

Buck and Bettye Johnson, Mark Johnson's parents; Russ Stubbs, Gus and Miriam Newton's son-in-law, David; Carol Capristo's mother, Ruby Vincent; Elayne Bishop, chemotherapy treatment; Leigh Debry's mother, June Derby, Ann Rhyne's cousin, Bonnie; Jan McClure, Holly Bannan's mother; Grover Gore, Susie Reynolds, sister of Patty Laubach; Meg Wagner, neighbor of Leslie Novilla; Stanley Coffey, son of Betty Coffey, Al and Ellen Smith, missionaries in Belarus, Germany and Russia

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

**Sunday February 24**

4:00 Puerto Rico Team (L)  
5:00 Youth (YC)

**Monday February 25**

5:30 Session (RH)

**Wednesday February 27**

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

**Sunday March 3**

9:45 Sunday School  
9:45 Lent Workshop  
11:00 Worship

12:15 Christian Education Comm. (L)  
5:00 Youth (YC)

*Youth Cottage FH-Fellowship Hall  
RH-Rumple 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  
February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



**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.**

Let us worship God.

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

PRELUDE

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Scott Sturtevant

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Take delight in the Lord, who satisfies the desires of your heart.

**Commit your way to the Lord and trust in God's actions.**

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for God.

**The Lord is our salvation and our refuge in times of trouble.**

from Psalm 37

+HYMN OF PRAISE

"Why Should I Feel Discouraged?"

No. 661

Text: Civilla Durfee Martin Music: Charles H. Gabriel

Tune: SPARROW

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your ways or trusted your promises.**

**We love only those who love us; we show kindness only to those who are kind to us;**

**we give only when we expect to receive. We do not forgive others as you have forgiven us.**

**Forgive us once again, Dear Lord. Fill our hearts with your selfless love.**

**Change our lives by your grace so that we can live as Jesus taught us and invites us still.**

**These things we pray through Christ our Savior. 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

from Luke 6

Through Jesus Christ our Lord we have received grace in good measure spilling out and running over.

In Jesus we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

May we live as Christ commands: Be merciful, as God is merciful; do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned; but forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you.

**May it be so in our lives. Amen.**

+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.**

“Gloria Patri”

OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY

“Abide With Me”

Carol Torquist

**WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Holly Bannan

*The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them and place them in the offering basket.*

*Children, Kindergarten—first grade can leave with their leaders for children’s church following the prayer.*

*The Pennies for Hunger offering will be collected by the children this morning.*

No. 606

+DOXOLOGY

**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

**Holy God, you have given us every good thing which we have to enjoy. You have stirred in us to share our gratitude to you through our gifts to your church and its mission. May our thanksgiving, represented here, bloom forth into the lives of others who are touched by the ministry of this family of faith. We give and we pray in the name of the one who gave everything for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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!  
Perfect 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.” \*

**WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS**

+SENDING HYMN

“We Are One in the Spirit”

No. 300

Text and Music: Peter Scholtes

Tune: THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

John Innes

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 45:3-15; p.40

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 6:27-38; p. 60

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

SERMON

Kathy Beach

**WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS**

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

No. 729

Text and Music: African American Spiritual

Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of 1967

**To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God’s reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God’s message of reconciliation and share God’s labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call. The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need...**

**The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord .**

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Leading worship:** Kathy Beach, Pastor; Cassidy Nooner, Molly Kirkland, Liturgists; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Anne and Alex Bernhardt, Lynne and Gigi Waugh

**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.

**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.

There is **Children's Church for students in Kindergarten and 1st grade**, after our Time with Children in the service. Children's Church is now located downstairs in the Nursery area. You can pick them up at the conclusion of the service. Our students in 2nd grade and older will remain in the sanctuary. There are updated worship bags at the entrance of the sanctuary for any child to use during worship.

**Today, in addition to the morning offering, we will receive the Pennies for Hunger offering.** This monthly offering supports the hunger ministries of Salem Presbytery, including Hospitality House in Boone, and our own Blowing Rock CARES.

**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, elders or staff.

**Would you like to become a member** or an affiliate member of Rumble? Rumble will host a Welcome Class on Sunday morning March 10 at 9:30 in Kathy’s study. Anyone interested in learning more about Rumble or joining Rumble as a member or affiliate member is encouraged to attend this class. Those who wish to join will then be received by the Session at 10:30. Please let Hazel, in the church office, know if you plan to attend, office@rumplechurch.org.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER