RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

Second Annual Rise Against Hunger meal packing event is Sunday, April 7. Rumple will join our brothers and sisters at St. Mary Episcopal, St. Mark Lutheran, and Presbyterian-Episcopal Campus Ministry to pack at least 15,000 meals for hungry school children around the world. This year's event is at the Blowing Rock School gym from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Please sign up to volunteer by going online- see this week's enews or go to the Rumple website for the link. Or, you can sign up in the office reception area immediately following worship this morning. Kalie will be there with a lap top to help you sign up! There will be plenty of jobs for folks of all ages and abilities this year as we will be packing at least 50% more meals than last year.

During Lent, Kathy is preaching on Simon Peter, the "flawed but faithful disciple." If you are not part of the bible study or Sunday School class but would like to read the book, we have 2 more copies available to sale. You can purchase one for \$15 in the church office. Our "Walking to the Cross" walking group is still meeting every Monday and Wednesday at 4:30pm during Lent. There is one more devotional book available in the church office area if you would like a copy.

Tonight is "Bring a Friend" at youth! Bring a friend and meet Cassidy in the Youth Cottage at 5:00pm. We'll have dinner, a time of fellowship, and a Bible Scavenger Hunt around the church!

Blowing Rock CARES March and April needed items: toilet paper, cooking oil, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing, jello gelatin mix, jello pudding mix; always welcome: canned fruit (especially pineapple) in light syrup, canned vegetables (prefer no added salt), canned beans, canned soup (prefer no added salt). You may bring items anytime during the months of March and April and leave them in the shopping cart in the office reception area.

Holy Week and Easter at Rumple

Palm Sunday April 14
9:30 Community Worship in
Memorial Park
11:00 Worship

Maundy Thursday April 18 7:00 Worship

Good Friday April 19 12:00 Worship with First Presbyterian Boone, at Boone First Presbyterian Easter Sunday April 21
7:00 Sunrise Worship in
Memorial Park
7:45 Breakfast in Fellowship
Hall
9:00 Worship
10:15 Easter Egg Hunt and
Butterfly release
11:00 Worship

Rumple Staff	
Kathy Beach	Pastor
Holly Bannan	Director of Discipleship
Dave McCollum	Director of Music
Eric Luke	Accompanist
Hazel Smithey	Secretary
Cassidy Nooner	
Kalie Gorham	Communications Intern
Julie Anderson	Nursery Supervisor
Heather Sigmon	

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:

Pat Magruder, at Foley Center; Brenda Lentz, recovering from pneumonia; David Bartlett, radiation treatments; Mark and Heather Johnson, in the death of Mark's father, Buck; Ruth George, broken arm; Sue Meacham, recovering from shoulder surgery; Miriam and Gus Newton, Byron and Charleen Logan, Don Saunders, Jim Burgess, Roger Broeker, Barbara Scott, Bill Magruder, Recie Craig, Erin Tobin and Drew Taylor, serving in the military; Mark Johnson's mother, Bettye; Russ Stubbs, Gus and Miriam Newton's son-in-law, David; Carol Capristo's mother, Ruby Vincent; Elayne Bishop, friend of Stephanie Hankins; 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 March 24

11:00 Worship 12:15 Worship Committee (L) 4:00 Puerto Rico Mission Team (L) 5:00 Youth—Bring a Friend (YC)

Monday March 25

4:30 Walking to the Cross Group 5:30 Session (RH)

Tuesday March 26

7:00 Sr. High School Breakfast 9:30 Bible Study (L)

Wednesday March 27

11:00 Staff Meeting (L) 2:30 KICKS/Fusion 4:30 Walking to the Cross Group 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Sunday March 31

9:15 Centering Prayer Class (ACU) 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:15—5:00 Vision Team 5:00 Youth (YC)

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

We have many modes of communication here at Rumple. 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 March 24, 2019 Third Sunday in Lent



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Minute for Mission

Rise Against Hunger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCMENTS

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth as we make this Lenten journey.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Contemplation of the Savior's Sacrifice"

James Southbridge

+CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 63 and 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock or our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

We will bless the name of the Lord as long as we live; we will lift up our voices and call on your name.

+HYMN OF PRAISE

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

No. 81
Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN

Text: John Newton Music: Franz Joseph Haydn

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+LENTEN PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of truth, it is difficult for us to be truthful before you. We want to hide our anxieties and fears, our resentments and self-centeredness but you see through us. You know the truth. God of mercy, forgive us, we pray, even for the sin we cannot see or find too painful to confess. Set us, once again, on the right path so that we may follow Jesus to the cross and the empty tomb. May we live now for you, seeking not our own glory, but your kingdom.

+SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively)

Evan Adair, cantor

Lord Have Mercy.... Lord Have Mercy

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and set free to seek God's kingdom together. Thanks be to God.

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

No. 602

Choir: Holy Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

Congregation: Holy Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

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.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy God, may you awaken our ears to your voice. Teach us to listen and to trust when you call us. Speak to us through your love in Jesus Christ that we may know your mercy, feel your grace, and trust where your lead us. May we hear your Word through Scripture, sermon, and son this morning. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Sweet Are the Prayers of a Friend"

Pepper Choplin

Sweet are the prayers of a friend. How sweet are the prayers that are offered up by a friend.

By a friend calling up to heaven, calling "Lord, come down and bless again."

Friends pray for healing, they pray revealing the heavy burdens of our souls.

They pray for courage, unfailing courage, asking God to make us whole.

Friends pray us through troubles, through all our struggles when life seems to fall apart.

They pray us through grieving, always believing, our God can heal the broken heart.

Sweet are the prayers of a friend. How sweet are the prayers that are offered up by a friend.

By a friend calling up to heaven, calling "Lord, come down and bless again."

Sweet are the prayers of a friend, for a friend. *

PSALM OF THE DAY

"Our Help Is in the Name of God the Lord"

Psalm 124

Words: Martin Tel Music: Genevan Psalter

Evan Adair, Sarah Bartholomew, Molly Gillespie, Amanda Hemric, Kenton McCollum

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 16: 13-23; p. 16

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Son of the Living God"

Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

No. 707 Tune: HALL

Text: William H. Foulkes Music: Calvin Weiss Laufer

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 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

+DOXOLOGY No. 708

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN "In Christ There Is No East or West"

No. 318 Tune: ST. PETER

Robert Lowry

Text: John Oxenham Music: Alexander Robert Reinagle

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Beautiful Savior"

Anne Marie David

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; Shirley Harris, Liturgist; Breanna Meadows, Reader; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: Jackie, Molly and Will Kirkland, Cassidy Nooner

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor and appreciation of Rumple's staff by Kathy Earley.

Choral Dedication: Our anthem today is in honor of the email prayer chain at Rumple that has been a support and comfort for so many people in times of need. We, as a congregation are stronger when we lift our hearts and minds to God in prayer. Thanks to all those who have been and are still a part of this crucial ministry!

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 clipboards at the entrance of the sanctuary for any child to use during worship.

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, elders or staff.

The season of Lent has provided Christians, since the 4th century, a 40 day period to prepare for Easter through reflection, repentance, prayer, and self-restraint. One of the goals of Lent is to reveal habits or mindsets that may be preventing us from experiencing true freedom and wholeness. Lenten "fasts" are not practiced to deny the goodness of blessings but to remind us that they are indeed gifts. The intention of "giving up" something is to nurture a sense of gratitude in us and to encourage us to share the many gifts we have with others in need. Lent invites us to look inward so that we can also look beyond ourselves to our neighbor.

In addition to the canvas that has graced our Lenten worship space, we have the added gift of a beautiful handmade quilt in the sanctuary for Lent and Easter. The quilt is a gift from Rumple member Ann Rhyne who prayerfully and lovingly quilted this for the church. As we journey with Jesus and Peter this Lent, you are invited to explore these visual additions to our worship space. The canvas changes each week as new Scripture verses are added from the morning's sermon.