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BREEZE ONLINE GIVING UPDATE Online giving will continue to be available at Rumple but, as of February 27 and the rollout of the new website, the platform for online giving will switch over to Breeze, our online church management system. This will streamline online giving into a platform where church members already have an account. If you have any questions about online giving, please speak to Jessica, in the church office.

WEBSITE ROLLOUT Rumple will rollout the new church website on Monday morning, February 27. The web address remains the same, www.rumplechurch.org. Please plan to visit the site to see how great it looks and how easy it is to navigate and find information. Thank you to the Communications Committee for all their hard work and for Thomas Steele who designed the new site.

KATHY'S PASTOR IN THE PEWS will meet Monday, February 27th at 1pm. No need to make an appointment, just stop by.

KATHY'S LANDLINE IN AN EMERGENCY If you need to reach Kathy in an emergency, outside of normal office hours, you may want to try the landline at the manse first, 828.414.9252. This is a new number for the manse- different from before the renova-tions. With cell service not reliable at the church and manse, the landline is always the safest bet in an emergency, at night or on the weekends.

DISCOVERERS' CLASS If you're weary from the loads you carry and the challenges you face, please join the Discoverers' discussion class led by Kim Rogers at 9:45 Sunday mornings in the library, as we begin our study of Max Lucado's book *Help Is Here*. You can purchase your own book online locally or in the class.

ANNUAL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE on the church website and on the desk in the church office reception area.

RUMPLE WALKING/HIKING GROUP Did you know the Watauga County Board of Commissioners recently declared 2023 as the Year of the Trail? To celebrate and make the most of our coun-ty's beautiful trails, Rumple's Creation Care Committee would like to form a walking/hiking group. If you'd be interested in participating in walks/hikes throughout the year, please contact Hope Squires. Depending on level of interest and abilities, we'll plan a range of easy walks and more moderate hikes.

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF If you would like to support Presbyterian Disasters Relief's response to the Turkey-Syria earth-quake call 800-872-3283 or to send a check, please designate Tur-key-Syria on the memo line and mail to Presbyterian Church (USA) PO Box 643700 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. To give online go to: <u>https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/turkey-syria-earthquake/</u>

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Please keep in your prayers Wes Thompson, at Watauga Medical Center; Curt Salthouse, surgery on 3/3; Wes Thompson, at Watauga Medical Center; Curt Salthouse, surgery on 3/3; Bonnie McLamb, surgery on 3/3; Betty Coffey, at Watauga Medical Center; Buz Helms, surgery on 2/27; Carol Rives; Holly D'Addurno, medical procedure in Raleigh; Jimmy Jones; Charles Coley; Jean Baskin; Bob Stout; Joe Kiker; Mary Holstein; Earl and Nancy Trexler; Ellen Sadler; Judy Petrie; Patti, friend of Paul and Madge Megliola; Jenny Apker's neighbor; Patti Curtis' mom, Sally; Mari-on Stadler, James Shore; Rebecca Hol-shouser; Margaret Gilleskie; Ken, friend of Joe and Angie Alexander; Miriam Newton; Barbara Scott; Sylvia Kiker; Bill Thorn; Cullie Tarleton; Gwyn Parsons; Bill Goodman; Bettye, friend of Ann and Mike Rhyne; Jim Ruff; Piney Clay; Frances, mother of Lynn Henderson; Elizabeth, undergoing treatments for a brain tumor; Lucy Aldridge; Debra Bren-ner's friend, Joyce, chemotherapy; Sam, son of Mabel Davis; Janet Goodman's friend, Celeste; Heather Johnson's fa-ther; Lucy, mother of Deatra Sellers; Sam Reep; Kent Tarbutton; Linda Jerger; Su-san, friend of Dottie Watson; Byron Lo-gan; Bill Magruder; Troy, Father of Diane Overcash; Ruth George; Jackson, grand-son of Joe and Angie Alexander, active duty in the navy; Erin Tobin, serving in US Army; Drew Taylor, active duty with the Coast Guard.

Sunday, February 26 9:15 Handbells 9:45 Discoverers' Class 11:00 Sunday Worship in Sanctuary and on Youtube 12:15 Worship Cmte 5:00 Youth 6:00 Visitation Training

Monday, February 27 1:00 Kathy's Pastor in the Pews 5:30 Session Meeting

Tuesday, February 28 10:00 Kate Bowler Study 10:30 Congregational Care Card Day

Wednesday, March 9-12 BR Cares Food pantry 11:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Music Rehearsal 6:00 Faith Formation Search Cmte 6:45 Kate Bowler Study

Sunday, March 5 9:15 Handbells 9:45 Discoverers' Class 11:00 Sunday Worship in Sanctuary and on Youtube 4:00 CE Youth Subcmte. 5:00 Youth 6:00 Visitation Training

To be added to the weekly email list, email Jessica, at jminerva@rumplechurch.org Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church 1218 Main Street/ PO Box 393 Blowing Rock NC 28605 (828)295-7675 www.rumplechurch.org

Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church

a missional church; called to worship, empowered to serve, inspiring disciples, creating community.

The Order of Service for the Worship of God February 26, 2023 1st Sunday of Lent

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

+CALL TO WORSHIP In the midst of life's storms, God is there. What have we to fear? In the darkness and terror, God is with us. Of whom shall we be afraid? Rise up, people of God, for you are loved and saved. Thanks be to God who cares deeply for us. Let us worship God.

+HYMN OF PRAISE

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" Joachim Neander, 1680

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Lord God of all Creation we come to you from our storm-tossed lives to seek your peace; we come to you with our questions and uncertainties, our worries and anxieties; we come to you from our joy and our happiness. We confess that we have not relied on your word or wisdom, we have not shown any concern or compassion when we should have; we have not loved our neighbor as we love ourselves. We have remained silent when we should have spoken and spoken when we should have been silent. We seize this moment to ask you for yet another chance of hearing you say to us 'Your sins are forgiven'. May the mark of that forgiveness be your grace in us as we respond with grace and gratitude to your love. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE

AL RESPONSE "Holy Lamb of God" Yusuf Khill, 1956 Holy Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS The prophet Ezekiel asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again? **O God, you know!** We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?

O God, you know! The gift is sure and unmistakable: God's breath poured out as new life for weary souls! Let us celebrate the gift of God's new life, In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

No. 772

Live into Hope (st. 4) Jane Parker Huber, 1976 Live into hope of captives freed from chains of fear or want or greed. God now proclaims our full release to faith and hope and joy and peace.

Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison. +Indicates those who are able may stand.







No. 35

No. 602

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

All children are invited to come forward. After the prayer, the children 5 years and younger may leave for the nursery. Pennies for Hunger offering will be collected by the children this morning.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(Refrain) One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to Him Who was and is and shall be evermore. There is one body, one spirit as you were called to one hope; one Lord baptism and faith, one God and Father of all, who is in you all. (Refrain) Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts, we are given to each other in the unity of faith that we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God; in the fullness of Christ. (Refrain) One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God!

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:35-41 **The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Signs and Wonders: Calm in the Storms

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

"Calm to the Winds" (Leader - 1st time, Congregation - multiple times) Mary Louise Bringle, 2002/Thomas Pavlechko, 2002 +HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 184

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Lenten Creed" We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the Living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to that which we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. A This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

As the offering plate is passed through the sanctuary, we encourage you to pass the plate and consider all the ways you are invit-ed to be generous toward the building up of God's kingdom. We know that many give their financial gifts online or through auto-matic monthly gifts. The offering plate reminds us to consider what many different gifts we have to offer.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERTORY

+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

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING H	YMN
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"How Firm a Foundation" (st. 1, 3 & 5) FOUNDATION

No. 463

+CHORAL BENEDICTION "May God Meet You in Your Journey" May God meet you in your journey, offering a blessing each new day; may God give you Christ's compassion, sharing hope and joy and love to give away. A-men.

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP NOTES

LEADING WORSHIP: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Johnathan Rhyne, Ken Broman-Fulks, Liturgists; Dave McCollum, Minister of Music; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Martha Jayne and Johnathan Rhyne, Jim and Karen Clabough, Ushers; Ferris Cleveland, Acolyte.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP was written by Nancy C. Townley, on the Worship Connection page of the Ministry Matters website. The prayer of confession is an adaptation of one written by the Very Rev. John Christie, and posted on http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/ The assurance of forgiveness is from Come Out! On the Breath of God, Service Prayers for the fifth Sunday of Lent, written by the Rev. Elizabeth Dilley. The affirmation of faith is an adaptation of one from Traveling to Easter with Jesus as our Guide, posted on http://www.patmosabbey.org/

PENNIES FOR HUNGER offering is received today in addition to our morning offering. This monthly offering supports the hunger ministries of Salem Presbytery, including our own Blowing Rock Cares and the Hospitality House in Boone. Total received for this year as of January 31, is \$332.00. Thank you for Pg. 36 your generosity.

LENTEN CROSS Everyone has an opportunity to hang a written concern, worry, trauma, injustice, or struggle on the Lenten cross that is in the sanctuary for the whole Lenten season. Strips of paper are on the church reception area desk. Please take one and hang it on the cross.

THIS MORNING'S BULLETIN ART, a copy of which will be added to the Lent cross, was created for this morning by Becca Vickrey. Each Sunday during Lent the bulletin will contain some original art of Becca's that depicts the morning's scripture. The same image will be added to the Lent cross as a symbol of hope and new life in the midst of the brokenness and despair of our lives and our world. from Patmos Abbey

> **WELCOME TO ALL** who join in worship at 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 by email, please share that with Jessica in the church office. If you have questions, please speak to Kathy Beach or one of the ushers.

RESTROOMS AND A WATER FOUNTAIN can be found near the office reception area in the Education building. Once worship has begun, you can enter that office area by the door to the left of the chancel steps at the front of the sanctuary. All outside doors are locked at the beginning of each worship service.

THE NURSERY is open from 10:30-noon (or end of worship service). Our nursery staff, are excited to welcome your children ages Birth-5 to the nursery during worship. If your child leaves for the nursery after the Time with Children, you can pick him/her up at the conclusion of the service. Ushers can provide you directions to the nursery.

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DAILY LENT DEVOTIONS AVAILABLE IN PRINT OR BY EMAIL. These will be available daily, online beginning Feb. 22 or you can pick up a printed copy in the office. Editor Teri McDowell's series Examen: Inward Work for Outward Living explores the ancient spiritual practice of examen focusing on honest assessment and reflection. You will be invited to explore the connection between internal contemplation and outward action.

LENT CALENDARS, provided by the Creation Care Committee are available on the church office reception area desk and also in the sanctuary. They were also included in this Friday's Slate and Stone newsletter, if you prefer an online version or want to save the paper.

THIS LENT, THE RUMPLE MISSIONS COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO HELP FURNISH A HOUSE for a refugee family in the triad area. There are three ways to help: 1. Purchase items from this Amazon registry <u>Amazon.com</u>. Items will be shipped directly to World Relief Triad. 2. Make a donation. Checks may be made out to the church with "refugee" on the memo line, online and cash donation should be specified for "refugee". 3. Donate new or gently used furniture. We will have a collection point on April 14th or schedule a pick-up at your home on April 14th. Contact Misty Mayfield allredml@appstate.edu for more information. Furniture needed: Dressers, Kitchen/Dining tables w/chairs, Love seats, Arm chairs, Couches (no sleepers; 7 ft. maximum length), Coffee tables, Nightstands/end tables, Lamps. We cannot ac-cept any items not listed here. All donations will be used in homes for refugees being resettled through World Relief Triad Resettlement which serves High Point, Winston Salem, and Greensboro.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE CARD DAY Mark your calendars for Rumple's next Card Day: February 28, 10 - 1 in the Fellowship Hall. A light lunch will be served. If you plan to participate, please RSVP by February 26th to Judy Lilly at judy.a.lilly@gmail.com

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