



The Window

Black Mountain Presbyterian Church

April 11th, 2010 – April 24th, 2010

Hello friends!

I hope you had a stellar Easter Sunday morning. I certainly did. The energy and Easter joy in this place was really amazing. It has taken me 48 hours to calm down! And I promise that those of us on staff are already brainstorming about ways we can be better prepared for that kind of a crowd next time around. We are already dreaming about ways we can improve our hospitality to all the folks who felt drawn to come and worship. If you have any suggestions, please let me know. But don't be surprised if I ask you to help me implement your idea. 😊

If you were able to be in church on Easter Sunday, then you heard me briefly reflect in the sermon on the reality that we are hearing about more and more cases of domestic and family violence in our community. It is becoming commonplace to see a story about domestic violence in the paper almost every day. And many therapists agree that whenever financial stress and/or job loss increase in the general society, we see an increase in domestic violence.

It is my strong opinion, as well as others here at BMPC, that this is an issue about which the Church cannot stay silent. Too often in our collective history, the church has

either responded inappropriately to the reality of domestic violence, or become another force for silence. We will not allow that to happen here at your church. Several years ago, under the leadership of Betsy Warren and former Associate Pastor Kevin Frederick, your Session approved a statement and policy on domestic violence. It is very well done. One of the policy's recommendations is that folks on staff and in the congregation receive training as to how we should (and should not) respond to reports of domestic violence.

We are about to start that training for current staff members. Beginning in April, your program staff will receive six hours of training around issues of domestic violence. We hope that in time, this kind of training will be made available for other folks in positions of leadership within our congregation, as well as for congregation members-at-large. The more that folks know, the better able we are to be the healing presence of Jesus Christ in situations of pain and heartbreak. If you or someone you love is experiencing violence in the home, we care. And we are learning how to get you help, when you are ready. God wants abundant and whole life for all God's children. This I believe.

Shannon



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WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 11

2nd Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 a.m. *FirstLight* Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Swim Party
Middlers & High Schoolers

Monday, April 12

- 10:30 a.m. Handbells
- 10:30 a.m. 85+ Brunch
- 6:00 p.m. Brownies
- 6:45 p.m. Ministry Night

Tuesday, April 13

- 10:00 a.m. *Tune Weavers*
- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. *Prophets of Praise*
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons

Wednesday, April 14

- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 15

- 8:30 a.m. Endowment Mtg.
- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Ch. Ed. Comm.
- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Youth Comm.

Friday, April 16

- 2:00 p.m. Guatemala Comm.
- 7:00 p.m. Barn Dance
- 7:00 p.m. Women's AA Group

Sunday, April 18

3rd Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 a.m. *FirstLight* Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 12:00 noon Potato Lunch

Monday, April 19

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Group
- 10:30 a.m. Handbells
- 5:00 p.m. Montreat Mission Comm.

Tuesday, April 20

- 10:00-noon Domestic Violence 101
for staff
- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. *Prophets of Praise*

Wednesday, April 21

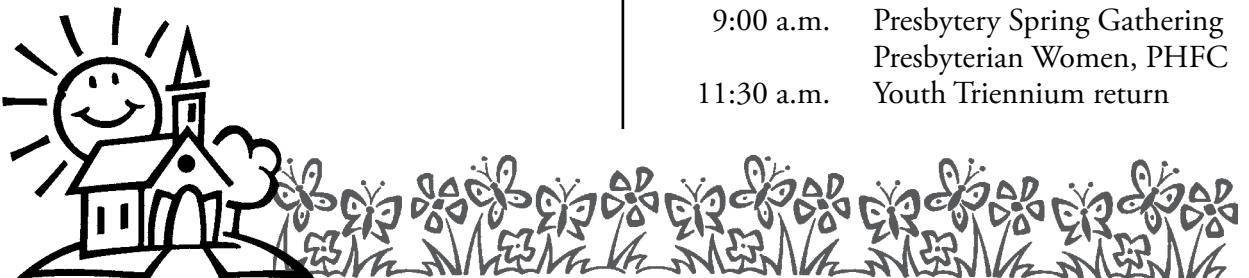
- 10:00 a.m. *Tune Weavers*
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. Music Rehearsal
(3rd-5th grade)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, April 23

- Bell Festival Hendersonville
- 5:00 p.m. meet for Triennium Retreat
- 7:00 p.m. Women's AA Group

Saturday, April 24

- Bell Festival Hendersonville
- 9:00 a.m. Presbytery Spring Gathering
Presbyterian Women, PHFC
- 11:30 a.m. Youth Triennium return



Thank You!

Please accept our sincere gratitude for the offering given to The Committee on Preparation for Ministry at your installation. We will use it to support others following God's call to the gospel ministry.

Grace and peace,
Richard Boyce



Thank you so much for all that you've done for the Clements family. Mary Belle Clements loved her church, and her friends were dear to her heart.

Thank you for all your prayers in this time of our loss.

The Clements Family



Many, many thanks to all who sent food (so good) cards, and offers of help. Especially I'm grateful for your prayers. The healing on my wrist is coming along. There were also issues with my arm and shoulder and those are slowing up the complete healing. I am most grateful to all of you dear friends.

Love in Christ,
Alice Starkey

ADULT LEARNING

Faith Builders

- 4/11 Celebrate the Journey
with Ken Scott, Sr.
4/18 Faithful, informed use of
Electronic Media
Randy and Becky Peterson

Becomers

- 4/11 Love Within The Community
1John 2:9-11, 15-17
Teacher: Florence Shelor
4/18 Connecting In Community
Matthew 22: 34-40
Teacher: Florence Shelor

R&R (Reformed & Reforming)

- 4/11 Christian Doctrine
Coordinator: Dan Stitt

Young Adults

- 4/11 led by Mike & Ellen Begley

Biblical Perspectives

- 4/11 Book Review: *An Altar In The World*
Barbara Brown Taylor
Presenter: Jeannie Franklin
4/18 Our Mission: Camp Grier
Presenter: David Cohn
Host: Glenn Bannerman

Zerubbabel's Coming! Musical Rehearsals continue after *Logos* ends

In order to finish our preparations for "The Troubbable of Zerubbabel" 3rd-6th graders will hold rehearsals in April & May. Our performance will be May 19 for the entire Church Family!

Rehearsal Schedule

- April 21 – 4:30-5:30 p.m.
April 28 – 1:15-2:30 p.m.
May 5 – 3:15-4:30 p.m.
May 12 – 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Performance Day

- May 19** – 3:15 p.m. Dress Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Performance!

Rehearsals will begin with a snack and "de-compress" time.

HYMNS FOR US ALL

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

On Easter we sang this beloved hymn.

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today” first appeared in German and Bohemian manuscripts of the 14th century, translated in *Lyra Davidica*.

Charles Wesley’s “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” uses the same meter but with different words. It was glorious to bring the “Alleluias” out of the big purple box.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The Coordinating Team will meet on April 27 at 3:45 p.m. and Bible moderators for May will meet with Florence Shelor the same day at 2:30.

Presbytery Spring Gathering will be held at Black Mountain Home For Children on Saturday, April 24, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding with lunch. Our PW are serving as hosts for this gathering.

The featured speaker is Louise Lawson Johnson, author of *Suggestions for Leaders* for the 2010-2011 Bible study on the book of Revelations. Ms. Johnson is an ordained minister who has served three congregations. She taught a weekly community-wide Bible study in the Memphis area for twenty-five years and for many years has been on the Board of Directors at Princeton Theological Seminary where she lives.

YOUTH! NEWS

Sunday, April 11


6:00-8:00 p.m.

Swim Party for middle and high schoolers at Cheshire Fitness Pool. Bring a snack to share.

Sunday, April 18 ***Baked Potato*** ***Lunch***



Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, April 18th for a *Serious Salad Bar*, *Big Baked Potato* with a variety of “fixins,” and a delicious assortment of desserts! The Youth Potato Lunch is a fund raiser to help our young people attend 2010 Montreat, Massanetta Middle School Conference, and Triennium at Purdue University. If you are able to scrub potatoes on Saturday April 17, call Ginny Soll.



Since You Asked...

The soup which was served after the Wednesday Lenten Service at our church was Andalusian Soup. The recipe can be found in our new Presbyterian Cookbook. — *Margie Tyas*



85+ Spring Brunch

If you are 85 or more and not on our invitation list, we want you to know we would love to have you join us. We are having a Brunch at the McMillans on April 12th at 10:30. There will be transportation from Highland Farms and the Church. Please call Carey Jo Elam at 628-1068 to make your reservation.

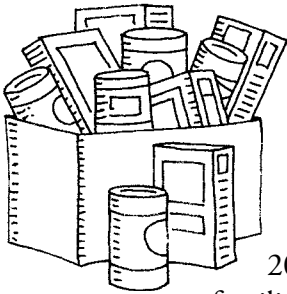


Happy Birthday!

April

- 12 Ginna Hanks
David Starkey
Abigale Corbett
- 13 Dwight Stobbs
Greg Stiles
- 14 Cathy Skeen
Margaret Wantz
- 15 Laura Williams
- 16 Renee Raines
Corey McClintock
Allie Brandon
- 17 Nick Patton
Yancey Wilmoth
Toby Nix
- 19 Joy Minnick
- 20 Ann Bell
Gale Hussey
Carla Sperry
- 21 Jim Crook
Vance Stiles
- 22 Mary McElrath
Keegan Peterson
- 23 Glenn Bannerman
Thomas McElwee
Taylor Hunnicutt
- 24 Carolyn Ward

OUR HELP IS NEEDED



All of us are in awe of what the Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry accomplishes in their ministry to the entire Valley. However, did you know that SVCM gives over 3000 cans each month to those who need our help?

Did you know that SVCM provides over 200 boxes each month, filled with food, to families of three or more people?

Often SVCM runs short of one item or more of food. To help with this need each month here are BMPC, we will be asking you to help to make up the shortage. Right now SVCM is running short of canned meat and tomato products. If you go to the grocery store this week, pick up one of each and bring it to the church. We will deliver it to SVCM and there our canned meat and tomatoes will be added to the bag. Then one family will have enough food this week. If each of us helps by bringing in a can of meat and a can of tomatoes, we would be feeding many families.

This month's' need at SVCM is:
canned meat
tomato products



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article deadline for the
April 25th – May 8th issue
is April 20th at 12:00 Noon.





A Spaghetti Supper You Can't Miss

You are enthusiastically invited to enjoy Hand In Hand's delicious benefit Spaghetti Supper and Bake Sale which will be raising funds to help Valley school children from low income families. The date is **Friday, April 16th from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Tabernacle United Methodist Church**, on Tabernacle Road in Black Mountain. Suggested donations are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Hand In Hand, Inc. is one of our Church Mission Committee's budgeted tax-deductible outreach agencies. For more information, call Hand In Hand Treasurer, John Moore at 669-5135.

To the BMPC family:

Kayla Newsom is a Montreat college student who worships here with us. She is looking for a place to stay this summer. As she said to me, "I'd be more than willing to help with housework/yard work, etc. and pay rent (assuming the job hunt goes well!)." If you have a space that might work for her, please contact her either by phone: 336.692.9885 or by email: kayla.newsom@gmail.com.

Thank you!
Shannon JK

PHFC Event

April 17 – Work, Worship & Play

Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for some spring cleaning followed by lunch, a devotion and time to play.

BMPC Barn Dance

Friday, April 16, 2010

7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Come join us in the Fellowship Hall, for an evening of Montreat style Barn Dancing.

Glenn Bannerman will call the dances — simple Big Circle figures, plus some American Novelty dances.

(We may have live music, keep your fingers crossed!)

All ages are welcome and if you are not able to dance, come watch the fun!

No experience is necessary!

For more information call Glenn or Evelyn at 669-7323.





Prayers

The Monday morning Prayer Groups meets every week in our church. Their ministry involves prayer for us all, as well as for those with special concerns. This is one of those special groups who have become good friends by the good works that they do. As a church, prayer is one of the most important things that we can do. If you are interested, please join the group on Mondays at 10 AM in the church parlor. Your presence will make a difference in the life of our church and your own as well.

We want to know...

If any of your contact information has changed, please take a moment to call **669-2725** or e-mail the church at **church@bmpcnc.org**. If you call off hours with this information, just enter 10 as soon as the voicemail recording begins, and leave the message. We will see that our records are promptly updated.

Thank you.

Easter at BMPC was a blessed happy day.

One special highlight was the magnificent cross made by our own Gene Schimpf, aided by Mike Barker. Thank you both for this gift to the church and us all. It was a joy to add flowers to the cross and to especially watch the children add their own special flowers.



On April 9

Barbara Cain, the editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society, visited Charlotte Sprawls, Hilda Hobson and Florence Shelor here at BMPC. Barbara and her committee of 25 members were here to visit our historical church and to present BMPC with the Award for Merit for "A Centennial History, Our First Hundred Years in Words and Pictures." Appropriately Charlotte Sprawls received this Award for BMPC on behalf of all those who worked on the History. Our church History will join other award winning histories and be sent to the St. Andrews Presbyterian College Library. With the Award of Merit, Charlotte received a year's membership in the N.C. Historical Society. Others who worked diligently on our Centennial History are:

Evelyn Bannerman
Glenn Bannerman
Virginia Buchanan
Julia Capps
Phoebe Duncan
Barbara Godfrey

Susan Hensley
Jane Collins
Jane Holt
John LaMotte
Mariella Provost
Walter Styles
Ruby Wheelon

Ellen Farrior
Jennifer Richey
Florence Shelor
Perry Sprawls
Cathy Vaughn
Anita Wright





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***Our Church's Mission:** From the New Testament, we believe that as a church we are called by God to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ (Kerygma), to teach the truth of our faith (Didache), to nurture Christian community (Koinonia), to be Christ's servant people (Diakonia).*

Books Needed!

Please bring your used books to help the **Middle School Youth Relay for Life Team**. They will be sponsoring a book sale on Saturday, May 1 to raise funds for Relay for Life (which is May 7-8). Books not sold will be donated to local nonprofit organizations. You may drop your books off in the box in the narthex. Call Cindy McDaniel at 776-4177 with any questions.

