

August 2015



COVENANT

Inclusive, Open-Minded and Home for Your Soul.

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Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 Music & Meditation, Sanctuary

9:30 Study/Group Time, various locations

9:30 Summer activities for children with Lou, Fellowship Hall

10:30 Fellowship time, in the Fellowship Hall

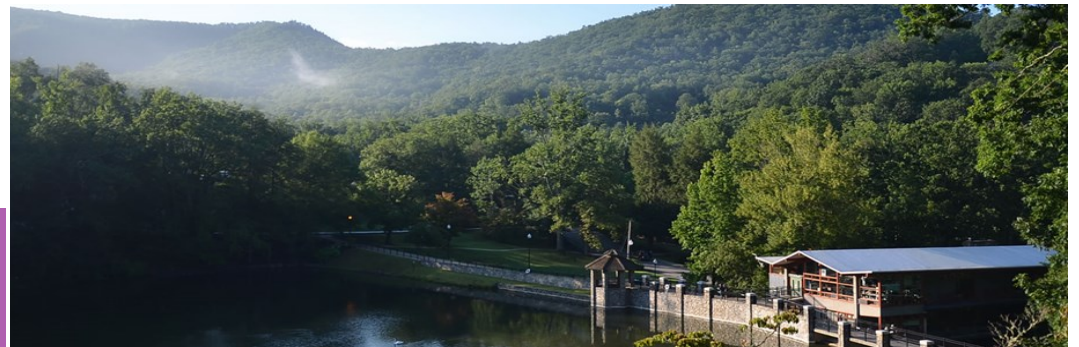
11:00 Progressive Worship, Sanctuary

Nursery 9:00-12:00, Rm101

Important Dates ...

August 1: Work Day
August 2: Communion Sunday ; Everyone Is Welcome!
August 10: Session Mtg., 6pm, Faselio Room
August 11: Sierra Club, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
August 17: Colleges, Fall Term Begins
August 23: Church Picnic, 2:30-7:30, Bur-Mil Park
August 24: Back to School, Guilford Co. Schools
August 24: CHNA Mtg., 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Presbyterian Church of the Covenant



Montreat Conference Center is one of three national conference centers affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), annually visited by over 35,000 people seeking physical and spiritual renewal in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina. From youth to elder, church professional to weekend artist, Montreat offers conferences of all kinds throughout the year.

Some of our Covenant members have availed themselves of the 'Road Scholar' Programs. And several members/attendees are currently signed up for upcoming conferences, specifically:

Dr. King's Unfinished Agenda: A Teach-In for Rededicating Ourselves to The Dream August 21 - 23, 2015

Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. King's address to the Christian Action Conference in Montreat is the occasion for a look toward the future. In a nation still struggling to build bridges between races and heal divisions generations old, how can the church of today answer the challenges King posed at Montreat in 1965? Speakers include: Leonard Pitts, Rep. John Lewis, and Rev. Yvette Flunder

Neighbor: Being Christian in a Multi-Faith World October 12-15, 2015

The Scriptures command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." As our world and our communities become more diverse, how do we have loving, respectful interactions with neighbors of other faiths while still being true to our call to share the Gospel? Join author, speaker, and public theologian Brian McLaren and other critical thinkers as we explore what it means to be Christian in a multi-faith world.

What a beautiful resource nestled in our own NC mountains!

Musicians at 9:00



August

Ushers at 11:00

August 2:
Logie Meachum

August 9:
Lyn Koonce

August 16:
Bill Smith

August 23:
Will Ridenour

August 30:
Walt Lott







August 2:
Celia Starling, Frank Starling
Communion:
Barry Barber, Lem Cox

August 9:
Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

August 16:
Barry Barber, Saralyn Griffith

August 23:
Frank Starling, Celia Starling

August 30:
Saralyn Griffith, Barry Barber

Church Office Hours



Every Week ...

Chris East

Mon. 10-3
Wed. 10-6
Fri. 1-5
Sun. 1-5

Kate Baird

Mon. - Thur. 8-1
Friday 8 - 4

Lou East

Tues. 12-5
Wed. 1-6
Thur. 12-5
Sun. 1-5

Monday: Yoga, 6:00 pm, Parlor

Tuesday: Pilates, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall **

Wednesday: WNFS, 6pm, Fellowship Hall;
Choir rehearsal, 7pm, Sanctuary

Thursday: Yoga, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall**

Friday: Coffee Group, 8:45am, Panera,
Jefferson Village 1604 Highwoods Blvd.

**\$10/session

Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper

You're invited to join our church family every Wednesday at 6:00 pm for our potluck dinner! Share something scrumptious and enjoy all the contributions. Afterward, there may be music or a program or a special event, or we just chat and catch up with each other. It's always delicious fun!

Farrell Scholarship Returns

In 1994, the William and Nell G. Farrell family created an endowed scholarship for members and friends of PCoC and their children. Its purpose is to support those who, because of life circumstances, find themselves in need of a college, technical or theological education to obtain meaningful employment, but lack the financial means to complete this education." Awards are made from the accrued interest on the endowment, which has been meager lately, so no grants have been made recently. Fortunately, that trend is reversing, so the Resource Committee is soliciting applications for awards to be made this fall. The application deadline is August 20th. Application forms are available at the church office or at: [Farrell Scholarship Application](#)

Request for Donations to Assist with Rest Room Renovations

The wonderful renovations of the first floor restrooms are complete, and the bills have come in. The much-needed updates exceeded what was budgeted by about \$3,500, and the Resource Committee would welcome any contributions to offset these expenses. If you care to make a donation, please make a note in the memo line of your check for "restroom renovation". Many thanks! Mail checks to the office or drop them in the Offering basket any Sunday.

A Note From Rosser Tilley

Dear friends at PCoC -

What an experience these last 7 1/2 years have been! And what a lovely celebration to end it with.... so much good food, lots of hugs, a few tears, way too many laughs (Charlie Finch, I know where you live!), but most importantly, wonderful memories of the best place I've ever worked.

PCoC has given me friends I will treasure the rest of my life, a view of a working model of a faith-based community that is open to all who seek a better way, and an understanding of synchronicity and the inter-connectedness of all things. From the very beginning of my time

here, I was welcomed, accepted, embraced as one of your own. There were times when I felt that not only could I get away with murder, but that people would even be available to help hide the bodies!

To work in an environment where one feels supported and appreciated is truly a blessing. And so, from the bottom of my heart, thank you. The generosity of your love gift was absolutely overwhelming. Your generosity of spirit has been even greater. I'll always have only the fondest memories of my time here, and I love you all. *Rosser*

***New Sunday Study Group and New Study Topics for Sojourners***

The new Contemporary Issues Discussion Group, coordinated by Jim McKenzie, meets each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. Discussions focus on a contemporary issue, event, or subject of interest and concern to participants and include reviews of news stories, articles, books, movies, poetry, writings, DVDs, and other sources related to interests of participants. Leadership and facilitating will be shared; everyone welcome!

On August 2nd, the Sojourners, led by Morgan Josey Glover, are previewing Bill Plotkin's book, "Nature and the Human Soul" in preparation for a formal study that will begin in late September. Participants will read and discuss portions of the book's first chapter. Morgan will bring printed copies, or download it at: http://www.natureandthehumansoul.com/newbook/chapter1_naths.htm. (right click to open the link)

From August 16th to September 13, the Sojourners will enjoy a series by Zora Medor on Dream Guidance: Learn secrets of our wonder-workers of the night-our nightly dreams. Dreams are messages from our soul to our personality self. Techniques taught in this class include how to:

- * Remember your dreams
- * Understand your own dream language (it's easier than you think!)
- * Interpret their messages
- * Learn from them
- * Create with them

Share dreams, interpretations, and creative dream play with other nightly travelers.

Church Picnic! August 23rd! Bur-Mil Park! 2:30—7:30 pm!

Celebrate the End of Summer
at a Sunday picnic in the park!
August 23rd 2:30pm—7pm
Bur-Mil park, Shelter #3
5834 Bur-Mil Club Rd, Greensboro, 27410

Games!

trails to hike...



fish to catch...

fun for all!

Join us!

Swimming!



Bring a Chair!

Bring a picnic dish to share!

Hotdogs + Hamburgers on the Grill

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