

# Sonshine News and Updates

October 30, 2025



Be sure to set your clocks

BACK One hour, This

Saturday November 1st

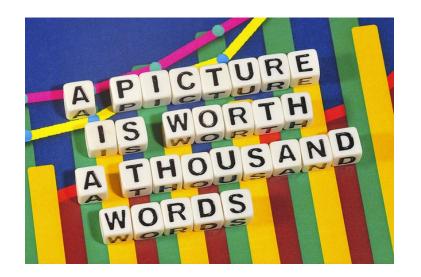
Daylight Savings Time ends
on Sunday November 2nd!!

#### Dear Beloved of MPC

Here is a link to an opportunity for your to grow in your faith and understanding of Reformed Theology. Perhaps, God is calling you to something more or different in your life. Click on the link and see.

https://mailchi.mp/omaha-opsf.org/opsfopportunities-13871906?e=ecf045b668

Blessings, Pastor Mark



#### Please give us "A Thousand Words!"

We really would like to have a full pictorial directory. For that to happen, we need your picture. You can submit your own digital picture by sending it to <a href="Directory@millikenpres.org">Directory@millikenpres.org</a> or you can have your picture taken after worship beginning this Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be printing the directories and will have them available on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Make sure you are in it!



#### Milliken Presbyterian Church Monthly Session Report October 2025



Our mission is to reach out and actively engage others by sharing our Christian faith, worshiping, studying the Bible, praying, and serving God in our families, our communities, and our world.

At the October 28, 2025 Session meeting, your Session took the following actions:

- Had a wonderful devotion led by Becky Selby. She shared with us a Brene Brown and Father Richard Rohr podcast talk in which we heard that part of the church's work is to be a place of healing, reconciliation, forgiveness, and peacemaking. We had a good discussion.
- Received an update on the modular. The site plan has been reviewed by the town of Milliken. There were a few items that needed to be worked on, but all in all it looked good. We are awaiting our Civil Engineer, Colin Geminden, making the necessary updates, then we are hopeful the modular site plan will be approved, and we will be given permission to move it from Milliken Elementary School to our property.
- Approved a motion that gives ongoing permission for the Presbyterian Women to receive a free will offering, if they choose, at their Potato Bar they do in October and their Chicken Noodle dinner they do in March. Additionally, the motion included ongoing permission for the Deacons to receive a free will offering, if they choose, at the annual Thanksgiving meal.
- Becky Selby shared some information about what is happening with the Food Pantry and the anticipated increase in need, now that it looks like SNAP benefits will not be available beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>. We have a wonderful partnership with Weld County Food Bank, and they have offered increased assistance. We also are blessed to be in partnership with many local churches and are supported by community organizations like the schools and Mill Haus coffee. We invite you to pray for our community and those affected by food insecurity, as well as our Food Pantry's many volunteers. We give thanks to God for continued providence.



#### **Youth Group Fund-Raiser**

Our youth are participating in a fund-raiser to help raise money for their mission trip and summer activities. The youth are selling Christmas wreaths and center pieces

Orders are due by Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and may be made on the order form in the entry way. *Please pay when you place your order*. Since we have a joint Youth Group with our sister church, Johnstown United Methodist Church, and they are handling the money, please make checks out to Johnstown United Methodist Church with "youth fund-raiser" in the memo. Cash is also accepted.

The Youth Group (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, November 2nd from 1 to 3 pm at MPC for activities. A snack will be provided. Friends are invited and welcome to join us!

The Youth Group will meet Sunday, November 9th from 1 to 3 pm at JUMC for activities. A snack will be provided. Friends are invited and welcome to join us!



#### Operation Christmas Child !!

The Mission and Outreach Ministry Team has shoeboxes, shopping lists, and boy/girl labels in the Narthex. They are due back on or before November 23rd. The shoeboxes will be taken to Greeley for shipping right after church that day.

Have fun shopping!!!

#### **MPC Hearing Assistance:**

On Sunday, October 19th we started a 4 week trial of a new Hearing Assistance program from Listen Technologies. There will be limited devices to try but we would like as many people as possible to try out this new system and the different options. You may see people passing them around during the services.

For those with hearing aids there are two primary methods for using this WiFi based system:

- 1. Hearing Loop: This is a WiFi receiver with a loop that hangs around your neck and transmits the audio directly to a hearing aid or cochlear implant that uses T-Coil technology.
- 2. Smart Phone App: For those who are already able to send audio from your smart phone directly to your hearing aid. Use your phone to connect to the WiFi audio channel and transmit to your hearing aid.

WiFi Reciever: This is similar to the older FM receiver system but with much better sound quality. You simply plug in your own wired earbuds, headphones or bone conduction headphones. This WiFi receiver allows for <u>wired</u> devices.

Phone App for Wireless options: With the Listen Smart Phone app loaded on your phone (in PlayStore search for ListenWiFi) you connect to the MPC Audio WiFi channel and then use your own wireless earbuds or headphones.

What to expect: We know that depending on what type of connection you are using there will be milliseconds of delay possible. Similar to having two TV's in your house on the same channel (which are you hearing 1st or echo). We will be doing some fine tuning as we go for what works best in our sanctuary.

We need as many people as possible to try things out and see if it's something that works for you and please let someone from the Communications or EZW team know your thoughts or if you need help loading the app.

Communications Ministry Team, Larry Wakeman



## A NEW DAY AT

## HIGHLANDS

A friendly reminder that our New Day at Highlands event on November 1st is less than two weeks away!

If you plan to attend, please **register in advance here**. We hope to see you then!

# JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION AND LUNCH AT HIGHLANDS CAMP & RETREAT CENTER ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025 FROM 10 AM TO 2 PM

We're launching our identity as a non-profit and want to share our vision of Highlands as a place of welcome for all people. Be our guest for an easy guided hike, activities for children, a tour of the property, and a delicious meal in the company of friends old and new.

We can't wait to see you!

Kindly Register Here

# ROOSEVEIT MS EMATTRESS FUNDRAISER

Introducing Luxury Massage Chairs!

## 3 Unique Models Available Features Include:

- 3D Massage Technology
- Rocking Technology
- Zero Gravity
- Spinal Correction & Waist Twist
- Reflexology
- Lumbar Heat
- Bluetooth Technology
- Apple/Android Functionality
- Space-saving Technology
- Body Scanning
- Airbag Compression Therapy

When: Saturday, Nov 22nd

**Time: 10AM - 5PM** 

**Where: Roosevelt MS** 

As low as \$100 per month

## Free Luxurious Pillow w/ purchase of any massage chair!

You have been personally invited by:

Patricia Dalton - MS Band

Don't Need A Mattress...? Support our group with accessories!













- Pillows, sheets, and mattress protectors/pads by Malouf
- Dorm Packs, Bed in Bags, and Toppers Available too
- CordaRoy's Bean Bag Chair/Mattress
- Infinity personal massage accessories

When: Saturday, Nov 22nd

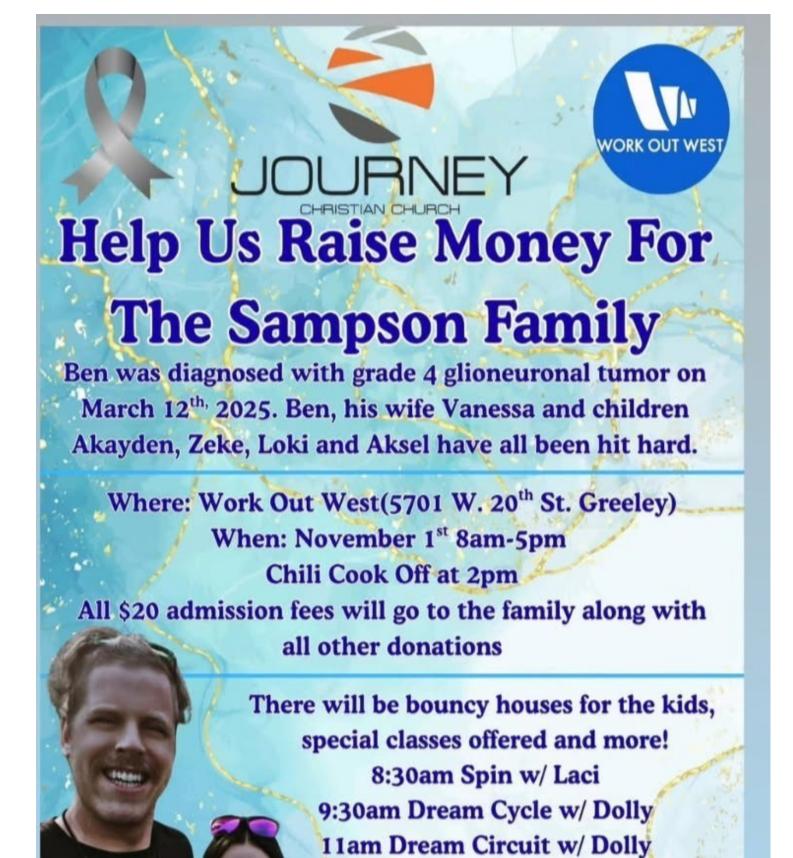
**Time:** 10AM - 5PM

**Where:** Roosevelt MS



- Thanks for coming into our event and supporting our group!
- Every purchase goes towards our goal for this fundraiser!
- Ask the fundraising staff about accessory bundles!

You have been personally invited by: Patricia Dalton - MS Band



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# You Are All Invited to our ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER November 16th after Worship

Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes gravy and drinks will be provided.

If your last name begins with A-M please bring a salad or vegetable.

If your last name begins with N-Z please bring a dessert.



There will be a Free Will offering.

The Deacons are looking for 3 additional people who would be willing to cook a turkey.

We will be moving chairs and setting up tables at 1:00 pm on Thursday, November 13th. Anyone who could help would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact Karen at 970-405-8602 if you can cook a turkey.

There is a signup sheet in the Narthex for help on Thursday, November 13th.

The Spiritual Growth Ministry Team is looking for volunteers for the Live Nativity on December 13th

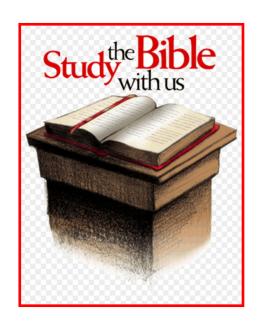
If you would like to volunteer, please contact

kellyn.wortman10@gmail.com 970-515-8042

kylie.schneider4@gmail.com 970-534-1035

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex as well.





Please join us at MPC for Bible Study the 1st and 3rd Thursday's from 10 - 11 am

> November 6th November 20th

> > as we

"Research the meaning of specific words used in Biblical text."

Co-Led by Sharon Morgan and Donna Herman



The Kid's Club (K-5th graders) is looking for people to help provide lunch or be a helper. The Kid's Club meets once a month, generally on the first Sunday of the month. For those that would **provide lunch**, we are looking for someone to provide a simple, kid-friendly meal to be served after worship for about 10-15 people. For those that would be a helper,

we are looking for someone to help gather the kids after worship, invite one of them to pray before the meal, help them get their food and then take it back to the round table room where they will eat. If you are willing to help, please sign up on the sign-up page in the entry way or let Pastor Mark know.

The Youth Group (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders) is looking for volunteers to **provide a snack** for the Youth Group. This snack would be for 10-15 people. The Youth Group meets at MPC on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month from **1 to 3 pm**. We would like to have the snack available no later than 2:15 pm. You



could also leave it in the kitchen after worship. If you are willing to help, please sign up on the sign-up page in the entry way or let Pastor Mark know.



MPC App

Scan this QR code to download the MPC Church App



MPC Give

Scan this QR code to download the MPC Giving App





| Ruby Brown   | 31 |
|--------------|----|
| Connie Dilka | 31 |

Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 9:00 am

Panera Bread 1550 Fall River Drive Loveland, CO 80538

Hosted by Becky Hook, Vicky Gilmer and Heather Farquhar

The 2nd Saturday of each month

Please RSVP to Becky Hook

By phone or text - 970-776-0734

Or email at - dbsshook@proton.me



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| Sophia Smith     | 1  |
| Matt Wortman     | 1  |
| Martha Newcomb   | 3  |
| Jim Betts        | 4  |
| Melva Hessler    | 6  |
| Dave Hook        | 6  |
| Bill Selby       | 8  |
| Becky Hook       | 11 |
| Craig Eidson     | 17 |
| Joe Selby        | 18 |
| Colton Fields    | 21 |
| Colson Parker    | 26 |
| Jacob Mayfield   | 21 |
| Aliyah Hernandez | 27 |
| Addy Hutton      | 28 |





#### **Sunday Worship Service**

Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for our live-streamed worship service from the sanctuary via <u>Facebook Live</u> or You Tube. You can see past services online as well. Be sure to invite your friends to "follow" us on Facebook and "subscribe" to us on YouTube.



| November 1  | 9:00 am         | Easy Worship                             |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| November 2  | 9:15 am         | <b>Education Hour</b>                    |
| November 2  | 10:30 am        | Worship Service                          |
| November 2  | 11:30 am        | Kids Club                                |
| November 2  | 1:00 pm         | Youth Group at MPC                       |
| November 3  | 11:30 - 2:00 pm | Food Pantry                              |
| November 3  | 6:30 pm         | P.E.O.                                   |
| November 4  | 5:30 pm         | Trustees                                 |
| November 5  | 3:00 - 5:30 pm  | Food Pantry                              |
| November 6  | 10:00 am        | Bible Study                              |
| November 6  | 6:30 pm         | Praise Team                              |
| November 7  | 5:00 pm         | Girl Scout Meeting                       |
| November 8  | 9:00 am         | Women's Breakfast and Fellowship         |
| November 9  | 9:15 am         | <b>Education Hour</b>                    |
| November 9  | 10:30 am        | Worship Service                          |
| November 9  | 1 - 3:00 pm     | Youth Group at JUMC                      |
| November 10 | 9:00 am         | Mission and<br>Outreach<br>Ministry Team |
| November 10 | 1:00 pm         | Communication<br>Ministry Team           |
| November 10 | 6:00 pm         | Worship Ministry<br>Team                 |
| November 11 | 6:00 pm         | Spiritual Growth Ministry Team           |
| November 12 | 5:30 pm         | Personnel Ministry<br>Team               |
| November 13 | 6:30 pm         | Praise Team                              |
| November 14 | 10:00 am        | Presbyterian<br>Women's Ministry         |
| November 15 | 9:15 am         | <b>Education Hour</b>                    |
| November 15 | 10:20 am        | Warshin Sarvice                          |

10:30 am

**Worship Service** 

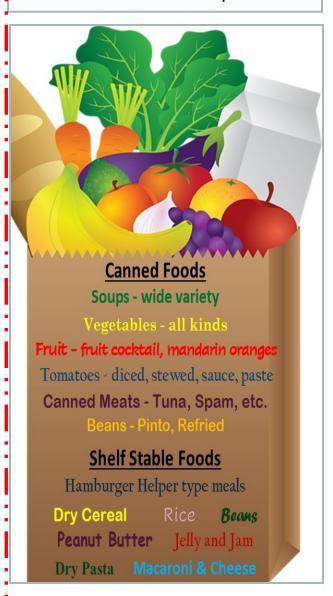
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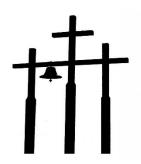
#### Your contributions are welcome!

Mail your monetary donations to the church office, mark your check "Food Pantry" on the memo line.

Food donations can be dropped off at the church front door Monday -Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



#### Milliken Presbyterian Church



#### **Our Ministry Teams**

**Pastor Mark Hutton** 

Treasurer – Kristin Eidson and Chris Hurley
Administrative Assistant – Pat Woods
Nursery Caregiver - Angel Blocksom
Music Director and Pianist – Becky Selby
Organist – Janice Williams



#### **BOARDS**

#### **Session**

Becky Selby - 2025
Jo Keller - 2025
Pete Keohane - 2025
Peggy Wakeman - 2026
Ron Uttecht - 2026 - *Clerk*Donna Herman - 2026

#### **Deacons**

Kellyn Wortman - 2025 Michelle Sanchez - 2025 Doris Fields - 2025 Karen Kammerzell - 2026 - *Chairperson* Phyllis Nelson - 2026 Jan Carlson - 2026

#### **Trustees**

Shari Schneider - 2025 LeeAnn Young - 2025 Mindy Wakeman - 2025 Cassy Stoaks - 2026 - Chairperson Amy Ehrlick - 2026 Becky Hook - 2026

#### **Nominating**

Jo Keller - Co Chairperson
Becky Selby - Co Chairperson
Doris Fields
Max Morgan
Jan Carlson
LeeAnn Young

#### Spiritual Growth

Kellyn Wortman - Co Chairperson
Kylie Smith - Co Chairperson
Wendy Fields
Vicky Gilmer
Shari Schneider
Gabrielle Farquhar
LeeAnn Young
Amanda Young Sullivan
Sabrina Hook
Pete Keohane - Liaison

#### Communication

Larry Wakeman - Chairperson Jennylei Wright Peggy Wakeman - Liaison Pat Woods - ex-officio

#### **Finance**

**MINISTRY TEAMS** 

Bill Selby - *Chairperson*Wendy Fields
Martha Leadbitter
Kristin Eidson - *ex-officio*Peggy Wakeman - *Liaison* 

#### **Personnel**

Donna Herman- Chairperson
Dave Crego - Liaison
Catherine Crego - Liaison
Kylie Smith - Liaison

#### **Mission and Outreach**

Katie Ehrlich - Chairperson
Jo Keller - Liaison
Doris Fields
Karen Kammerzell
LeeAnn Young
Dani Jennings

#### **Worship**

Becky Selby - Chairperson Jan Carlson Peggy Wakeman Donna Herman Heather Farquhar

#### Interested in joining a Ministry Team? Speak to the Chairperson or Pastor Mark

#### **Contact Us!**

201 S. Olive Ave. Milliken, Colorado 80543 (970) 587-2378

office@millikenpres.org

Office Hours - Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

www.millikenpres.org Look for us on Facebook! Subscribe to us on YouTube!





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### First United Presbyterian Church

201 S. Olive Ave. Milliken, CO 80543

Telephone - 970-587-2378

Website – <u>www.millikenpres.org</u> Office email – <u>office@millkenpres.org</u>

**Education Hour** at 9:15 a.m. (September - May)

Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Join us live on Facebook or YouTube

#### **Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

#### Sonshine Newsletter

is a publication of the First United Presbyterian Church of Milliken, Colorado.

#### Deadline

Information to be included in the next update should be in the church office no later than 12:00 p.m. Wednesday of each week

#### Submissions

Send your church related event, news, meeting highlights, announcements, prayer requests or more to the church office at:

office@millikenpres.org

Put "Sonshine News" in the subject line.

Paper submissions can be mailed to the church address or placed in the drop box by the front door of the church building.

All submissions are subject to edit and approval.

The Sonshine Newsletter is primarily available online through the website.

Paper versions available on request through the church office.