

Sonshine News and Updates

December 4, 2025

If you would like to bring a Poinsettia to decorate the sanctuary in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please bring it to the church Sunday Morning before Worship Service.

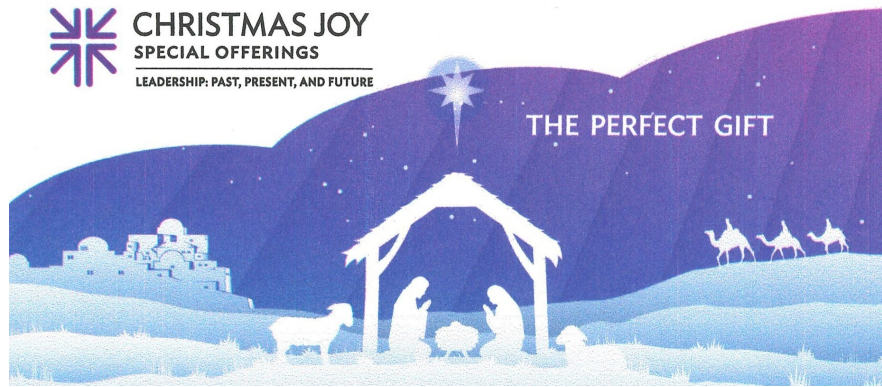


Milliken Presbyterian Women will be preparing Christmas cookie trays to be distributed to the congregation following the church service on December 21st. Anyone interested in preparing cookies to add to the trays can bring them to the church by 10:00 AM Friday, December 19th.



The Mission and Outreach Ministry Team is still needing donation of Gravy and Pies for the Christmas Boxes the Pantry team will distribute. Please have your donations to the church by December 20th.





Christmas Joy Offering

Christmas is a special time of year when we focus more fully on Jesus Christ and the joy of giving to others. A wonderful opportunity is the Christmas Joy Offering. This offering was started over 90 years ago and has evolved into all donations being split between two very worthy causes.

Half of the money raised goes to the Board of Pensions to assist those servants of the church living on inadequate pensions or needing nursing home care. The other half goes to Presbyterian racial ethnic schools and colleges. Recipients include the Menaul Schools in Albuquerque, NM(98% go on to college!), Presbyterian Pan American School in Kingsville, TX, and Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, AL. Take a moment to look online at these three schools and their wonderful Christian environment where students are thriving.

Please consider donating to these worthy Presbyterian programs any time during the month of December. If you choose to donate, be sure and write Christmas Joy on the memo line of your check.

Thank you,
Your Mission and Outreach Ministry Team



Come one come all!!!

This Friday, December 6th at 6:00 pm is the Milliken Festival of Light Parade. The parade lines up in the church parking lot. Your Mission and Outreach Ministry Team knows that is a great opportunity to reach out to our community by serving hot chocolate to the parade participants. We welcome all that would like to help with making and serving the hot chocolate! If you would like to help please be at the church at 4:30 pm.

Any questions, contact one of the Mission and Outreach Ministry Team members: Katie Ehrlich, Jo Keller, Doris Fields, Karen Kammerzell, Dani Jennings, LeeAnn Young, or Gabrielle Farquhar.



Blue Christmas Service

Wednesday, December 10th - 6:30 pm
Milliken Presbyterian Church
millikenpres.org

A service for those who are experiencing grief, loss, loneliness, sadness, depression or just feeling blue.
Come into a space to simply be and receive words of comfort and peace.



CHRISTMAS NATIVITY DISPLAY



DECEMBER 21st - CHURCH NARTHEX

Do you have a favorite Nativity – share it with our church family.

To Register or if you have questions call:

Kristen Eidson 970-302-9382 or Donna Herman 970-396-1643

Bring your nativity to the church to Pat - Wednesday, the 17th or Thursday the 18th between 9 AM and 12 PM. Or you may bring it Sunday morning **before 9:30 am.**

We would like to know the origin of your nativity.

PLEASE LABEL YOUR NATIVITY, SO WE KNOW WHO IT BELONGS TO.

The nativities that are brought to the church early will be stored in a locked room. We will have a monitor watching the display during worship on the 21st.



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

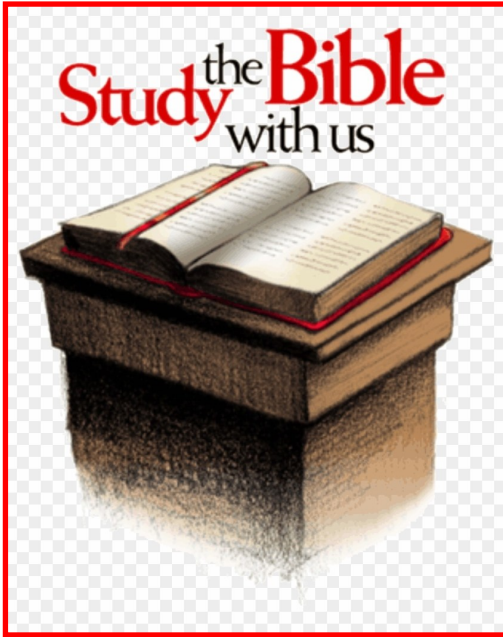
**If you would like to volunteer, please
contact**

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

January 15th
February 5th

as we

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

Co-Led by Sharon Morgan
and Donna Herman

The Youth Group (6th through 12th graders)
The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, December
7th 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 December 14th at
JUMC at 1:00 pm for their Christmas Party.
Friends are invited and welcome to join us!





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.

We need meals for the following dates:

January 4th February 1st March 1st



The Youth Group (6th-12th 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 1st and 3rd 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 .

We need snacks for the following dates:

January 4th January 11th January 18th February 1st



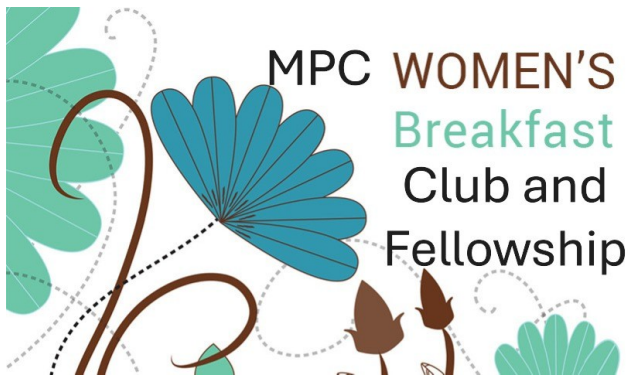
MPC App

**Scan this QR code to download
the MPC Church App**



MPC Give

**Scan this QR code to download
the MPC Giving App**



Saturday, December 13, 2025 at 9:00 am

Butter's Breakfast and Lunch

2018 35th Avenue

Greeley, CO 80634

**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



Pete Keohane	7
Odin Miller	13
Jennifer Bailey	18
Pastor Mark Hutton	18
Ken Williams	18
Cara James	20
Kristin Eidson	21
Kaliyah Hutton	24
Kellyn Wortman	25
Doris Fields	27
Emilia Grace Mendez	28
Gabriel Farquhar	29
Wesley Mayfield	29
Angel Blocksom	31
Kylie Schneider	31

**Coffee with Pastor Mark
Wednesdays at 10 am
Mill Haus Coffee
1109 Broad St. Milliken**



Bring a friend!

Sunday Worship Service

Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for our live-streamed worship service from the sanctuary via [Facebook Live](#) or YouTube. 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](#).





Church Calendar

December 6	9:00 am	Easy Worship
December 6-14	Pat Out of Office	Vacation
December 7	9:15 am	Education Hour
December 7	10:30 am	Worship Service
December 7	11:30 am	Kids Club
December 7	1:00 pm	Youth Group at MPC
December 9	6:00 pm	Spiritual Growth Ministry Team
December 10	6:30 pm	Blue Christmas
December 11	6:30 pm	Praise Team
December 13	9:00 am	Women's Breakfast and Fellowship at Butter's Breakfast and Lunch
December 13	5:30 pm	Live Nativity
December 14	9:15 am	Education Hour
December 14	10:30 am	Worship Service
December 14	11:30 am	Deacons Meeting
December 14	1:00 pm	Youth Group at JUMC
December 15	11:30 - 2:00 pm	Food Pantry
December 17	3:00 - 5:30 pm	Food Pantry
December 18	10:00 am	Bible Study
December 18	6:30 pm	Praise Team
December 19	10:00 am	Presbyterian Women preparing cookie trays
December 19	5:00 pm	Girl Scout Meeting
December 21	9:15 am	Education Hour
December 21	10:30 am	Worship Service
December 21	11:30 am	Cookie Tray Distribution
December 24	5:30 pm	Christmas Eve Service
December 25	Christmas Day	Office closed
December 28	10:00 am	Christmas Carol Brunch



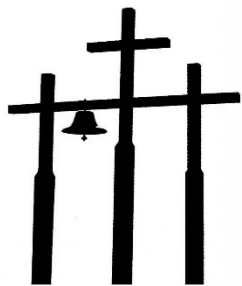
Your contributions are welcome!

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 – 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

MINISTRY TEAMS

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

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
Gabrielle Farquhar

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.

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Website – www.millikenpres.org
Office email – office@millikenpres.org

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

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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.