



Sonshine News and Updates

March 26, 2026

Milliken Presbyterian Church Monthly Session Report February 2026



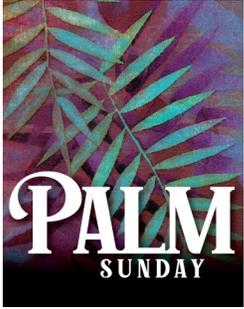
Our mission is to reach out and actively engage others by sharing our Christian faith, worshiping, studying the Bible, praying, and serving God in our families, our communities, and our world.

At the March 24, 2026 Session meeting, your Session took the following actions:

- Approved retroactively an unpaid Leave of Absence (LOA) for Chris Hurley beginning on March 13, 2026, and concluding on June 30, 2026.
- **Approved to hire and pay Kristin Eidson as temporary Treasurer at the rate of \$600 per month beginning April 1, 2026, and concluding on June 30, 2026. This rate of pay matches the current rate the treasurer's role has been budgeted for.**
- Approved to give backpay to Kristin Eidson in the amount of \$25 an hour for work done during the month of February totaling 45 hours. Additionally, to pay her the same hourly wage for hours worked during the month of March. These hours are yet to be determined.
- **Approved paying our Covenant Commitment (Per Capita) quarterly. This is a commitment that all PCUSA churches are asked to pay for each voting member. This money is divided between the Presbytery, the Synod, and the General Assembly. The commitment amount per voting member is \$56.00. If you would like to donate to help offset the cost of your portion of the Covenant Commitment, we would welcome your additional support.**
- Voted to approve Donna as one of our Presbytery Commissioners. Peggy Wakeman serves as our other commissioner. However, Donna would be more than happy to step aside if someone else would like to fill this position. *If you are a Ruling Elder (once a Ruling Elder, always a Ruling Elder) you can be a commissioner. Please let Pastor Mark know if you are interested. There are two more Presbytery meetings in 2026. May 16th at First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeport NE and October 3rd at Harmony Presbyterian Church in Fort Collins.*
- **Received the report that the 125th Anniversary Task Force that is being formed is nearly complete. This Task Force will plan how we will celebrate our 125 years of ministry to and with the Milliken Community.**
- Approved a congregational survey that will be sent out beginning April 9th to get your input to see if God is calling us to add to our building.



PLEASE JOIN US



PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

10:30 am Sunday March 29, 2026

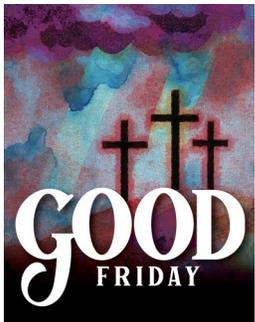


MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

6:30 pm Thursday, April 2, 2026

at Johnstown United Methodist Church

**LET'S MAKE A GOOD SHOWING, SO
PLEASE JOIN US AT JUMC!**



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

6:30 pm Friday, April 3, 2026



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

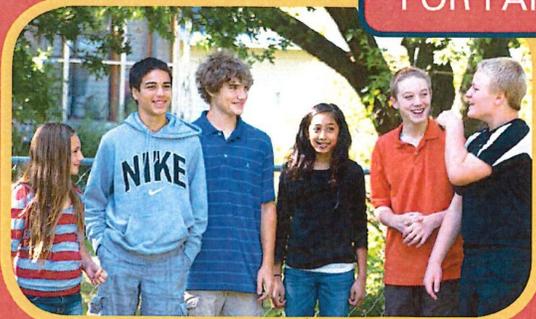
10:30 am Sunday April 5, 2026



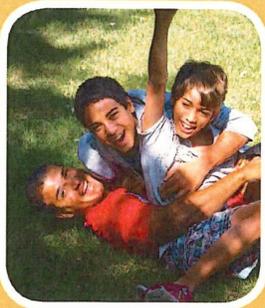
Sunday's Fellowship Snack is brought to you thanks to the Girl Scout troop 76161! This is the troop that meets here two Fridays a month. They graciously donated 11 boxes of Girl Scout cookies to us. Check out the thank you note on our bulletin board. Enjoy the cookies after worship while you fellowship with those who are in worship with you. Take time to talk with someone you do not know or do not know very well.

STRENGTHENING *Families* PROGRAM

FOR PARENTS AND YOUTH 10-14



*"I learned what a good friend is
and how to stay out of trouble."*



Build stronger families in seven sessions!



"We now enjoy family time together."

Strengthening Families Program: For Parents and Youth 10-14 can help your family learn to manage emotions, set goals, avoid peer pressure, make better decisions and create better relationships.

You will learn how to show love while setting limits, how to listen to your child and how to help family members show appreciation to each other.

All families have strengths. *This program will help your family become even stronger!*

Follow the QR code to view upcoming sessions and sign up!

Email Alyssa Galarza for additional information:
agalarza@weld.gov



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Anyone wanting to bring in Easter Lilly's or spring flowers to decorate the Sanctuary on Easter morning may do so.

If the plant or flowers are in memory of or honoring someone, please let Pat know so she can list it in the bulletin.

You can drop them off at the church on Friday, April 3rd (Please place in Kitchen) or bring them Easter Sunday, April 5th.

Thank You





Loving our Children and
Youth
Supporting our Children
and Youth

Show up and support Briley Wright play Volleyball. All games are played at TRPR 320 Centennial Drive on North Gym side.

Sat. 3/28 @ 12 Noon; 4/4 @ 9:00 am; 4/11 @ 1:00 pm; 4/18 @ 10:00 am.

Show up and support Jacob Conover in Track . Track and Field meets are at Roosevelt High School.

Fri. 3/27 @ 1:00 pm; **Sat. 4/18 @ 9:00 am**; Wed. 4/29 @ 2:00 pm; **Fri. 5/1 @ 2:00 pm**
Sat. 5/9 @ 10:00 am.



Kid's Club will meet Sunday, April 12th after worship.

All Kindergarten through 5th graders are welcome to join us for lunch and a game. We will be done by 12:45 pm. Parents/guardians are welcome to join us! Friends are always welcome!

The Youth Group (6th through 12th graders)

The Youth Group will meet at JUMC on Sunday, March 29th at 2:00 pm to help fill candy bags for their Community Easter Egg Hunt.

The Youth Group will not meet Easter Sunday April 5th.

The Youth Group will meet Sunday, April 12th at JUMC from 1 to 3 pm for activities. A snack will be provided. Friends are invited and welcome to join us!



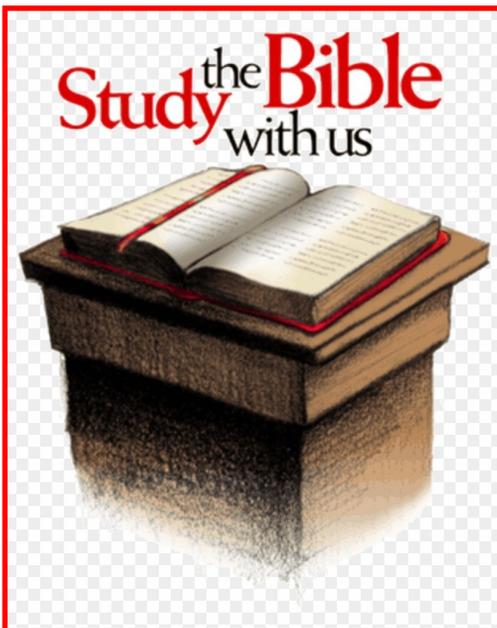
Please join us at MPC
for Bible Study the
1st and 3rd Thursday's
from 10 - 11 am

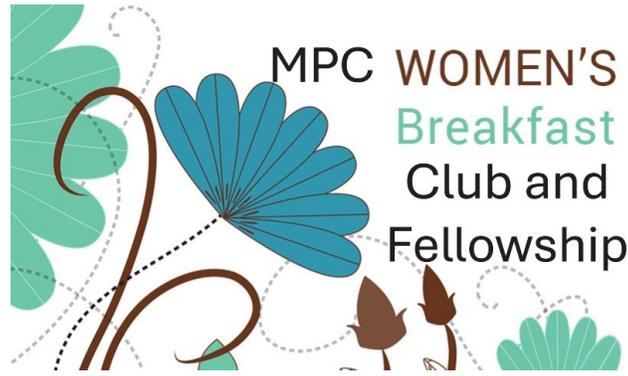
April 2nd
April 16th

as we

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

Co-Led by Sharon Morgan
and Donna Herman





**MPC WOMEN'S
Breakfast
Club and
Fellowship**

**April 11, 2026 9:00 am
Grandpa's Café
903 Mountain Avenue
Berthoud, CO**

**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 - dbshook@proton.me



Dixie Smith	28
Larry Wakeman	28
Sharon Morgan	30



Andrea Stilwell	1
Peggy Wakeman	2
Marcos Chavez	5
Emerald Jennings	18
Jan Williams	18
Mackenzie Wortman	18
Katie Ehrlich	19
Cassy Stoaks	19
Addy Wortman	20
Tilly Mae Ribble	21
Briley Wright	26
Sarah Hook	29

**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 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](#).



Church Calendar



March 28	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Easter Egg Hunt
March 29	9:15 am	Education Hour
March 29	10:30 am	Palm Sunday Service
March 29	2:00 pm	Youth Group at JUMC to fill candy bags
April 2	10:00 am	Bible Study
April 2	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Service at JUMC
April 3	5:00 pm	Girl Scouts
April 3	6:30 pm	Good Friday Service
April 4	9:00 am	Easy Worship
April 5	9:15 am	Education Hour
April 5	10:30 am	Easter Service
April 6	Office Closed	Easter Monday
April 6	11:30 - 2:00 pm	Food Pantry
April 6	6:30 pm	P.E.O.
April 8	3:00 - 5:30 pm	Food Pantry
April 8	4:10 pm	Communication Ministry Team
April 9	9:00 am	Mission and Outreach Ministry Team
April 9	5:30 pm	Trustees Meeting
April 9	6:30 pm	Praise Team
April 10	10:00 am	Presbyterian Women
April 11	9:00 am	Women's Breakfast and Fellowship
April 12	9:15 am	Education hour
April 12	10:30 am	Worship Service
April 12	11:30 am	Kids Club
April 12	1:00 pm	Youth Group at JUMC
April 13	6:00 pm	Worship Ministry Team



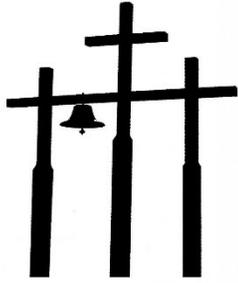
Your contributions are welcome!

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



BOARDS

Session

Donna Herman - 2026
Peggy Wakeman - 2026
Pete Keohane - 2027
Ron Uttecht - 2027- *Clerk*
Debbie Hutton - 2028
Wes Mayfield - 2028

Deacons

Jan Carlson - 2026
Marilyn Schneider - 2026
Karen Kammerzell - 2027- *Chairperson*
Phyllis Nelson - 2027
Michelle Sanchez - 2028
LeeAnn Young - 2028

Trustees

Amy Ehrlick - 2026
Cassy Stoaks - 2026
Becky Hook - 2027
Mindy Wakeman - 2027 *Chairperson*
Jim Curtis - 2028
Wendy Fields - 2028

MINISTRY TEAMS

Nominating

Ron Uttecht - *Chairperson*
Kristin Eidson
Becky Hook
Max Morgan
Phyllis Nelson

Spiritual Growth

Kellyn Wortman - *Co Chairperson*
Kylie Smith - *Co Chairperson*
Vicky Gilmer
Shari Schneider
Gabrielle Farquhar
LeeAnn Young
Amanda Young Sullivan
Sabrina Hook
Pete Keohane - *Liaison*
Wes Mayfield
JennyLei Wright

Worship

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

Finance

Kristin Eidson - *Chairperson*
Linda Daly
Martha Leadbitter
Bill Selby
Chris Hurley - *ex-officio*
Peggy Wakeman - *Liaison*

Personnel

Donna Herman- *Chairperson*
Catherine Crego
Dave Crego
Kylie Smith
Deb Hodson

Mission and Outreach

Katie Ehrlich - *Chairperson*
Gabrielle Farquhar
Doris Fields
Dani Jennings
Karen Kammerzell
Jo Keller
LeeAnn Young
Debbie Hutton

Communication

Larry Wakeman - *Chairperson*
JennyLei Wright
Heather Farquhar
Deb Hodson
Pat Woods - *ex-officio*

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

Contact Us!

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office@millikenpres.org

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

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

Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Join us live on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#)

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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.