



# The BELL RINGER

## TIMNATH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

4020 Main St. (P.O. Box 99)

Timnath, CO 80547

970-493-8996



### MAY 2011

#### MINISTERS

ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

#### STAFF

INTERIM PASTOR – REV. KEN GORMAN  
PASTOR EMERITUS - REV. PAUL MOYER  
CLERK OF SESSION – MARY ELLEN MOYER  
TREASURER – PAM FISHER  
CHOIR DIRECTOR – PEGGY BOLING  
OFFICE SECRETARY - MARY LOUISE GALLATIN

#### ELDERS

(2011) SHARON JONES	214-7442
(2011) CLARENCE SITZMAN	484-7612
(2011) AMY WIMMER	223-6919
(2012) BILL BELITZ	674-0563
(2012) NANCY GREENWOOD	669-0056
(2012) TRACIE DOUGLAS WOTOWEY	224-4542
(2013) LAURENE ALDRICH	482-7460
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#### COMMITTEES/ORGANIZATIONS

SESSION REPS and/or CHRS

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE  
LYNDEL SAXBURY

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
TRACIE DOUGLAS WOTOWEY

CONCERNS COMMITTEE  
NANCY GREENWOOD

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE  
LAURENE ALDRICH

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
CLARENCE SITZMAN

MEMORIALS  
GORDON KRUSE, CHR.

MISSION COMMITTEE  
SHARON JONES

NOMINATING COMMITTEE  
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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE  
AMY WIMMER

WORSHIP COMMITTEE  
MARY ELLEN MOYER

WORSHIP/OUTREACH/WELCOMING/EVANG.  
BILL BELITZ

YOUTH GROUP

EXPANDED OPPORTUNITIES TEAM  
CLARENCE SITZMAN

OFFICE HOURS - 9:00 A.M.--2:00 P.M.  
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS –  
10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. – TUESDAY thru FRIDAY

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
9:00 a.m.--2:00 p.m.

Church's physical address: 4020 Main St., Timnath, CO  
Church's mailing address: P.O. Box 99, Timnath, CO 80547  
Church's office phone w/voice mail – 970-493-8996  
Church's office e-mail address:

[staff@timnathpres.org](mailto:staff@timnathpres.org)

Church's Web address: <http://www.timnathpres.org>

Interim Pastor, Rev. Ken Gorman –

(970) 377-0703 (home)

(970) 231-4645 (cell)

Pastor's email – [pastor@timnathpres.org](mailto:pastor@timnathpres.org)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time

#### UPDATE from

#### PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE...

The members of your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) are mindful of and grateful for the great responsibility that has been entrusted with us. We are pleased with our work thus far and pray at the beginning and close of each meeting that God is taking pleasure from it as well.

We have completed the CIF (Church Information Form) and submitted it to the Committee on Ministry (COM) for their approval. Both Pastor Jan Adams, our liaison from COM; and Dan Saperstein, the Presbytery Executive have endorsed the CIF and we are hoping the remainder of the COM also responds favorably. If so, the CIF will be posted online in the next few weeks. The CIF acts as sort of a combination church resumé and job vacancy announcement and we should expect to begin receiving responses to it shortly after posting.

We are thankful for your patience and continued prayers.

In Christ,  
*Your PNC*



## Notes from Ken:

*At the last Worship Committee meeting Mary Ellen Moyer read an article from the April issue of Presbyterians Today about what has traditionally been called "Bright Sunday." Have you heard about "Bright Sunday," or what has more recently been referred to as "Holy Humor Sunday?"*

*For centuries, in Catholic, Orthodox, and Protestant countries, "Easter Monday" and "Bright Sunday" (the Sunday after Easter) were observed by the faithful as "days of joy and laughter" with parties and picnics to celebrate Jesus' resurrection. During that time, members of the church community would play practical jokes on each other, as well as sing and dance. It was a time for clergy and people to tell jokes and to have fun.*

*The custom of "Easter Monday" and "Bright Sunday" celebrations were rooted in the musings of early church theologians (like Augustine, Gregory of Nyssa, and John Chrysostom) that God played a practical joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead. Easter was "God's supreme joke played on death."*

*In recent decades part of that tradition has been revived with the emphasis on "Holy Humor Sunday." The Worship Committee here at TPC liked the idea but didn't feel there was enough time to adequately plan for it this year.*

*Since the scheduled publication date of this issue of the newsletter is May 1<sup>st</sup>, I thought I might offer a few funnies I've seen recently. The following sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or announcements.*

- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
- The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.
- Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again", giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
- Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use back door.

*The joy of this season points us toward the grace of God.*

*With Christ's Blessings,*

*Ken*

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

*from March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting*

- ◆ Three members of Pastor Nominating Committee met with Session to share the information contained in our **Church Information Form** (CIF) before sending it to Presbytery Executive Dan Saperstein and Presbytery's Committee On Ministry. Session approved the CIF with advice for changes.
- ◆ We welcome the following **new members** who joined Timnath Presbyterian Church on April 17<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer Breitenfeldt, Holly Gray, Sue Siferd, Jack & Marilyn Pitcher.
- ◆ Session approved the Christian Education Committee Report confirming daily **Vacation Bible School** to be held **June 20-24**, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The theme from Gospel Light Press will be **SON HARVEST COUNTY FAIR**.
- ◆ Concerns Committee members will be delivering **May Baskets** to six persons.
- ◆ Worship Committee reported **108 were served Communion** on Sunday, April 3.
- ◆ Mission Committee reported **132 pounds of food** were delivered to Food Bank of Larimer County.
- ◆ Session approved **hosting Presbytery** on February 11-12, 2012.
- ◆ Session approved the following **building use requests**: Vista Bonita Recreation Association - Tuesday, May 17, 6:00 -9:00 p.m., and Timnath Meadows Homeowners Association - Monday, May 23, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

## 2011 PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT is \$40.26

*This is the amount each church must pay per member to cover administrative and supportive services needed at every level of the Presbyterian Church (USA)—General Assembly, Synod, Presbytery. This is an approximate \$5000.00 expense to our church budget. Although it is a budgeted item, if you would like to contribute your own apportionment, please make your checks payable to Timnath Presbyterian and indicate "per capita" on the check. Thank you.*



## NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Christian Education Committee is accepting **applications for two Nursery Attendants**. These will be paid positions and will require certifications appropriate for childcare. Please contact Melissa Fisher or Tracie Douglas Wotowey for details.

**SUNDAY, MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**Mother's Day**

## BREAKFAST—

### IN HONOR OF MOTHERS

The efficiency and durability of our new kitchen will be put to the test on **Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**. TPC's Men's Group is proud to announce that we will resume our tradition of preparing and serving breakfast in honor of Mothers — **7:30-9:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, in Fellowship Hall**. Come celebrate Mothers everywhere by breaking bread with us.

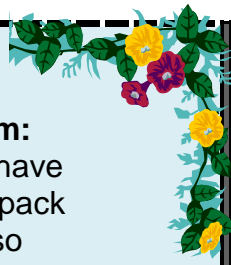
Incidentally, thanks to the antics of Gil (*Mr. Congregational Life*) Fisher, although he may blame it on Greg (*Who, Me?*) Starlin; we have decided to change the menu from years past. Come see for yourselves.

## MISSION COMMITTEE

### ☆ **McKinney Back-Pack Program:**

Thank you again to those who have brought grocery bags for the back pack program. Your efforts have been so successful that we will not need to collect grocery bags after the first Sunday in May. We will start collecting bags again about the middle of August. Back-Packs is now furnishing over 200 families who would otherwise have very little to eat on weekends with a bag of groceries every weekend. Your bags have been repurposed to a good cause! Thank you so much.

☆ **Easter Food Boxes:** Thanks to the generosity of the congregation, the Mission Committee was able to pack and deliver five Easter boxes on Good Friday. Each family received Easter dinner food, as well as Easter baskets. Thank you to those of you who brought jelly beans, chocolate eggs, chocolate bunnies, assorted Easter candy, hams, potatoes, rice, oranges, apples, canned veggies, canned fruit, Easter baskets, grass for the baskets, little stuffed animals, as well as other Easter goodies. They also received a gift card to Wal-Mart. The Mission Committee appreciates your support! Thank you so much!



**CONCERNS COMMITTEE:** Please remember that Concerns Committee is here for you. Our efforts are greatly enhanced when you inform us of a concern within our congregation. Please don't assume that we already know. Hearing about someone's need multiple times is better than not

### **CONCERNS CONTACTS—**

Coordinator & Session Rep. –  
Nancy Greenwood – 669-0056

Funeral Dinners --

Patsy Hutcheson – 222-8073

Nancy Greenwood – 669-0056

Emergency Meals --

Judy Gossley – 493-6739

Nancy Immel – 224-9041

Nancy Greenwood – 669-0056

Prayer Chain –

1<sup>st</sup> Maxine Hansen – 226-3876

2<sup>nd</sup> Paula Matney – 225-0440

Cards -- Dorothy Weitzel – 482-8075

Hospital Flowers –

Bunny Goshorn – 482-7849

Mary Louise Gallatin – 493-8996

Visits -- Bev McBride – 482-9386



## **EMERGENCY MEALS**

### *from Concerns Committee*

One of the functions of the Concerns Committee is to provide Emergency Meals (if requested) to those experiencing a short-term need, i.e. after surgery or injury. After your request is made, meals are set up within a day or so. Our very willing, caring, and generous volunteers will provide the meals for 1 week, every other day, and, if needed, up to 2 weeks, every other day.

Judy Gossley (493-6739) is our Emergency Meals Coordinator;

Back-up coordinators:

Nancy Immel (224-9041) &

Nancy Greenwood (669-0056).

If a need arises for emergency meals, please contact Judy, Nancy I., or Nancy G.

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO PREPARE EMERGENCY MEALS.**

## **CHURCH WOMEN UNITED -**

### **May Friendship Day**

**Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> – from 9:30-11:30 a.m.**

Christ United Methodist Church,

301 E. Drake Rd., Ft. Collins

Fellowship time, Business Meeting and Ecumenical Service. Fellowship of the Least Coin, Lap Robes, and Layettes will be received, and Valiant Woman Award presented.



**FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE...**



**2011 Vacation Bible School:**

**Who:** Children age 2 yrs. - Eighth grade are invited to attend VBS

**What:** "Son Harvest County Fair" Vacation Bible School

**When:** June 20-24, from 9:00 - 12:00 noon

**Where:** Timnath Presbyterian Church, 4020 Main Street, Timnath, CO

Please **RSVP** to Melissa Fisher 970-227-5297 [m.fisher@LPBroadband.net](mailto:m.fisher@LPBroadband.net) by June 5, 2011, with children's names and ages/grade.

**Camperships for Highlands Camp:**

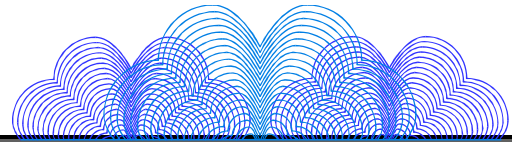
Camperships are available to attend Highlands Camp. Campership applications are available from the church office. Completed applications should be returned to Melissa Fisher or Tracie Douglas Wotowey by June 1, 2011.

**Christian Education Meeting:**

Christian Ed. Comm. will meet to discuss VBS, etc., on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 9:00 am at the church.

Questions or to volunteer for VBS contact Melissa Fisher 970-227-5297 or email, [m.fisher@LPBroadband.net](mailto:m.fisher@LPBroadband.net)

**Sunday School's Last Day before Summer** -- Sunday, May 22, 2011



**AFTERNOON CIRCLE** will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, at the home of Becky McDill. For lunch, please bring a salad to share. Rolls and dessert will be provided. Please bring a thought to share.

**EVENING CIRCLE** will meet at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, at the home of Peg Boling. Refreshments will be served by Sonny Swope and June Haynes.

The final lesson in JOURNEYS THROUGH REVELATION, called "Journey Into the New Jerusalem," will be led by Linda Ogilvie. The key idea is *God comes to live with us in the New Jerusalem, and Revelation calls upon people to live as citizens of God's New Jerusalem even in the heart of the empire.*

Scripture: Revelation 21 - 22.

**FROM THE LIBRARY**

Have you read *The Gift for All People*, by Max Lucado? If not, be sure to do so. You will be very moved by it. It is awesome in the way it explains the meaning of Jesus' death on the cross and His resurrection. This book is now available to be checked out from our church library.



**GAME NIGHT @ TPC**

**5:30 p.m., Friday, May 13**

We will have one last Game Night @ TPC before we break for the summer. Bring your own sack dinner and come join us for a night of fun and fellowship and a time to show our appreciation and thanks to Gordon and Edith Kruse for their efforts in coordinating these activities. Dessert will be provided.

**CONGRATULATIONS - JONATHAN !!**

Jonathan Alger will graduate from Fossil Ridge High School this spring. A **Graduation Reception** for Jonathan will follow worship on **Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**, during our Fellowship Time.



***PRAYER SHAWL***

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be celebrating our 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at "**Victoria's Tiny Tea Room**" in Eaton on May 14<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. That is our regular knitting day, so please remember that we will NOT be at the church on that day. **Any others who would like to help us celebrate are welcome to come, but**

*please RSVP*

**to Patsy Hutcheson or Joan Saxbury as soon as you can. The cost is \$13 per person, and you will pay at the Tea Room.** Refer to last month's Bellringer for more information. We will be setting up carpools in the next week or so. If you're planning to come, please plan to wear or bring your prayer shawl! **If we were Red Hat Ladies**, we'd be wearing our red hats--so, *let's wear those shawls!*

We will have our regular gathering on **May 28<sup>th</sup>**, **9:00-11:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.



Everyone is encouraged to **wear their shawls**, particularly on **Mother's Day, May 8<sup>th</sup>**, and for the **Women's Service on May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, - but, please don't wait for a special invitation to wear your shawl. They are meant to be worn!"

***BAZAAR -- CREATE-A-THONS***

**7:00 p.m. -- Thursdays , May 5, 19, 26 at the church**



THANK YOU to all choir members and to choir volunteers who put in so much extra time over the past few weeks to make Easter Sunday a memorable choral presentation. Joan Saxbury's accompaniment was flawless.

The choral prelude, "Alleluia," had the additional violin sounds of four-year old Jared Salisbury, son of Troy and Holly Salisbury and grandson of Jack and Carol Salisbury. Thank you, Jared, for your sterling performance and extra rehearsals with the choir.

**Thank you to everyone who helped set up, decorate, cook, donate money, serve, eat and clean up for the Easter Sunrise Breakfast.**

**--Congregational Life Committee**

*Thank you to the church for your thoughts, cards, and prayers. Special thanks to Joan, Mary Ellen, the choir, and Jared Salisbury for making the Easter music so special.*

*--Gene & Peggy Boling*

***NEEDS FOR THE BAZAAR***

- Buttons – any size, any color
- Scrapbooking paper – any size, any color
- Card Stock – any size, any color
- Paper gift bags – new/used, any size/color
- Card envelopes – any size, any color
- Empty, washed powdered creamer containers, any size (coffee-mate)
- Men's ties
- Zippers with metal teeth

A collection box is in the Narthex:

***"BAZAAR ITEMS"***