



The BELL RINGER

TIMNATH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

4020 MAIN STREET (P.O. BOX 99)

TIMNATH, CO 80547

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NOVEMBER 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

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(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
(2013) MARY ELLEN MOYER 225-6254
(2013) LYNDEL SAXBURY 482-8042

COMMITTEES/ORGANIZATIONS

SESSION REPS and/or CHRS

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE
LYNDEL SAXBURY

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TRACIE DOUGLAS WOTOWEY

CONCERNS COMMITTEE
NANCY GREENWOOD

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE
LAURENE ALDRICH

FINANCE COMMITTEE
CLARENCE SITZMAN

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MISSION COMMITTEE
SHARON JONES

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AMY WIMMER

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RUSS SKINNER

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
AMY WIMMER

WORSHIP COMMITTEE
MARY ELLEN MOYER

WELCOMING AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE
BILL BELITZ

YOUTH GROUP

“BLASTED DEBT” TEAM
SUE SIFERD & BEV MC BRIDE

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
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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

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time

CHURCH LIBRARY DEDICATION

During worship on Sunday, October 23, 2011, our church library was dedicated to the memory of Maxine Hansen and named

“The Maxine Hansen Library”.

Maxine was instrumental in the formation of this library, and served as church librarian from its beginning until her recent passing.



NEW EMERGENCY MEALS COORDINATOR:

Louise Vance has recently assumed the responsibility as Emergency Meals Coordinator for Concerns Committee.

Thank you, Louise.

If you have need of emergency meals, contact Louise at 206-1120.

Notes from Ken

Thanksgiving is one of our most popular national holidays. That may be because the celebration and festivities of the day center on food. Sometimes I think we forget that this national holiday is more than just a time to eat too much food and watch a lot of football. After all, the origin of our holiday celebration is rooted in the struggle for survival by the early settlers.

The original thanksgiving celebration was held by the Pilgrim settlers in Massachusetts during their second winter in America in December, 1621. The first winter had killed 44 of the original 102 colonists. At one point their daily food ration was down to five kernels of corn apiece, but then an unexpected trading vessel arrived, swapping beaver pelts for corn, and providing for their severe need. The next summer's crop brought hope, and Governor William Bradford decreed that December 13, 1621, be set aside as a day of feasting and prayer to show the gratitude of the colonists that they were still alive.

Thanksgiving is a time for reflection and prayer. In Psalm 9:1 we read, "I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your wonderful deeds." And Habakkuk 3:17-18 reminds us, "Though the fig tree does not blossom, and no fruit is on the vines; though the produce of the olive fails, and the fields yield no food; though the flock may be cut off from the fold and there is no herd in the stalls; yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will exalt in the God of my salvation."

What will you be grateful for this Thanksgiving? We should all spend a part of Thanksgiving Day recounting all that we have been blessed with during this past year and then take a few moments to offer a prayer of gratitude to God.

Thanksgiving

by Ralph Waldo Emerson

For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.

With Christ's Blessings

Ken





SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

From October 13th Meeting

- At the request of Finance Committee and PNC, the date for Special **Congregational Meeting** was moved from October 30, 2011 to **November 6, 2011**.
- **Stewardship Campaign** will be presented on **Sunday, November 13, 2011**.
- Sunday, November 13, 2011, Timnath Presbyterian Church will be a **neutral pulpit** for LaPorte Presbyterian Church, hosting their pastoral candidate.
- On Sunday, October 2, 2011, 90 congregants were served Communion.
- Mission Committee reported 110 pounds of food were donated to Larimer County **Food Bank** and \$100.00 in cash.
- **Presbytery** will convene on October 28 and 29, 2011, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Fort Collins. Sharon Jones will be commissioner from Timnath Presbyterian Church.
- **Church Women United** will meet at Timnath Presbyterian Church on November 4, 2011, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- On October 23, 2011, the **library** will be dedicated to the memory of Maxine Hansen and will be named The Maxine Hansen Library.
- The following **building use request** was approved by Session:
Cub Scouts on Mondays, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., October 10 to end of school year.

LOVE and SYMPATHY is extended to the following families:

✝ The Family of Pat Gass. Pat passed away on October 5th.

and...

✝ The Family of Maxine Hansen. Maxine passed away October 13th



WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

(Church Women United)

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Friday, November 4th

Timnath Presbyterian Church

Theme: *Living Our Faith; Unlocking Action*

Dime-a-Dip Lunch -- potluck

Please bring a dish to share.

2nd Mile Mission's Health Kits will be presented.



Daylight Savings Time Ends

Sunday, November 6th

SPECIAL WORSHIP BULLETINS

will be purchased for the four Sundays of Advent, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day (Sunday) services.

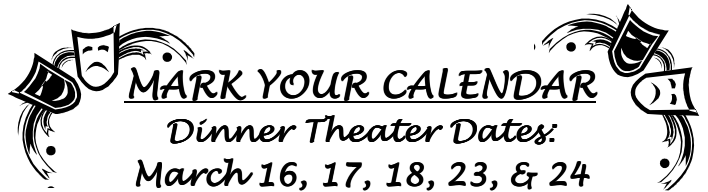
If you would like to "purchase a worship service," possibly as a memorial, at \$15.00 per "service", please contact Mary Louise in the church office (493-8996).



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

For the purpose of electing new elders, Nominating Committee member, and review of 2012 Budget.

11:00 a.m., Sunday, November 6, 2011
(Immediately following worship)



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting on November 12 at the Sunflower Room, and November 26 in the Fellowship Hall of the church. We meet from 9-11 a.m, and would love to have you join us for handwork, fellowship, and prayer time.



If you'd like more information, please contact Joan at 970-482-8042.

2ND MILE MISSION will meet on the Tuesdays, November 1 & 15, 9:30-3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. For lunch, please bring a sandwich and fruit to share.

FROM MISSION COMMITTEE... Mission Committee will meet November 3rd to finalize plans for upcoming holiday mission projects. Thanksgiving and Christmas meals will be provided to selected families in need. Watch Sunday bulletins for details, as well as the Christmas Angel Tree.



A big *Thank You* to Judy Gossley who recently resigned as Emergency Meals Coordinator after having filled this position for close to 20 years. Judy, your service has been very much appreciated.

The church office has a new feel and a fresh new look – fresh paint, new window coverings and new office furniture. If you haven't seen it, please stop by. Thanks to those involved.

Thank you for all the cards, flowers, visits, food (thanks, Bev!) and prayers at the time of my recent surgery. We are so blessed to be part of such a loving and caring church family. --Joan Saxbury

A gigantic THANK YOU to everyone in the congregation for your wonderful help with the Bazaar. It was a huge success. Not all the figures are in at this point, but the current projection is in the \$10,000 range. A detailed report will be forthcoming.

**YOU ALL HELPED MAKE IT HAPPEN!!!!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!!**

*Sharon Jones & Nancy Greenwood,
Bazaar Co-Chairs*

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 hearing/knowing at all. You are our eyes and ears.

CONCERNS CONTACTS—

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| Coordinator & Session Rep. – Nancy Greenwood – 669-0056 | |
| Funeral Dinners | Patsy Hutcheson – 222-8073 |
| | Nancy Greenwood – 669-0056 |
| Emergency Meals | Louise Vance – 206-1120 |
| Prayer Chain | Paula Matney – 225-0440 |
| | Mary Louise Gallatin – 493-8996 |
| Cards | Dorothy Weitzel – 482-8075 |
| Hospital Flowers | Bunny Goshorn – 482-7849 |
| | Mary Louise Gallatin – 493-8996 |



FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE:

The Finance Committee has been busy wearing two hats this fall. On October 2, we hosted a potluck lunch after church, followed by a brief presentation of the "Blasted Debt" Capital Campaign. You were then asked to make a three-year pledge to the Blasted Debt. Please see the article on the Blasted Debt Capital Campaign (in this Bellringer). Thanks to Sue Siferd for joining the Finance Committee earlier this year and for agreeing to be co-chair of the Capital Campaign. She has done an outstanding job.

The other hat we are wearing is for the Stewardship Campaign which we kicked off on Sunday, October 16. We have had several presentations from committees or groups within our church to give you an idea of how they spend their portion of the budget. There will be additional presentations in the upcoming Sundays so don't miss them! On Sunday, November 6, the General Operating Budget will be presented at the Congregational Meeting. The General Operating Budget was approved by Session at the October 13th Session meeting. Along with the November Bellringer, you should receive the 2012 Narrative Budget, Time and Talent Sheet and a Pledge Form for the General Operating Budget. The full budget is available on the table in the Narthex if you would like one.

We know that it might be confusing to have two different pledges going on at pretty much the same time. One pledge (Blasted Debt) is a capital pledge for the improvements made to the church because of the opportunities that arose when our little country church exploded in August 2009. The Blasted Debt pledge starts now and continues for three years. The other pledge is the general operating pledge that we do on an annual basis to support and enhance the continuation of the programs and mission for the Timnath Presbyterian Church. That pledge starts January 1, 2012, and ends on December 31, 2012. It is important to fill out a new pledge card every year.

Lastly, we would ask that each individual fill out a Time and Talent Sheet. This is a pledge of your time and/or talents to also help Timnath Presbyterian support and enhance the continuation of the programs and mission for the Timnath Presbyterian Church.

If you have any questions regarding any of these pieces, please give Bev McBride a call at (970) 482-9386 or ask a Finance Committee member (Pam Fisher, Pastor Ken Gorman, Gordon Kruse, Bev McBride, Jack Pitcher, Fred Roedger, Sue Siferd, and Clarence Sitzman).


Thanks!

From the Capital Campaign Task Force:

A big THANK YOU to all who pledged to the Capital Campaign to pay off our "Blasted Debt!" We appreciated that nearly seventy of you attended our potluck luncheon celebrating the kick-off of this campaign. We are off to a fine start!

On Sunday, October 2nd, we gratefully received 15 pledges for \$23,650. These pledges are a very good start to our Capital Campaign to pay off the money we owe to the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) on the property at 4012 Main Street and to ourselves for the down payment to the 4012 Main St. property and the upgrades to our church building during the recent reconstruction.

This pledge campaign runs from October 2011 through September 2014. If you have not yet pledged, you may do so at any time. Pledge cards may be received in the collection plate on Sunday mornings, turned in at the church office or given directly to Pam Fisher. If you need a pledge card, they are available in the Narthex or see Sue Siferd. Thank you again to all whose pledges we have received.

 **AND AS A REMINDER:** A few years ago some of our many talented people here at Timnath Presbyterian Church recorded a CD of musical selections. Artists included a Women's Group, a Men's Group, solos by Clarence Sitzman and Edie Brooks, piano selections by Maxine Hansen and Joan Saxbury, and piano/organ duets by Maxine and Darlene Schnorr, among others. We have several CD's left for sale at \$15.00 each. The entire price of each CD goes to the former EXPO fund, currently known as the "Blasted Debt" Fund. These make wonderful Christmas gifts, and we hope they will be a source of enjoyment to you, your friends and your families for many years to come.

Look for the CD's on the table in the Narthex near the entrance to the sanctuary. Place your payment in the envelope found beside the CD's. Make checks payable to TPC and please indicate "Blasted Debt" or "CD" on the memo line.

FROM BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE...

Buildings & Grounds Committee has been very busy this fall. The sprinkler system was put in and with a lot of help the main waterline for the office was replaced.

The office was spruced up, inside and out. The big room of the office was painted and Don Hutcheson painted the outside trim of the office. We purchased a few new chairs, new window coverings and a new dry-erase board for the office which will be a welcome addition for the new pastor. Downspouts were cleaned. Landscaping has started on the west side of the church. There is new curbing around the tree on the west by the office. Stop by and take a look. It should make mowing much easier.



We have also moved the concrete bumper blocks to the rear parking lot in an attempt to define the driveway for the rental houses. When parking in the rear, please take note of the lane that we created and please do not park in that opening which gives our renters access to their houses.

THANK YOU to everyone who has helped this fall with our many different projects. Not all projects have been listed but certainly, without everyone's help, we could not have gotten it all done.

AND...As I am writing this, our BIG snowstorm just gave us another project--downed tree limbs. The work just seems to never end.

Blessings to all. *Mike*

DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS...



★ following the Worship Service on Sunday, November 20th. Watch for details in the Sunday bulletin. Decorating the church for the Advent Season and Christmas has been a long-standing, church family tradition. All are invited to participate in this activity.

GAME NIGHT @ THE CHURCH

5:30 p.m.

1st & 3rd Friday of each month
November 4 & 18

Bridge (for players of all abilities) and other card and board games as desired.

Bring a sack supper and your favorite game. Contact Edith Kruse if you have any questions.



HIGHLANDS CAMP - Christmas Party & Fund Raising Auction



1:00 -4:00 p.m. -- Saturday, December 3rd

We greatly appreciate the contribution(s) you have made to our past auctions and are hoping that you may want to create something wonderful to donate for this year's auction. We are looking for all types of handcrafted items such as quilts, quilted items, art work, photographs, knitted or crocheted items, woodworking items, etc.

**To donate or if questions,
contact Jayne Sears, 970-226-1949.**

HIGHLANDS CAMP – MATCHING GRANT



June Hays, a generous support of Highlands Camp, has offered a 2 for 1 Matching Grant to support debt reduction, to reduce the principal on their mortgage. For each dollar donated to Highlands for debt reduction between September 1 and December 15, 2011, Jane will give two dollars...up to a maximum of \$100,000. All donations should be made directly to Highlands Camp specifying "Matching Grant—Debt Reduction".

VETERAN'S DAY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11



STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13th

Please plan to turn-in your completed
2011

Time & Talent Sheet/Pledge Form

REMEMBER TO VOTE

on or before
ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2011.

