Jan/Feb 2020

CELEBRATING 150 years of God's Faithfulness!





Pastor Eric

"Taste and see that the Lord is good." Psalm 34:8

I must admit that I am bit thrown off by it being the year 2020. It sounds so futuristic and far off, like the subtitle for the sequel to a Sci-Fi movie. And yet here we are, not in the future, but very much the present.

2020, however, can also mean clearsighted, as in referring to one's vision as being 20/20. Some are born with perfect vision while others augment their eyes with glasses, contacts, and even impressive surgeries. We are not confined to the present state of our sight but have the possibility of



honing this sense — of seeing things more clearly.

This is also true of another kind of sight; a sort of vision that many of us would rather have stay in the dark. Spiritual Sight, the ability to see reality as God sees it, is a powerful and risky sense to hone. For when we see as God sees, then will recognize where we fall short, and we will see the true value of each person whom we've shown contempt and scorn. We will be made aware of our short-sightedness in our treatment of creation and the ways that we've closed our eyes to others' needs. And yet it was the way of Christ to cure both physical and spiritual blindness, so we should ask that he would clarify our spiritual sight as well.

And so, my friends, I would encourage you to take 2020 as challenge. Commit yourself this year to pursue 20/20 in your spiritual vision. Perhaps your are

so spiritually nearsighted that you can never look beyond your own concerns to see the others around you. You may be spiritually farsighted to the degree that you do not know yourself. Ask for God to correct your vision where it is lacking, so that you can see as our Lord sees. For as you see more clearly, surely you will recognize new facets to the goodness of our Lord.

In Christ, Eric

Ask a friend to join you.

You Have A Friend At Valmont!

Sunday School: 9 am **Worship Service: 10:30**

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Bulletin Board

Calendar

Elders:

Debbie Greever Doug Myers
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Treasurer: Ruth Lewis

Church Administrator: Ella Travis

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Dr. Andrew Brown

Accompanist: Stella Pradeau



Weekly Activities

Sunday: Iglesia meets 3:00-5:00 pm

Tuesday: Women's Association meets Third Tuesday at 10 am

Session, third Tuesday at 5:30 pm

Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Wednesday: Choir 5:45—7:15pm

Every Thursday: Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Every Friday – Valmont Victors 8-10 pm

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1/5 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am

1/6 - Epiphany of our Lord

1/7 - Worship Team at 10:30am

1/8 - Deacons at 4:00pm

1/11 - Presbytery Meeting at Weldon Valley Presbyterian Church at 10:00am

1/12 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am, Officer Ordination and Installation

1/14 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm

1/19 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am, Communion Sunday

1/21 - Session at 5:45pm

1/26 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am

1/28 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm

2/2 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am

2/4 - Worship Team at 10:30am

2/5 - Deacons at 4:00pm

2/9 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am

2/11 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm

2/16 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am, Communion Sunday

2/18 - Session at 5:45pm

2/23 - Worship at 10:30am, Education Hour at 9:00am, Transfiguration Sunday

2/25 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm

2/26 - Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm





Operation Christmas Child... Submitted by Ruth T.

Thanks again to all who made this year's National Collection Week a huge success. Whether you filled one or more shoeboxes, helped with receiving and transporting them to the Central Drop-Off location, or both, Cindy and I cannot thank you enough. Last year the Valmont family filled 43 shoeboxes and this year we filled 71. As the Boulder Drop-Off location, last year we collected 555 shoeboxes and this year we were 4 boxes short of 800!! That's amazing. So mark your calendar for next year to help out during the 3rd week in November.



Pig Roasts and Potlucks

Slow Cooker Garlic Chipotle Lime Chicken submitted by Anne

This super simple slow cooker garlic chipotle lime chicken is a very flavorful, paleo, low carb dish that can be tossed in the slow cooker in a snap. A set it and forget it crock pot & Instant Pot dinner.

Course: gluten free, low carb, paleo Cuisine: chicken, dinner, slow cooker Servings: 6

Calories: 183 kcal Author: Stacey

Ingredients

• 1 ½ lb chicken breasts or thighs boneless skinless *can use frozen

Sauce Ingredients: ½ cup tomato sauce *2 tbsp olive oil or avocado oil *2 cloves to 3 garlic

- ◆ 2 tbsp mild green chilies canned *1 tbsp apple cider vinegar * 3 tbsp lime juice
- ½ cup fresh cilantro or flat leaf Italian parsley * 1½ tsp sweetener of choice: Swerve or coconut sugar
- ½ tsp to 1 tsp ground chipotle powder mild to spicy *1 tsp sea salt *¼ tsp black pepper

Direction:

- 1. In a food processor or blender, add all the sauce ingredients and pulse until smooth.
- 2. In a slow cooker on high or low heat add chicken breasts or thighs.
- 3. Pour the sauce over the top of chicken. Close slow cooker lid and cook for 4 to 6 hours on high or 6 to 8 hours on low. Serve & enjoy.
- 1. In a blender or food processor add tomato sauce, chicken broth, olive oil, garlic cloves, green chiles, apple cider vinegar, lime juice, cilantro, erythritol sweetener, chipotle powder, cumin, sea salt, and black pepper. Pulse until blended. Set aside.
- 2. Spray the bottom of the inner pot of the Instant pot lightly with non-stick coconut oil spray. Add chicken thighs to the pot.
- 3. Pour the sauce over the chicken. Close, lock the lid and flip the steam release handle to the Venting position.
- 4. Select Slow Cook on "More" setting and set the cook timer for 4 hours.
- 5. When the cook time is complete, open the lid and transfer the chicken to a serving platter.
- 6. Select Sauté (Normal) and let the sauce simmer in the pot until thickened, about 6-8 minutes. Pour over chicken & Serve.



Stella May's 90th birthday party. A wonderful day, a wonderful Party. Happy Birthday Stella May!







Know your Bible?

- 1. What is another name for Feast of Unleavened Bread?
- 1. Feast of Booths
- 2. Passover
- 3. Pentecost
- 4. Feast of Tabernacles
- 2. How old was David when he became king?
- 1. 15 2.30 3.50 4.21
- 3. Which prophet anointed David as king?
- 1. Elijah 2. Jeremiah 3. Isaiah 4. Samuel
- 4. What color was Jesus' robe when he was put on trial and executed? 1. Blue 2. Scarlet 3. Gold 4. White
- 5. What does the name Barnabas mean?
- 1. Son of Death 2. Son of Encouragement
- 3. Son of Thunder 4. Son of Farmers
- 6. What did King Belshazzar do to cause a floating hand to appear and write on his walls?
- 1. He drank from cups stolen from the Temple
- 2. He asked for a sign from God
- 3. He built a false idol
- 4. He asked for an interpretation of his dream
- 7. Which body of water parted for Joshua and the Israelites carrying the Ark of the Covenant?
- 1. The Red Sea
- 2. The Nile
- 3. The Jordan Rive r
- 4. The Mediterranean Sea



- 1. Benjamin 2. Levi 3. Joseph 4. Judah
- 9. Who did God ask Abraham to sacrifice to prove his devotion?
- 1. His brother, Nahor 2. His son, Ishmael
- 3. His wife, Sarah 4. His son, Isaac
- 10. How many stones did David take with him to fight Goliath?
- 1. 100
- 2.5 3.10 4.1
- 11. How many Books of Wisdom and Poetry are in the Bible?
- 1 1 2 12 3 5 4 All of them
- 12. Who were Jesus' first disciples?
- 1. Peter and Andrew 2. James and John
- 3. Thomas and Judas 4. Matthew and Philip
- 13. Who was the first person ever born?
- 1. Adam
- 2. Abel
- 3. Cain
- 4. Seth
- 14. Who was the first person to see the injured man in the parable of the Good Samaritan?
- 1. A soldier 2. A widow 3. An angel 4. A priest

Answers on the last page!

HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGTS

Highlands – A Sanctuary for the Spirit, a School for the Mind, a Joy for the Heart and a Shelter in the Storm.

Highlands Christmas Party and auction was a huge success!! Over \$12,000 was raised for the ministry of Highlands. Many artists, congregations and individuals made it a very fun event. Many year-end gifts have been received since the party and it appears that the year will end on a very strong note. The continuing goal is to have the mortgage debt wiped out by the end of 2021.

A grant from Calvary Presbyterian Church Legacy fund has been received which will help us to expand the mountain bike program for the summer of 2020. Mountain biking will be offered to both campers and guest groups. Peddle boats will also be available for use on the pond. Summer will be a great time at Highlands with all the activities available for guests. Online registration for Summer Camp is up and available to use.

Please keep the ministry of Highlands in your prayers along with the very generous donors, the hard-working staff, the volunteers and the Highlands Camp Committee!! They do an amazing job to keep Highlands running!!

Blessings!! Ruth Lewis Highlands Camp Committee



Daily Bible reading: Psalms 1-4



"Psalm 1 – The Godly"

(Psalm 1:1-6, GW) "Blessed is the person who does not follow the advice of wicked people, take the path of sinners, or join the company of mockers. (2) Rather, he delights in the teachings of the LORD and reflects on his teachings day and night. (3) He is like a tree planted beside streams- a tree that produces fruit in season and whose leaves do not wither. He succeeds in everything he does. (4) Wicked people are not like that. Instead, they are like husks that the wind blows away. (5) That is why wicked people will not be able to stand in the judgment and sinners will not be able to stand where righteous people gather. (6) The LORD knows the way of righteous people, but the way of wicked people will end."

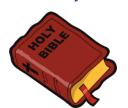


Psalms mean a song sung with musical accompaniment. The Psalms are Songs and Poetry of all kinds. Multiple authors wrote the Psalms; David, Asaph, the sons of Korah, Solomon, Ethan, and Moses. They were written over the span of approximately 900 years. The Psalms include praises of joy, laments, blessings, and thanksgivings. They

are directed at God and they help us to express and communicate ourselves to Him. We read about the Psalmist's emotions from one extreme to another, from praising, delighting in and worshiping God with fervor, to repentance and crying out to Him in despair. Psalms sits at the very center of the Bible. The major themes found in Psalms are Praise. God's Power, Forgiveness, Thankfulness and Trust.

Psalm 1 teaches us about the character and condition of godly people. They don't follow wicked people; instead they follow the teachings of the Lord. They receive divine blessing that produce real results. As we reflect on God's word, we will begin to think and act differently. As a result we will be like a tree planted by the waters, we will receive what we need to flourish and be blessed all the days of our life.

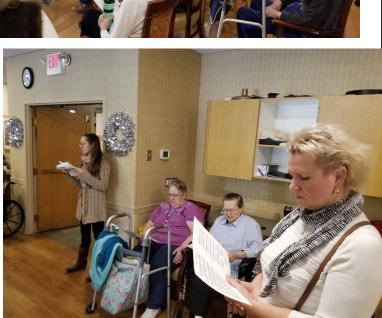
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5th Sunday Service at ManorCare

It was a well attended service and appreciated by the residents. We will bring a worship service to the residents of ManorCare every Fifth Sunday in 2020. We hope you'll worship with us in March!







Guess who is coming out of the church?





Women's Association

In November Women's Association hosted an arts and crafts show, netting \$369. This enabled us to purchase 48 Corelle salad plates and to make a contribution to the ministry of Keith and Lana Vandegrift.

Several blankets have been made for Project Linus, a non-profit organization based in Parker, CO which furnishes handmade blankets to severely ill and/or traumatized children.

At our January meeting, the 21st, Stella May Montgomery will share her life with pictures..We will also continue our ministry of taking cookies to Attention Homes.



Blessings, Cindy

Highlands is Hiring

Highlands is looking to hire people to work in guest services, housekeeping and as host. These positions pay \$12/hour and housing with meals are available. Individuals can apply on line at highlandcamp.org. They are looking for people who can start immediately.

Hosting the Presbytery Meeting

It was a full house when we hosted the Presbytery meeting which took place in November. Thanks for all the volunteers that helped pull this off.



Eric's Preaching Schedule

Date	Scripture	Title	Series
January 5	Luke 3:1-22	Riverside Chats with John	[One Off]
January 12	Hebrews 1:1-14	King of Angels	Hebrews Pt. 1
January 19	Hebrews 2:1-18	Pioneer of Life	Hebrews Pt. 1
January 26	Hebrews 3:1-19	The True Lawgiver	Hebrews Pt. 1
February 2	Hebrews 4:1-13	Lord of the Sabbath	Hebrews Pt. 1
February 9	Hebrews 4:14-5:10	Great High Priest	Hebrews Pt. 1
February 16	Hebrews 5:11-6:12	Bringer of Maturity	Hebrews Pt. 1
February 23	Hebrews 6:13-20	The Hope of Abraham	Hebrews Pt. 1

Israel?

What is the difference in these reference to Israel:

- Promised Land
- Land of Israel
- Canan
- Zion
- ♦ Holy land
- State of Israel

Adult Sunday school has some answers.



Pastor's Schedule:

Sunday: Worship

Monday - Thursday: In the office and responding to email

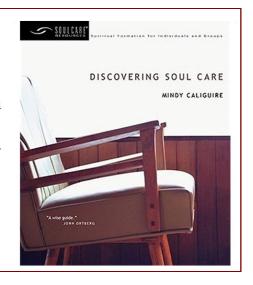
Friday - Saturday: Weekend

Answers: 1. 2 2.2 3.4 4.2 5.2 6.1 7.3 8.4 9.4 10.2 11.3 12.1 13.3 14.4

Adult Education

Beginning on 1/12 the adult education class will spend the education hour working our way through Mindy Caliguire's *Discovering Soul Care*. This will be an interactive time with one another where we will not only discuss the content of Caliguire's book, but we will also be seeking the care of our souls so that we might be effective disciples of Jesus within the world.

Eric



It's your Vintage

Anyone who would like to contribute articles, pictures, recipes or anecdotes, please submit by the 20th prior to publication month to **Mike Greever** via email at **mgreever@rmprohomes.com** or give to **Ella in the office Publication Months: Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov.**