

Jan/Feb 2022

# Valmont VINTAGE

CELEBRATING *150 years* OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS!



Valmont Community Presbyterian Church



## Pastor Eric

*"Rejoice with those who rejoice;  
mourn with those who mourn." Ro-  
mans 12:15*

As we start this new year, we have been presented the opportunity to fulfill Paul's words about the mission of the church amongst our neighbors in the world — for people are both rejoicing and mourning. Each day there are new children being born; new opportunities for developing relationships; new possibilities for encountering life and light. It is our holy calling to celebrate alongside those for whom the darkness is being driven away.

However, the start of this year is clearly also a time to mourn alongside our neighbors who've lost so much. The sudden and unimaginable devastation of the Marshall Fire has left many with the immediate grief of losing homes, possessions, and plans for the future. Eventually this grief will give way to the long-term consequences of being severed from one's past along with the difficulty of trying to eke out a new future.

As the immediate needs of our neighbors are met, it will be tempting to give into the desire to want everything to go back to normal. Our initial shocked response will have done what it was meant to do, but our neighbors will still have a long road to hoe. So I would challenge all of us to consider how we can sustain our efforts in the longterm. We may need to advocate for people Planning Board meetings, or sit with neighbors in their frustration when their plans for rebuilding hit a snag. We may need to partner with PDA for rebuilding homes, or do the hard work of standing along-

side people as they sift through debris. We will mourn with neighbors as they mourn in order to have the right to rejoice with them when they find the strength to rejoice.

I know the heart and the determination of this family, so I believe that we can engage in this holy-albeit-difficult-work. I know that with the Spirit, we can be Christ's hands, feet, and heart for our neighbors in need.

In Christ, Eric

**Ask a friend to join you.**

You Have A Friend At Valmont!

**Worship at 10:30**  
**Sunday School 9:00**

3262 N. 61st Street,  
Boulder  
(61st Street & Valmont Road)

**303-442-2135**  
[www.ValmontChurch.org](http://www.ValmontChurch.org)

# Bulletin Board

## Elders:

*Mike Lahey*  
*Arion Shin*

*Ruth Tisdale*  
*Anne Harris-Cross*

## Clerk of Session:

*Joyce Glazer*

## Deacons:

*Cindy Sexton*  
*Claudette Walpole*

*Marilyn Howard*

## Treasurer:

*Ruth Lewis*

## Church Administrator:

*Ella Travis*

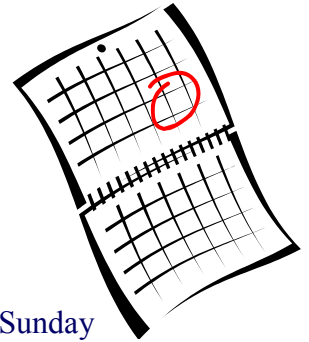
## Choir/Worship Director:

*Dr. Andrew Brown*

## Accompanist:

*Stella Pradeau*

## Calendar



1/2 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am

1/9 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am, Epiphany Sunday

1/10 - Deacons at 3:30pm

1/15 - Billy Howe's Memorial Service at 1:00pm

1/16 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am, Communion Sunday

1/18 - Session at 5:30pm

1/19 - Women's Association at 10:00am

1/23 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am

1/30 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am, Fifth Sunday

2/1 - Worship Team at 10:00am

2/6 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am

2/13 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am

2/14 - Deacons at 3:30pm

2/15 - Session at 5:30pm

2/20 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am, Communion Sunday

2/27 - Worship at 10:30am,  
Adult Ed. at 9:00am, Transfiguration Sunday

3/2 - Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm

## Pastor's Schedule:

Sunday: Worship

Monday - Thursday: In the office and responding to email

## Weekly Activities

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

Wednesday: Women's Association meets  
Third Wednesday (Sep-May) at 10 am

Session, third Tuesday at 5:30 pm

Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Wednesday: Choir, Soon

Every Thursday: Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Every Friday – Valmont Victors 8-10 pm

# Pig Roasts and Potlucks



## Peggy's Slow Cooker Beef Stroganoff

Great winter comfort food—Serves 6 to 8

### Ingredients:

- ♦ 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- ♦ 1 onion, chopped
- ♦ 1 Tbsp. Salt
- ♦ 1 tub (16 oz) sour cream
- \* 2 to 3 pounds beef tips or chuck roast
- \* 3 cloves garlic, minced
- \* 1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- \* 1 pound egg noodles
- \* 1 pound mushrooms, sliced
- \* 1 cup red wine or a Tbsp. of red-wine vinegar
- \* 1 tsp. ground coriander

### Preparation:

In skillet over medium heat, warm oil, add meat, cook until browned. Transfer to slow cooker. Add mushrooms, onion, garlic, wine salt, pepper, and coriander, plus water over meat and vegetables. Cover and cook on high for 6 to 8 hours; 30 minutes before it's done add sour cream. Stir until creamy. Noodles are added according to directions or al dente. **Enjoy**



## Potato and Pepper Sausage Bake from Tasteofhome.com

### Ingredients:

- ♦ 5 large Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes
- ♦ 1 large sweet orange pepper, sliced
- ♦ 1 shallot, chopped
- ♦ 1 tablespoon olive oil
- ♦ 3/4 teaspoon salt
- ♦ 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- ♦ Minced fresh thyme, optional
- \* 1 large sweet red pepper, sliced
- \* 4 garlic cloves, minced
- \* 2 teaspoons paprika
- \* 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- \* 1 package (19 ounces) Italian sausage links



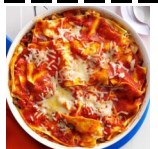
### Preparation:

Preheat oven to 400°. Place the potatoes, sweet peppers, shallot and garlic in a greased 15x10x1-in. baking pan. Drizzle with oil. Sprinkle with seasonings; toss to coat. Spread evenly over pan, leaving room for the sausage. Add sausage to pan. Bake, uncovered, until a thermometer inserted in sausage reads 160° and vegetables are tender, 30-35 minutes. If desired, sprinkle with fresh thyme before serving.

## Saucy Skillet Lasagna from Tasteofhome.com

### Ingredients:

- ♦ 1 pound ground beef
- ♦ 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- ♦ 1 package (9 ounces) no-cook lasagna noodles
- \* 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- \* 1-1/2 cups ricotta cheese
- \* 1 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese, optional
- \* 4 cups marinara sauce



### Preparation:

In a large skillet, cook beef over medium heat until no longer pink, 6-8 minutes; crumble beef; drain. Transfer to a large bowl; stir in tomatoes. In a small bowl, combine eggs and ricotta cheese. Return 1 cup meat mixture to the skillet; spread evenly. Layer with 1 cup ricotta mixture, 1-1/2 cups marinara sauce and half of the noodles, breaking noodles to fit as necessary. Repeat layers. Top with remaining marinara sauce. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 15-17 minutes or until noodles are tender. Remove from heat. If desired, sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Let stand 2 minutes or until cheese is melted.





## .Christmas caroling at church

### The Caring Card Ministry

Therefore encourage *and* comfort one another and build up one another, just as you are doing. 1Thess 5:13

After a long hiatus, the Deacons are pleased to announce that greeting cards will once again be available for people in the congregation to sign after church on selected Sundays.

As we seek to support one another during these trying times, please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to encourage one another.

Submitted by Claudette



### HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

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

**Please keep the ministry of Highlands in your prayers!!**

Blessings!! Ruth Lewis , Highlands Camp Committee





A quite but wonderful service the day after Christmas



**There are two donation centers that are being set up for fire victims**

Former salon  
375 McCaslin Blvd.  
Louisville CO 80027

Old Nordstrom  
21 W. Flatirons Crossing Dr.  
Broomfield CO 80021

### Needs List for Marshall/Boulder 2022

Shampoo Conditioner	Body Soap bar	Body Soap liquid	Tooth paste	New Toothbrush
Floss	New Combs	New Brushes	Straighteners	Lip Balm
Tweezers	Nail clippers	Nail Files	Cotton Balls	Eye drops
First Aid kits	Pillows	New Ace bandages	Gibson Kitchen Kits (order on line)	New Pots and Pans
Crock pots	Toasters	Flatware Plates,	bowls,	Coffee Makers
Knives	Ladles	Stirring spoons	Kitchen towels	New bath towels
Laundry Soap	Softener	Household cleaners	Laundry baskets	Diapers of all sizes
New bottles	New cribs	New car seats	New Blankets	New underwear of all sizes and types
New Bras	New socks	New shoes	New coats	New Clothing of all types

**Food items:** All non-perishable canned foods: Packages must be unopened

Mac and Cheese	Pasta	Pasta Sauce	Rice Peanut	Butter
All types of dry and canned beans		All types of canned fruits		Dry Cereal
Hot Cereal	Flour Sugar	Salt	Cooking Oils of all types	Tuna Fish
<b>Mixes:</b>	Pancake,	cake, muffin,	bread	
<b>Other:</b>	Brooms	Mops	Mop buckets	Trash cans
Rakes Shovels		Hoses	Saws	Hammers
Toilet Paper	Kleenex	Paper Plates,	bowls,	cups
School supplies/Backpacks				Plastic flatware
				Trash bags
				Screwdrivers
				Flash lights
				Paper Towels

### Items Not Accepted for Donation

Items not to be donated or collected Baby/Child equipment: Cribs & Car Seats cannot be accepted No Used Helmets No projectile releasing items: guns of any type and size, (we do not have the ability to do background checks on guns), bow and arrows No furniture—new furniture donations may be accepted at a separate site equipped to handle large items. Check back here for further details. No home processed canned foods All food packages must come unopened to us. No used underwear—must come in the original packaged unopened No prescription medication, except unopened/unexpired, over-the-counter items Personal Hygiene items: All items must have the manufacturer's seal intact. No used clothing, bedding or towels No used pots and pans



## Deacons' Basket

Thanks to the generosity of our congregation, 20 young people at TGTHR (formerly Attention Homes) had their Christmas brightened with gifts from VCPC.

The Deacons decided to send \$840 it to the Round Pantry designated to fill Mothers' Boxes.

Please let Marilyn, Claudette, or Cindy know of needs for Deacons to help with.



Thanks to everyone, we were able to donate 56 pairs of socks, 16 pairs of gloves, 23 hats and 2 neck scarves to The Lodge, part of Mother House.

Marilyn will be taking cookies (preferably home-baked, but store-bought work) to TGTHR the 2nd Monday of each month. If you wish to participate in this ministry, please bring your cookies to church the Sunday before the 2nd Monday, or at 2:30 Monday.

January-March, PDA

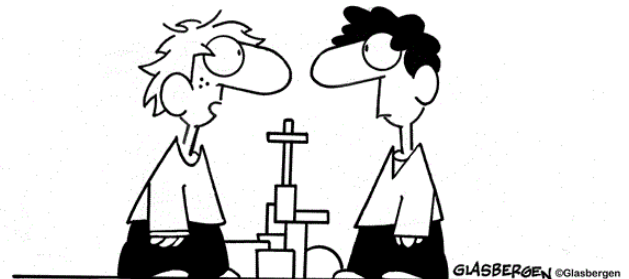
April-June, CYAK

July-September, School (which one will be decided later)

October-November 20—Operation Christmas Child

November 27-December 18—TGTHR (Formerly Attention Homes).

Cindy



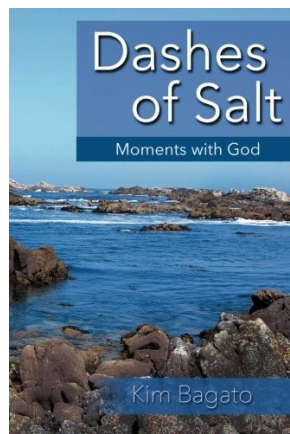
"I'm not sure what religion my family is.  
It's the one that forbids running with scissors.  
And eating before dinner is the worst sin."



The CARTOON KRONICLES

## Women's Association

When Women's Association meets again 10 a.m. Wednesday, the 3rd Wednesday in February, the 16th, and will be doing lesson 5, A Dash of Sea Salt. All women are invited to join us even if they don't have the study book. We will, of course, finish our meeting with a potluck luncheon.  
Blessing, Cindy



## Letters from Stella ...

### January 6

Dear Church Family-

Many of you know the recent fires that swept through Louisville and Superior, Colorado destroyed our neighborhood in a matter of hours. We had little warning and fled our home with very few things and the clothes on our back. We are so grateful that all of us were at home, Clara having just left her restaurant job down the road in a panic. She alerted us that the fire was very close and urged us to begin gathering what we could. It was terrifying and truly surreal.

We have been overwhelmed and humbled by the outpouring of love, support, food, care and physical items given to us. A special heartfelt thanks goes to our dear friends, Robert Farr and Linda Johnston, who immediately welcomed us into their home. Linda's text saying "you're welcome to come here" was the first thing I saw on my phone when we jumped in the car and started moving. And we didn't hesitate—where else to go? They comforted us, fed us and held us close. We'll never forget it. And the numerous others that have stepped up and reached out—we are so touched and thankful.

Our family is strong and we will be just fine. We have found temporary housing for the next three months and we plan to regroup, search our souls and have the conversations necessary to find our new future. We are in shock. I don't feel like we've even had the time to realize what has happened to us. Grieving will come. But we'll be stronger and closer. For sure, this whole thing stinks!! But as they say in French, "**La vie n'est pas un fleuve tranquille...**"



After much deliberation with Francois and the girls, we've decided to launch a Go Fund Me drive to help replace my piano that was lost. Please feel free to share with anyone you'd like. A piano is just an instrument made of wood and iron and strings, but my piano was a beautiful gift given to me by my loving parents so long ago. A young country girl growing up in southeast Arkansas playing Classical music—that's certainly not something that happens down there and my parents took pride in me and my love of music. It was an incredible gift of love and kindness. I will miss it.

Know that I think of every single one of you—not a one of you has not crossed my mind these past days. And my heart is so full of happiness that I have you in my life!

Love,  
Stella and Family



### January 9

I'm overcome with the gifts from my family at VCP, just can't believe the generosity and love. My new best friend is the puppy dog that Anne knitted: what name will I give him? I hope he was for me because I may have trouble sharing this adorable "stuffie." But if the girls are in need, I promise to be mature and share it. It's funny because with this craziness I've missed Scooter much more all of a sudden and have felt his absence. And the warm winter hats are welcome too. I have not felt inspired to "shop" for "stuff" and it's been darn cold lately. I'm blessed now to have a super chic hat—which one will I choose? They are all so beautiful.



## Eric's Preaching Schedule

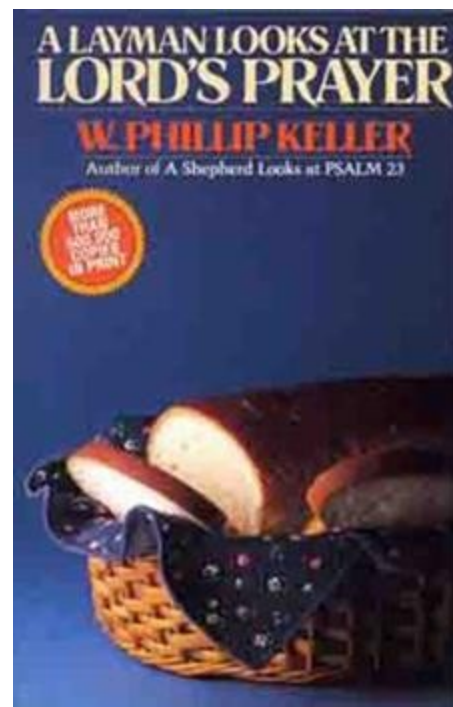
Date	Scripture	Sermon Title	Series	Church Calendar
January 9	Mark 1:1-14	Make Haste!	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	Epiphany Sunday
January 16	Mark 1:15-43	Keep It Secret. Keep It Safe.	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	Communion
January 23	Mark 2:1-12	Blasphemous Forgiveness	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	
January 30	Mark 2:13-28	Unlawful Justice	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	Fifth Sunday
February 6	Mark 3:1-19	<i>Hoi Polloi</i>	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	
February 13	Mark 3:20-35	Binding the Strong Man	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	
February 20	Mark 4:1-34	What the Kingdom of God Is Like	Mark: Misunderstanding & Ministry	Communion
February 27			[Guest Preacher]	Transfiguration Sunday

 We continue to hold  
 all those affected by  
 the Marshall Fire  
 up in our prayers.



### Adult Education

Throughout January and February, the Adult Ed. class will be looking at W. Phillip Keller's *A Layman Looks At the Lord's Prayer*. This little spiritual classic delves into the rich meaning behind each phrase of the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray, helping us to keep the prayer's power in mind whenever we pray it with one another. I hope you will join us in this study.



### 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 [mgreever53@gmail.com](mailto:mgreever53@gmail.com) or give to **Ella in the office**

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