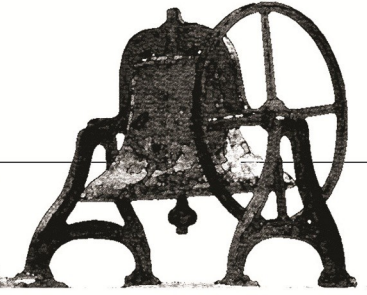


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Valmont



# VINTAGE

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## Valmont Community Presbyterian Church



### PNC Update

The Pastor Nominating Committee continues to meet on a regular basis to review new candidates that have come our way. To date we have received 57 Personal Discernment Profiles (PDP). Of those 57, 2 came to us outside of the Presbytery selection system. After the PNC reviewed the 57, we said “No” to 24 candidates who we felt did not meet our requirements. 33 we invited to apply and/or set up interviews. Of those 33 we have interviewed 6 candidates, 5 of whom have either declined or the PNC decided they were not the right candidate. 19 have declined our invitation to apply and 8 we are still waiting for a response to our invitation.

It is interesting to note that 16 of the 57 candidates were self

referrals. All of our interviews to date have come from self referrals.

The search continues! Our initial match by the Presbytery was December 18, 2024. We did our second match on February 18, 2025 and our third on April 24, 2025. The PNC has not found that one candidate that we can all say, “That’s the one!”

Please continue to pray for the PNC for our discernment of the information we are reviewing.

Please also pray that God will send us the perfect pastor for Valmont!

Steve C



**Ask a friend to join you.**

You Have A Friend At Valmont!

**Worship at 9:30**

**No Sunday School**

3262 N. 61st Street,  
Boulder

(61st Street & Valmont Road)

**303-442-2135**

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Our guest Pastor in May,  
Ashley Stelling, her husband Zach, and their dog  
Winston

# Bulletin Board

## Elders:

*Peggy Moore*                      *Pearline Toney*  
*Steve Clem*                        *Don Lewis*

## Clerk of Session:

*Joyce Glazier*

## Deacons:

*Debby Clem*                      *Debbie Greever*  
*John Olson*

## Treasurer:

*Ruth Lewis*

## Church Administrator:

*Ella Travis*

## Choir/Worship Director:

*Jack Harless*

## Accompanist:

*Stella Pradeau*

## Calendar

6/1 - Worship at 9:30am,  
 Potluck in the remembrance of Elaine Edmondson

6/8 - Worship at 9:30am,  
 PNC meeting at noon

6/12— Deacons meeting at 9:00 am

6/11—2nd Wednesday Sack lunch at 12:30 am

6/15 - Worship at 9:30am,

6/17—Session meeting at 10 am

6/22 - Worship at 9:30am,

6/29 - Worship at 9:30am,

7/6 - Worship at 9:30am

7/14—Deacons meeting at 9:00 am

7/9—2nd Wednesday Sack lunch at 12:30 am

7/13— Worship at 9:30am,

7/15—Session meeting at 10 am

7/20— Worship at 9:30am,

7/27 - Worship at 9:30am,

8/3 - Worship at 9:30am

8/10 - Worship at 9:30am

8/11—Deacons meeting at 9:00 am

8/13—2nd Wednesday Sack lunch at 12:30 am

8/17— Worship at 9:30am,

8/19—Session meeting at 10 am

8/24— Worship at 9:30am,

8/31 - Worship at 9:30am,



## Who's at the Church

Iglesia meets    Sunday            3-5 pm  
                           Tuesday            7 to 8 pm  
                           Thursday          7 to 8 pm

Rocky Mountain Chorale - Monday 6:30 to 9

PEO #1 - 2nd Monday Sept-May 12 -2 pm  
 Jun-Aug 9-12pm

PEO Mah Jonng 1st & 3rd Monday 1 to 3 pm

Zonta Foothills - 2nd Thursday 5:30 to 8 pm

Busy Bees—4th Tuesday 12 to 3 pm

Ukulele Group - Friday 6 to 8 pm

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

Session, Third Tuesday from 10 am to 1 pm

Deacons, Second Monday at                      9:00 am

Sack Lunch—Second Wednesday at 12:30 pm

Round Pantry Collection Delivery is on the  
 Second Monday



# Pig Roasts and Potlucks

## Strawberry Nut Salad From Debbie G.

### Ingredients

- ◆ 2 (3-oz.) pkg. strawberry Jello
- ◆ 1 cup boiling water
- ◆ 2 (10-oz.) pkg. strawberries thawed
- ◆ 1 (20-oz.) can crushed pineapple (drained)
- \* 3 medium bananas, mashed
- \* 1 c. walnuts, chopped
- \* 1 (16-oz.) pkg. sour cream



### Instructions

Dissolve Jello in water. Fold in strawberries, drained pineapple, bananas and nuts. Place 1/2 mixture in a 7 x 11? pan and refrigerate for 1 hour. until firm. Spread with sour cream and then the remaining 1/2 of mixture. Chill.



## Raspberry Trifle—from Allrecipes

### Ingredients

- ◆ 1 1/2 cups heavy cream
- ◆ 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- ◆ 1 (10.75 ounce) package prepared pound cake
- ◆ 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder, for dusting
- \* 1/4 cup white sugar
- \* 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- \* 2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
- \* 1/2 cup white sugar
- \* 2 (10 ounce) packages frozen raspberries,

### Instructions

1. In a medium bowl, beat cream with 1/4 cup sugar until stiff peaks form. In another bowl, cream together cream cheese, lemon juice, vanilla and 1/2 cup sugar. Fold 2 cups of whipped cream into cream cheese mixture. Reserve remaining whipped cream.
2. Slice pound cake into 18 - 1/2 inch slices. Drain raspberries, reserving juice. Line the bottom of a 3 quart glass bowl or trifle bowl with one-third of the cake slices. Drizzle with some raspberry juice. Spread one-fourth of the cream cheese mixture over cake. Sift one-fourth of the cocoa over that. Sprinkle with one-third of the raspberries. Repeat layers twice. Top with remaining cream cheese mixture, whipped cream and sifted cocoa. Cover and refrigerate 4 hours before serving.



## Bear A La Crockpot—I'm not sure

- ◆ 1 bear
- \* 200 lb. onions
- \* 200 lb. Potatoes
- \* 1 pinch of parsley
- \* 1 dash of chutney

Cube one bear and place in to a very, very large griddle. Cook until the meat is brown. Peel and cut up 200 pounds of potatoes. Saute 200 pounds of onions. Add all three ingredients together into a crockpot and stew for 30 hours. Season to taste. Serves over 100.



Debbie G. painting some trim.

### Spring Cleanup

We got a lot done around the church in time for Easter. Thank you for everyone who helps keep our church maintained.

Joyce, Steve, Patrick and Mike installed the window blinds after Easter.



Who is that man? Oh, it's Patrick doing some vacuuming.

### Women's Association

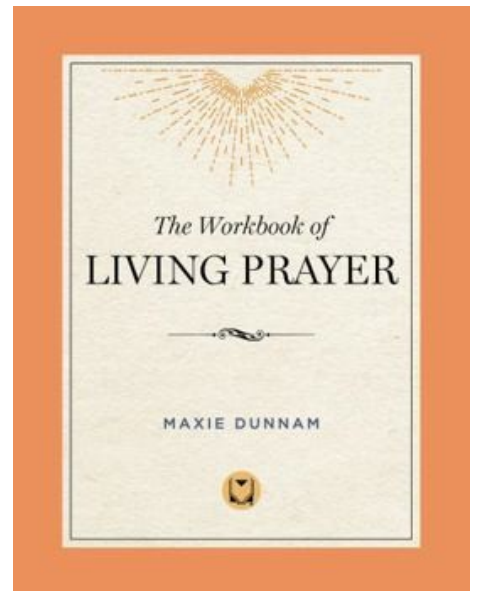
Women's Association at VCPC has paused meetings for the summer months. But we will be looking forward to resuming in September with anticipation. Where will our study take us next fall? We completed "The Workbook of Living Prayer" by Maxie Dunnam. As any Biblical based study, it challenged and inspired. We were asked to reflect and record what we learned, then practice through each day those points that bring prayer into a life of "living" prayer. I'm certain that this workbook will not be shelved but will continue to be a resource for our ladies.

Our outreach projects will continue next fall. We have plenty of fleece material for making blankets for Project Linus. Some of the ladies prefer quilting or sewing for their blankets. All kinds are welcome. Some of the ladies will continue to work on their blankets through the summer.

We will continue to support Crossroads School and Sarah's Home and Daniel's Academy in the fall and winter.

Through the summer Women's Association is there to help with our church potlucks, memorials, or any other event that comes up. Just let us know how we can help.

Submitted by Pres, Peggy Moore



## The Deacons' Corner—Submitted by Debby C.

*Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare... to give you a future and a hope."*



The Deacons continue to extend care and prayers to the Valmont congregation. Please let us know if you are aware of where we might be of help. Our prayers are with the dedicated members of the Pastoral Nominating Committee in their ongoing search for Valmont's next Pastor.

The basket in the back of the Sanctuary is always ready to receive food donations for the Round Pantry at Westview Presbyterian Church in Longmont. Cans of healthy (less sugar and salt) meat, fruit, vegetables, bagged rice and beans are much appreciated. Thanks to Lewis's and Greever's help delivering!

We wish to honor our many faithful volunteers who keep the church running so smoothly especially in this year of challenge without pastoral leadership, filling in beautifully with maintenance, technical help, bulletins, music, and all aspects of Sunday services, not to forget delicious coffee hour smorgasbords. Many thanks to our volunteer lay leaders and individuals who have taken the challenge to deliver a Sunday Sermon. You are amazing ~ we are much blessed!

The Deacons' "My Story" project is ongoing. We encourage everyone to give it a try. John Olson, Joy Keeter & Dave Purvis have launched us. Please let a Deacon know if you'd like a scribe or other help with the process of getting it down on paper. You'll find included in this Vintage: a list of ideas to stir your memory. Everyone has a story!

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### Jack and Jan Carlson

Mike and Debbie visited the Carlson's in Texas at the end of April. Jack turned 80 years old that month. Jack is confined to a wheelchair but enjoys games and TV. Jan works very hard to address Jack's every need.

## Clem's Journey "Down Under"

What was it like to spend a month on the other side of the world? For starters, we travelled 8390 miles, altitude 35,000 ft. at 546 mph. Far below the 787 Dreamliner jet lay the great Pacific Ocean with sporadic gems of islands glimpsed through passing clouds. The seat screen showed -67\* outside and the circular 'round-the-earth path we were flying. Seventeen hours later, the wind at our back, we dove down through towers of yellow-gray thunderheads to land at last in the country they say that "time forgot," Australia. It's a totally topsy turvy experience. We left as winter was turning to spring to find ourselves in summer turning to fall; we left a mile high to find ourselves at sea level. Sunday morning was Monday afternoon! Driving meant finding the steering wheel on the right and the traffic headed down the left of the road. As a pedestrian, look *right* first! Not to forget understanding intriguing variations on the King's English. Thus the adventure began!



A bit of background: In the late 1960s for five years, ages 13-17, Debby lived in Central Queensland in Rockhampton and then Blackwater where her mining engineer father worked to develop and eventually manage an open pit coal mine. School was at a Girls Grammar School before moving out bush to the small mining town in remote cattle country. This meant an hour-long bus ride to attend high school in Emerald. This year's trip was Steve and Debby's third return to renew friendships forged in the back country where lives are closely wound. Our 2020 (50th) Emerald High School reunion had been postponed for Covid, a dear friend had died, and none of us were getting any younger. It was time to return.

We began with a train ride for Kerry's memorial, a beautiful Anglican service followed by an Indigenous sending off in a camp deep in the bush lands of northern New South Wales. This was the beginning of trains and buses to various rendez-vous for coffee, lunch, dinner and overnights with old friends. It's always amazing to find friendships pick up heartily where you left off. We spent hours sharing school memories, retirement pursuits, and photos of grandchildren alongside exploring Brisbane, Sydney, and the Yarrow wine country east of Melbourne. When you find Mummulgum, Maroochydore, Wahganmuggalee, and Woolloomooloo townships you know you are Down Under.

For the second half of the trip, we headed off on our own to explore the Northern Territory (dodging Cyclone Alfred!) to Darwin, then by Ghan Train to the heart of the country, "The Red Center," Alice Springs and Uluru. The hinterlands are vast, empty and rugged beyond imagination and outback living still only for the heartiest of body, mind, and soul. In Alice, we visited the *The Royal Flying Doctor Service* and *The School of the Air* center; both profoundly improved the lives of the families subsisting in the outback including the Indigenous peoples. Mystical red soils and massive rock outcrops surrounded our inland journey and a sunset camel ride. The sacred lands of the Indigenous Pitjantjatjara and Yankunytjatjara peoples are respected and well-protected.



Out the train windows, we spied kangaroos, wallabies, a lone dingo, and many of the colorful cheeky Aussie birds - parrots, kookaburras, galahs and cockatoos. The eucalyptus trees such as the great white ghost gums are splendid though the shifting lights. The Australian animals are always fascinating. This trip included a close encounter with a Tasmanian devil, well-named with their small black bodies and wicked teeth, and a monster croc! The nonchalant three-toed koalas lounge in the gums in comical positions all day long with barely a twitch.

Homecoming we departed on a Wednesday at 8:05 am, to arrive at DFW the same day, ten minutes earlier! We returned time-lapsed and jet-lagged, yet feeling much blessed for the opportunity to spend a month with friends, the animals Noah forgot, and the land of Australia. Debby C.



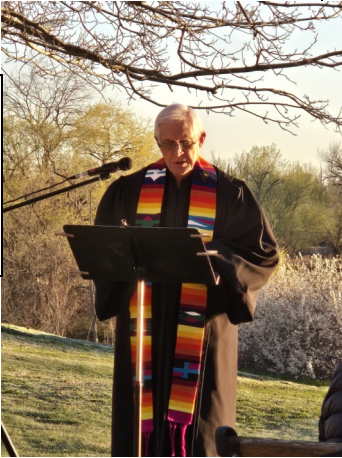
Pastor McQueen at 10:30 service

# Easter Sunrise

# He Has Risen



Pastor Stephen at sunrise service



Sunrise breakfast



Transformed Cross



Guest French Horn Player Suannah Greenslit

## “My Story” “ Exploring our personal life histories



1. When and where were you born? What was it like - the countryside? city? small town?
2. Who were your parents and what were their professions or work in the community you lived in?
3. Did you have siblings, relatives, cousins? near by?
4. Where did you go to school?
5. Tell about your early experience of church or your faith journey.
6. Were you involved in sports, music, art, other areas of interest and fun?
7. Did you go to work after high school, and where? Or, did you attend college, trade school, or other training?
8. Where was this and in what field?
9. What was your first job? Later jobs? Career? Were you in the military service? Or, the Peace Corps?
10. Did you marry? How did you meet your spouse & what was your wedding day like? Where did you live?
11. If you have children, tell about them.
12. What kind of music did you like to listen to as a kid or teenager? Favorite books?
13. What memorable events can you remember? People you met? Teachers who were special or influential.
14. Travel, adventures - U.S., country, world?
15. What advice would you give to a young person from your experience of life?

### BABY BLUES: By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



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and being Christ's witness to the world.*

### 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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