

Jan/Feb 2018

Valmont VINTAGE

CELEBRATING *150 years* OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS!



Valmont Community Presbyterian Church



Pastor Eric

*Where are you, God;
And where are you not?
In the work of human hands;
In absence of heart or thought?
I want to pay attention;
Seeing every move and deed.
Show me where your grace flows,
Teach me all that I should heed.
I long to pray without ceasing;
So my faith may finally be sight.
So why, dear Lord, do I look for you?
Why use a candle when all is light?*

A great poet, I am not. However, I find that composing these little devotional poems has become an integral aspect of my prayer life." . So frequently my

words and thoughts strain to be prayer, failing to name the deep yearnings of my heart. Often my attention is worn thin by the demands of the world, making it difficult to stay focused on what really matters.

Here is where the poem is helpful. Constraining myself to a simple rhyme structure forces me think critically about what I want to pray. Enforcing a cadence on my sentences keeps my thoughts sharp and forward-moving. Asking my prayer to be structured helps me to be attentive to the act of praying.

Why bring any of this up? Here we stand on the far side of Christmas, and some of us may feel more distracted than peaceful and tired than hopeful. Lent is coming dreadfully early (with Ash Wednesday coinciding with Valentine's Day) meaning that Easter isn't far behind (interestingly landing on April Fool's). It would be easy for us to keep up the break-neck pace of Christmas all the way to Easter, but is that what we want? Is that what the Lord requires of us?

I bring up poetry because I hope that we will allow ourselves some

time to slow down. I hope that we will pay attention to what God wants to work in us and around us. In order to do that, we need to discipline our thoughts, focus, and open ourselves to meet with the Lord.

I pray that we all allow ourselves rest in Christ, who loves us and gave himself up for us. May we focus our attention on him.

In Christ,
Eric

Ask a friend to join you.

You Have A Friend At Valmont!

Starting Sept 10:

Sunday School

9:00

Worship Service:

10:30

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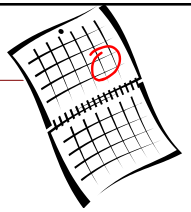
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Dr. Andrew Brown

Accompanist:

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Calendar



- 1/6 - Epiphany Begins
- 1/7 - Worship at 10:30am,
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 1/9 - Worship Team at 11:00am
Round Pantry at 2:00pm
- 1/14 - Worship at 10:30am
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 1/16 - Session at 5:45pm
- 1/18 - Deacons at 3:00pm
- 1/21 - Worship at 10:30am—Communion Sunday
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 1/23 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm
- 1/27 - Installation Service for Rev. Janet Kettering
at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
at 4:00pm
- 1/28 - Worship at 10:30am
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 2/4 - Worship at 10:30 am
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 2/6 - Worship Team at 11:00am
- 2/10 - Presbytery meets at Mountain View
Presbyterian Church in Loveland
- 2/11 - Worship at 10:30am
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 2/13 - Deacons at 10:30am,
Round Pantry at 2:00pm
- 2/14 - Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm
- 2/18 - Worship at 10:30am—Communion Sunday
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 2/20 - Session at 5:45pm
- 2/25 - Worship at 10:30am
Education Hour at 9:00am
- 2/27 - Round Pantry at 2:00pm

Weekly Activities

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

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

Art group meets 4th Tuesday at 9:30 am

Session, third Tuesday at 5:30 pm

Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Wednesday:

Yoga Class 9 am

Tremble Clef Choir 11 am

Choir starting soon!

Every Thursday: Iglesia meets 7-9 pm

Parkinson's yoga group 11:30-2:pm

Every Friday – Valmont Victors 8-10 pm



Delicious Ham and Potato Soup From Allrecipes.com

Prep: 20 min. Cook: 25 min. Ready in 45 min.

Ingredients:

- ♦ 3 1/2 cups peeled and diced potatoes
- ♦ 3/4 cup diced cooked ham
- ♦ 1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste
- ♦ 5 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- * 1/3 cup diced celery
- * 3 1/4 cups water
- * 1 tsp ground black pepper
- * 2 cups milk
- * 1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- * 2 tbl Vegetable bouillon
- * 5 tablespoons butter



Directions:

1. Combine the potatoes, celery, onion, ham and water in a stockpot. Bring to a boil, then cook over medium heat until potatoes are tender, about 10 to 15 minutes. Stir in the vegetable bouillon, salt and pepper.
2. In a separate saucepan, melt butter over medium-low heat. Whisk in flour with a fork, and cook, stirring constantly until thick, about 1 minute. Slowly stir in milk as not to allow lumps to form until all of the milk has been added. Continue stirring over medium-low heat until thick, 4 to 5 minutes.
3. Stir the milk mixture into the stockpot, and cook soup until heated through. Serve immediately.



Italian Sausage Soup From Allrecipes.com

Prep: 10 min. Cook: 40 min. Ready in 50 min.

Ingredients:

- ♦ 1 pound Italian sausage
- ♦ 1 (14.5 ounce) can Italian-style stewed tomatoes
- ♦ 1 (14.5 ounce) can great Northern beans, undrained
- ♦ 2 cups spinach - packed, rinsed and torn
- * 1 clove garlic, minced
- * 2 (14 ounce) cans beef broth
- * 1 cup sliced carrots
- * 2 small zucchini, cubed
- * 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- * 1/4 teaspoon salt



Directions:

1. In a stockpot or Dutch oven, brown sausage with garlic. Stir in broth, tomatoes and carrots, and season with salt and pepper. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer 15 minutes.
2. Stir in beans with liquid and zucchini. Cover, and simmer another 15 minutes, or until zucchini is tender.
3. Remove from heat, and add spinach. Replace lid allowing the heat from the soup to cook the spinach leaves. Soup is ready to serve after 5 minutes.

Butternut Squash Soup From Allrecipes.com Prep: 25 min. Cook: 45 min. Ready in 1 h, 10 min.

Ingredients:

- ♦ 2 tablespoons butter
- ♦ 1 medium carrot, chopped
- ♦ 1 medium butternut squash - peeled, seeded, and cubed
- * 1 small onion, chopped
- * 2 medium potatoes, cubed
- * 1 stalk celery, chopped
- * 1 (32 fluid oz) container vegetable stock
- * salt and freshly ground black pepper

Directions:

Melt the butter in a large pot, and cook the onion, celery, carrot, potatoes, and squash 5 minutes, or until lightly browned. Pour in enough of the chicken stock to cover vegetables. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover pot, and simmer 40 minutes, or until all vegetables are tender. Transfer the soup to a blender, and blend until smooth. Return to pot, and mix in any remaining stock to attain desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper.





Painting the Kitchen on December 30 and January 1 .

Anne, Dave H., Mike & Debbie G. & Ruth T. participated in the painting. Mike and Dave were quite the Michelangelo painting the ceiling.



RENOVATION ACTION COMMITTEE !

The kitchen is progressing ...

If you have questions, please contact Ruth Tisdale for more information. Thank you the RAC Committee - Marlene Brining, Debbie Greever, Cindy Sexton and Ruth Tisdale (Chairperson)





HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

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

The Highlands Annual Christmas Party was a great success with approximately 110 people in attendance! A total of \$15,586 was raised from the auction and donations.

The mortgage for the retreat center was refinanced in December allowing some cash out for several major maintenance projects which are planned for the coming year. The outside of the retreat center will be painted, the carpet in the lobby is to be replaced, the sand filter in the water treatment plant will be replaced and the decks on the retreat center will be repaired and reinforced.

Highlands has begun a search to hire a Director of Operations. It is hoped to have a person hired by April before the hectic summer schedule. This person would take charge of the day to day operation of the camp and give Maria time to work on development and programing.

2018 looks like it is going to be a great year for Highlands. There is already \$600,000 booked in rental business for the coming year. Also, a donor is going to provide a \$22,000 matching grant for debt reduction. This will be publicized to donors with the mailing for the Child Care Tax Credit and the information will also be included in the annual report to be issued in February.

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

Blessings!! Ruth Lewis, Highlands Camp Committee



Adult Study with Eric

There was a time when I actually baked two dozen muffins for the Adult Valmont Sunday School. Lately (has been for a number of years) one dozen is enough. I wish that were not so. I enjoy baking muffins for our class. I encourage you to join us every Sunday at 9:00 am to study with us. The class decided next week (Jan 14) we will look at the first 3 books of Nehemiah.

Please join us as we look at how this dedicated man helped rebuild Jerusalem after being destroyed by the Babylonians. – Don Lewis





Dalmont Community
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BOULDER, COLORADO



A place of witness to the glad tidings of God . . . a rallying point for the disciples of a great cause . . . a source of inspiration for those who have given themselves to Jesus Christ.

A Blast from the past!

Where were you in 1962 ... What were you doing and where were you in May 20, 1962. This is a copy of a bulletin from that day. This copy of the following bulletin was found by Joy and we thought it would be fun for all to see what was happening at the church 55 years ago. See if you can recognize any names in this bulletin. The bulletin's cover is to the left and pages 2 and 3 are below. The last page and insert is on the next page.

COMMON WORSHIP

14th Sunday after Easter May 20, 1962

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ORGAN PRELUDE

*HYMN 2 - For the Beauty of the Earth

*CALL TO WORSHIP and INVOCATION

#PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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RESPONSIVE READING - Selection 22, page 492

*GLORIA PATRI

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SCRIPTURE LESSON - Luke 10:23-37

#A LITANY: THE CHURCH

*HYMN 368 - My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY - *DOXOLOGY

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SERMON: "Things Seen and Heard"

Dr. J. Earl Jackman

*HYMN 433 - Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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* Congregation standing

See enclosed sheet

The CHURCH --- Its Life and Work

OUR GUEST PREACHER this morning is the Rev. J. Earl Jackman who is a Commissioner from Jersey City Presbytery, New Jersey to the 174th General Assembly of our denomination meeting in Denver. Dr. Jackman is Associate Secretary of the Board of National Missions administering the work of Sunday School Missions and Mobile Ministry with headquarters in New York City.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY POPULAR MEETING TONIGHT at the Denver Auditorium, 14th and Curtis with Dr. D.T. Niles of Ceylon as speaker and a massed choir of Denver churches singing. We have 20 seats reserved until 7:55 p.m. Because of the great interest in this meeting it is suggested that you arrive at the auditorium by 7:30 p.m.

YOUTH will not meet tonight. Next Sunday at 6:30 p.m. several youth from First Presbyterian Church will present slides and the account of their recent mission trip through the Southwest. We are inviting as guests the parents and other interested adults to attend this last meeting of the youth group.

During the summer the youth will meet about once a month as announced.

The Youth express their appreciation to the response given to the purchase of candy to assist some to go to Highlands Camp. There is yet four cans to be sold--which is available after service.

WOMEN. The Morning Circle, Mrs. Joy Keeter, chm. meets Wed. at 9:00 a.m. with Mrs. Frank Montgomery. The Evening Circle meets with Mrs. Yvonne Sexson at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IS CALLED FOR SUNDAY JUNE 3rd, 1962 at close of Common Worship.

Valmont Community United Presbyterian Church was organized on September 6, 1863 by the Rev. Alanson R. Day of Denver, in the log cabin home of Mrs. A. A. Brookfield, who lived near the Valmont Butte. This was 13 years before Colorado became a state on August 1, 1876.

On July 20, 1864, the Rev. Charles M. Campbell came to Valmont under the auspices of the Presbyterian Board of Domestic Missions. He helped haul the first stone and lumber for a church building, preaching the first sermon in it on March 18, 1865. The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, the famous missionary who helped establish numerous congregations in the West and Alaska, visited and helped our congregation in 1870.

In the 1860's, Valmont was a thriving frontier community. In this area, it competed for growth with the then small community of Boulder. Finally, after the town printing press and records were pirated off to Boulder, that city began to grow while Valmont decreased.

The original Church building was replaced by a larger structure, dedicated on July 19, 1881. It was enlarged and remodeled in the late nineties. The present Sunday Church School annex was constructed in 1942 and enlarged in 1954. The large east addition and basement were begun in 1957 and dedicated March 2, 1958.

Today, Valmont Church has the distinction of being one of the oldest protestant churches in the state of Colorado. Through our regular worship services and our Sunday Church School, Women's Association, Youth Fellowship and other organizations, the Church continues to grow. We are dedicated to bring the message of Jesus Christ to all people in a rapidly growing area. The doors of our Church are never locked; you are always welcome to join us in worship.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Minister	Theodore B. James, 2275 Nicholl St., HI 3-6212
Clerk of Session	Robert Christopher
Chairman of Trustees	Wilbur Gossert
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Caretaker	Mrs. Herman Harroun
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Moderator of Youth Fellowship	Robert Harford

SUNDAY SERVICES

Church School (classes for all ages)	9:45 a.m.
Common Worship	11:00 a.m.

A PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our Lord and Master--the sense of our shortcomings is quick within us, and we seek Thy pardon. But since we daily crave Thy mercy on our weakness, help us to show mercy to those who have grieved or angered us and to forgive them utterly. Suffer us not to cherish dark thoughts of resentment or revenge. So fill us with Thy abounding love and peace that no ill will may be left in our hearts as we turn to our rest.

Suffer us not to darken Thy world by lovelessness, but give us the power of the sons of God to bring in the reign of love among men. Amen

A LITANY: The Church

Lines underscored to be read by the group

O God the Father, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named; O God the Son, given to be head over the Church; O God the Holy Spirit, the bond of peace; O Holy Trinity, eternal love: Have mercy upon us.

By Thy ministry of healing and forgiveness; by Thy seeking and saving the lost; by Thy words of eternal life: Help us, good Lord.

By the calling and training of the twelve apostles; by Thy promise to build Thy Church; by Thy institution of the holy sacraments: Help us, good Lord.

By the love shown in Thy Crucifixion; by the power of Thy Resurrection; by the glory of Thy Ascension; and by the indwelling of Thy Holy Spirit: Help us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to strengthen and enlarge Thy holy Church in every land, and to unite all those who profess and call themselves Christians in faith and hope and charity: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That Thy Church may strive, not for its own safety, but for the world's salvation, seeking only Thy kingdom and Thy righteousness: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That Thou wilt grant to all ministers of Thy Word and sacraments the Spirit of wisdom, power, and love, and call many more to the work of Thy ministry: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That Thy Church may proclaim the Gospel throughout the whole earth and make disciples of all nations: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That Thou wilt give to all Thy people grace to understand and to believe Thy Word, and to show forth their faith in their lives: We beseech, Thee good Lord.

That we may reverently and rightly use Thy sacraments and be strengthened in body and soul by Thy heavenly grace: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That Thou wilt remove from us all hatred, prejudice, and narrowness of thought, that we may receive and rejoice in all that Thou revealest: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

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The original bell is in the court yard.

That Thou wilt guide us in all perplexities of belief and conduct, that we may hold fast that which is true, and faithfully confess Thee before men: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

That, regardless of the praise or contempt of the world, Thy Church may worship and adore Thee in spirit and in truth: We beseech Thee, good Lord.

As we pray for the Church Universal, we pray for God's blessing on the Church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation, and the young be inspired. Amen.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us; unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we humbly pray: Our Father, . . .

Additional Announcements of Activities

SESSION MEETING - Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Church. Note change of usual meeting day.

NEXT SUNDAY will be observed as Rural Life Sunday. Mr. Chuck Bliss, Boulder County Agricultural Agent, will be guest speaker. 4-H members will assist in the service.

BOULDER COUNCIL OF CHURCHES ANNUAL MEETING will be held Monday May 28th at the First Christian Church on 28th Street with dinner at 6:30 p.m. This open meeting is for all co-operating churches and its membership. Tickets for the dinner (\$1.25) are available from Mr. James. Make your reservations not later than Thursday (May 24).

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC. Begin now to make your family plans for the annual Church picnic on Sunday June 24th. The Fellowship Committee, Cliff Sexson, chairman, are making the plans for the day.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE of the Church will meet next Sunday, May 27th, following Church service for making nominations to the congregation of an elder to replace Robert Christopher (Class of 1963). Give your suggestions to Mr. Herman Harroun. The one requirement that must be observed, is that any person nominated must have been contacted personally and agreed to have his name presented prior to the meeting on Sunday June 3rd.

ORAL VACCINE FOR POLIO is being offered today and next Saturday for 25¢ donation to all people in the area. Consult your newspaper for places and details.

Eric's Preaching Schedule

Date	Primary & 2nd Text	Title	Series	Church Calendar
Jan 7	Deuteronomy 31:9-13 Hebrews 10:19-25	Gathering	The Story of Worship	Epiphany
Jan 14	Psalms 19:7-14 Luke 4:14-30	The Word	The Story of Worship	
Jan 21	Psalms 126:1-6 Mark 14:17-26	Communion	The Story of Worship	Communion
Jan 28	Genesis 12:1-5 Matthew 28:16-20	Sending	The Story of Worship	
Feb 4	Mark 1:29-39	I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For		
Feb 11	Mark 9:2-29	Help My Unbelief		Transfiguration
Feb 18	Lamentation 1:1—2:22	No Comfort	Lamentations	First Sunday of Lent
Feb 25	Lamentation 3:1-66	Who is Strong?	Lamentations	Communion

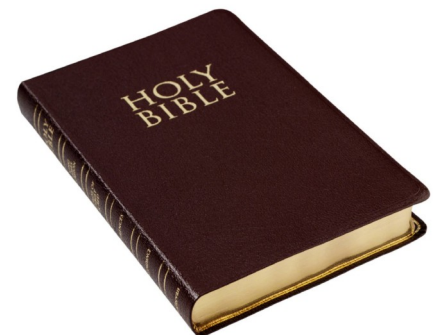
Adult Sunday School

Adversity. Partnership. Prayer.

These are a few of the themes from the book of Nehemiah, which we'll be studying in our adult ed class for the next several weeks. The book is situated within Israel's history as the exile is coming to an end. Under the orders of Cyrus of Persia, the Jews were allowed to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple; however, without city walls, they found themselves in a precarious situation. Nehemiah — a Jew who'd ascended the ranks of the Persian Empire — feels God calling him to return to his homeland to fortify Jerusalem for the sake of the Lord's Temple. Although, getting permission to rebuild the city proves to be the least of his obstacles.

Please join us for this study of what it looks like to respond faithfully to God's call on our lives even in the face of adversity.

1/14 - Nehemiah 1-3
1/21 - Nehemiah 4-6
1/28 - Nehemiah 7-10
2/4 - Nehemiah 11-13



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**
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