



# MILLIKEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## JULY, 2020

### SONSHINE NEWS

Greetings to one and all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
Grace and Peace to you.

It is good to be amongst you and to follow the call God has for all of us in this journey that lays ahead of us. We are called to follow God's leading in all things.

As I think about the months ahead for us all, I am reminded of passages in Isaiah 43. In reality, I am reminded of many passages, assurances, and promises that are found in our Scriptures. But at this moment in time, I am engulfed by Isaiah and the wisdom he shared with Israel, and to us.

In this part of his writings, Isaiah shares with us the words that God is telling His people. In verses 1 – 3a, we find the assurances that God is with us, has claimed us as His own, and He is making the way ahead for us. As you continue to read the passage, we read more about what God is doing for His people. And then we come to the one that strikes me the most relevant and has been upper most in my thoughts: “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”

Powerful words. And a powerful message as we move through this Interim time together. God is leading you all into a new future with a new pastor to lead you. It is my privilege to share this part of the journey with you, as you all work together, pray together, study together, and seek God's guidance for the “new thing” ahead. Isaiah reminds us that God is already making the way before us.

In the coming weeks and months, I look forward to helping you all celebrate and recognize the wonderful ministry you have been doing. We will take a close look at these ministries and seek God's help in how they will look in the future. We will take a look at how the church does things together within its walls. Granted, this part is a little more difficult right now given current social and health circumstances.

We will talk about expectations, relationships, community, leadership, programs, policies, members, friends, neighbors, and most importantly - God's role in our faith, our congregation, our community, and our ministry.

Sound like a lot? Well, it is in some ways. However, none of it is insurmountable or arbitrary. As we seek God's leading during the days, let us embrace Isaiah's words for us: “See, I AM doing a new thing! I AM making a way...” May God bless us in the wilderness, by the streams, and in our service to God and one another.

Pastor Jan

## **An Update from Worship Committee**

We had our first parking lot service on 6/21/20 and it went well. We had about 50 people there and a few on Zoom. We are going to try and keep the Zoom option up and running for those members who would like to take advantage of that.

## **An Update from Session**

### **Get to know Pastor Jan...**

Pastor Jan would love to get to know all of us, but our current circumstances makes that a challenge. Despite that challenge, Pastor Jan invites you to help her get to know you and your family!

Give her a Skype call!

Skype id: jsbrooks13

If you are more comfortable with Zoom, we can help you make that happen, too!

Friend her on Facebook!

Her current picture is a moose in a pond.

Send her a text message or give her a call!

316-253-3367

Send her an email!

[ncc50446jb13@gmail.com](mailto:ncc50446jb13@gmail.com)

Stop by the house!

Please wear your mask.

Or come up with some other creative way to help Pastor Jan get to know you and your family!

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## Sunday Parking Lot Service

*We will continue with parking lot services until further notice.* However, due to the warming temperatures, ***Sunday services will be at 8:30 am.***

The Worship Committee and COVID-19 Task Force ask that we ***continue to follow the same plan:***

Enter the parking lot through the circle drive coming in on the Northeast entrance.

A member of the COVID-19 Task Force will be at the church doors wearing a mask and gloves to hand out bulletins.

If you have an offering, you can give it to that person at that time.

There will not be an offering during the service. However, you can continue mailing your offering if that is your preference.

From there, you will be directed to a parking spot.

***Please plan to arrive 10-15 minutes early to allow time for parking.***

Remain in your car throughout the service.

Those involved in the service will have a microphone and there will be a number of speakers throughout the parking lot so that everyone should be able to hear the service and participate.

Once the service is over, cars will be directed out of the parking lot on the southeast end of the parking lot.

Note:

The building will remain closed and there will not be access to the bathrooms.

The service will last 30-40 minutes.

There will not be fellowship before or after the service.

We hope to ***see*** you on Sunday mornings, but the Worship Team will continue to experiment with Zoom as an option for those that cannot attend in person. There will not be fellowship time beforehand, but the Zoom meeting will open at 8 am so that it can be tested out before the service begins at 8:30. The Zoom meeting login information is below.

Day	Time	Meeting Description	Zoom Meeting ID
Sundays	8:00AM 8:30 AM	meeting will open service will begin	586-237-7213 password: 80543

## Prayer and Praise

To place items on Prayer Chain: call Becky Selby, 587-2574 or send to MPCprayer@aol.com. Please keep these folks in your prayers and add those that we may not be aware of!

### Prayer for Church Missions/Connections/Military

- ♥ Heather – Please continue to pray for the Teachers and schools
- ♥ Jan Carlson – Prayers for Chris Ehrlick. He is back in the states stationed in Texas.
- ♥ For Our Nation for Healing as we face this pandemic and unrest.
- ♥ Prayers for Church as we are socially distanced from each other and move through the phases of worshiping together.
- ♥ Sunday School, Kids Hope, PB&J, Kairos, Food Pantry, Sudan Ministries & Arok (orphanage)
- ♥ Parents Who Need Parents (were meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month)
- ♥ Missionary Families & Friends, George and Gail McBane—Pray for Pakistan

### Praise!!

- ♥ We welcome our new interim, Pastor Jan Brooks. Praise You, Lord!
- ♥ Karen Hamlin home from hospital after her stroke and is recovering nicely
- ♥ Praise that Max and Sharon Morgan's friend, Dannie, traveled to Houston for a successful heart valve replacement and is now recovering at home
- ♥ Praise and prayer Keith Uttecht, home from the hospital and feeling better
- ♥ Praise that Sheri Keohane and her family are about to move into their new home. Prayers that Habitat stops changing the move in date.
- ♥ Prayers for Ashley and Aaron Edison as they start their married life together!

### Pray for Surgery/Recovery/Illness/Accident/Family Needs:

- ♥ Pray for a speedy recovery for Linda Keohane after surgery last week.
- ♥ Bob Fields had back surgery, June 23, and was being released the morning after. Please pray for good healing and relief of pain.
- ♥ Continued prayers for Jennifer Bailey as she continues chemo treatments
- ♥ Prayers for Kathi, Abel and Mateos Ramirez.
- ♥ Lois Ann Onorato – Continue prayers for health and healing
- ♥ Jan Carlson – Hannah Ehrlick – Pray for strength
- ♥ John Scarlett – Continued prayers for health and healing after treatment
- ♥ Sara Hall – continued prayer for Leslie Arnold's battle with cancer



## Pray for those Grieving:

- ♥ Prayers for Sharon and Max Morgan – they traveled to Texas a couple of weeks ago for her cousin, Ron's daughter's wedding. We have been praying for him for a long time as he battled cancer. He traveled to Fort Worth but ended up in the hospital with pneumonia and unable to attend the wedding. He passed away Friday 6/19, funeral is in Oklahoma. Sharon and Max extended their trip to be there. Please pray for their family as they grieve and travel home. Ron's wife is Rhonda.
- ♥ Prayers for Phyllis Nelson and all of his family as they continue to grieve the loss of Charlie



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## Milliken Community Pantry



**Especially In Need Of Soups, Canned Fruit,  
Tomato Products, Tuna, and Mac and Cheese**

### Regularly Needed Items:

**Cereal**

**Canned Soups (not so much on Tomato)**

**Canned Vegetables**

**Tomato Paste**

**Pasta Sauce**

**Canned Fruit (especially Mandarin Oranges, Fruit Cocktail)**

**Tomato Products – Diced, Stewed, Whole, and Sauce**

**Canned Beans (especially pinto and refried)**

**Spam**

**Lard**

**Toothpaste, shampoo, soaps, personal hygiene items**

**Monetary donations may be given to Milliken Presbyterian Church  
Earmarked for the Food Pantry**

**Thank You For Your Support!**

# July 2020

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

			1 Zoom Fellowship 7 pm
5 Parking lot Service 8:30 am	6 Food Pantry 12-2	7	8 Food Pantry 4-6 Zoom Fellowship 7 pm
12 Parking lot Service 8:30 am	13	14 Session 7-8 pm	15 Zoom Fellowship 7 pm
19 Parking lot Service 8:30 am	20 Food Pantry 12-2 Newsletter Items Due	21 Worship Committee 6:30	22 Food Pantry 4-6 Zoom Fellowship 7 pm
26 Parking lot Service 8:30 am	27	28 Session 7-8 pm	29 Christian Ed 6:30 pm Zoom Fellowship 7 pm

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Thursday

Friday

Saturday

2 Youth Zoom Fellowship 7 pm	3	4
9 Trustees 6:30 pm Youth Zoom Fellowship 7 pm	10 Women's Group Zoom mtg	11
16 Youth Zoom Fellowship 7 pm	17	18
23 Youth Zoom Fellowship 7 pm	24	25

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# July Birthdays

Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday  
To You!!  
May Jesus Walk  
With You  
The Whole Year  
Through!!

9th	Chris Ehrlick
9th	Kelly Myers
10th	Eric Smith
13th	Brad Gilmer
14th	Max Morgan
14th	Lori Vandiveer Snide
15th	LeeAnn Young
18th	Eric Melichar
23rd	Heather Farquhar
24th	Ron Brown
25th	John Scarlett
25th	Ginell Stroh
27th	Richard Wakeman
28th	Marilyn Schneider
31st	Jo Keller



Do to the Sun shinning  
so hot  
we have moved the  
parking lot services  
to 8:30 am.

## **Drive By Housewarming!!**

**Sunday, July 12th**

**Following Worship**

**Sherri Keohane and family are moving soon into their new home at the corner of Ethel Avenue and Elm St. We want to give them a hardy welcome. Meet following worship at the TBK Bank Parking Lot. Gifts are not necessary but if you would like to, gift cards from Lowe's, King Soopers, WalMart and Target will be useful. Decorate your car as you wish at the bank parking lot. We will make any final announcements that morning at worship. Join us to welcome Sherri, Sarai, Michael, Gabby and Naomi into their new home!!**



## Hay's Grocery Receipts And Boxtops for Education

**Your Hay's grocery receipts and boxtops count!**  
Please keep saving them and mail them into the Church!!

**The church will benefit from your receipts  
And MES will benefit from your boxtops!**

## Youth Group Fundraising ~ King Soopers Cards

Keep spending at King Soopers.  
We get 5% of what you spend.  
Thank you all so much for helping



**Office News - Sonshine News Items Are Due - July 20th** - If you are chair or secretary for any activity in the church, please try to give us something for the newsletter! We try to have the newsletter ready to hand out the last Sunday of the month so everyone has the next months calendar in time to plan on coming to the events we have. Please send your information to Jan by the due date to [janisdcarlson@gmail.com](mailto:janisdcarlson@gmail.com) and please put "newsletter" in the memo line.

If you have questions, call Jan at 970-352-6467 work or 970-396-4174 cell.

**Office Hours** - Pastor John - Monday and Tuesday 9 am - 4:30 pm or by appointment; Samantha, Church Administrative Assistant, Mon.-Thur. 8 am - 1 pm

**Session**

**Deacons**

**Trustees**

Clerk ~Heather Farquhar  
Vicky Gilmer 2020  
Jo Keller 2020  
Bill Selby 2020  
Sara Hall, 2021  
Wendy Fields, 2021  
Peggy Wakeman, 2022

Chair ~ Doris Fields, 2022  
Mary Pat Crites 2020  
Linda Daly 2020  
Kellyn Wortman 2021  
Jan Carlson 2021  
Donna Herman, 2022  
LeeAnn Young, 2022

Chair ~ Todd Selby 2020  
John Scarlett 2020  
Chase Slyter, 2021  
Ron Uttecht, 2021  
Max Morgan, 2022  
Dave Fields, 2022  
Becky Hook, 2022

**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Rev. Janet Brooks ~ Interim pastor

[pastor@millikenpres.org](mailto:pastor@millikenpres.org)

Alexis Kennedy ~ working from home