

Crossroads Outpost

Lamoille, Nevada



Lamoille Community Presbyterian Church

Our Vision

We stand together at the crossroads where God's powerful love compels us to worship Him fully, follow Jesus daily, and live in the Spirit joyfully.

Our Mission

Our mission is to pursue this vision with commitment, character, and in community.



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP



2023

A powerful witness

St. Ignatius of Antioch was a bishop and martyr in the early years of Christianity, well known for his extensive writing about Christ and the church. On his journey to martyrdom in the early second century, he wrote letters to the Christian communities of the time that are still instructive today.

On November 1 we celebrate All Saints' Day, remembering all who have died in faith, as well as particular models of strong faith whom the church has named "saints." Especially inspiring — and challenging — are these words of Ignatius, written near the end of his life: "I prefer death in Christ Jesus to power over the farthest limits of the earth. He who died in place of us is the one object of my quest. He who rose for our sakes is my one desire."

Bounty of thanks



We thank thee, Lord, for the glory of the late days and the excellent face of thy sun. We thank thee for good news received. We thank thee for the pleasures we have enjoyed and for those we have been able to confer.

And now, when the clouds gather and the rain impends over the forest and our house, permit us not to be cast down; let us not lose the savor of past mercies and past pleasures; but, like the voice of a bird singing in the rain, let grateful memory survive in the hour of darkness. If there be in front of us any painful duty, strengthen us with the grace of courage; if any act of mercy, teach us tenderness and patience.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

Grateful for grace

In this oneness, Jesus Christ is the Mediator, the Reconciler, between God and man. Thus he comes forward to man on behalf of God, calling for and awakening faith, love and hope, and to God on behalf of man, representing man, making satisfaction and interceding. Thus he attests and guarantees to God's free grace and at the same time attests and guarantees to God man's free gratitude.

—Karl Barth, *The Humanity of God*

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CHURCH HAPPENINGS



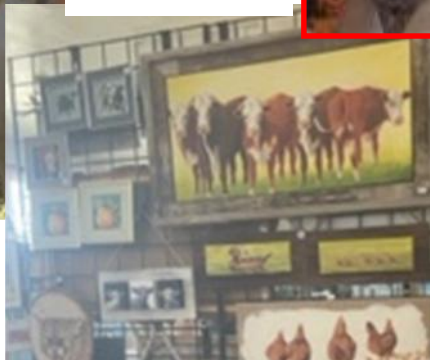
Harvest Festival was a success again this year. The weather was perfect again. Thank You to all those that helped. Your help was much appreciated.



Left-Kim & Suzann in charge of the Church Booth & to the right is Emaleigh Porter & her girls.



Several of the booths & of course we can't leave out our 4-H animals.



Our 4-H animals were a success with the young & old alike.



Matt's Home-made Jam was a huge success. Thank you Matt.





Thank you all that helped in the Highway Clean-up once again.

Todd & Nancy Pehrson, Gerry, Kathy, Rick, Organizer Jamie, Birthday Boy Bruce, and Jan & Jim.

Christian symbol



ROCK — We call Christ "the Solid Rock," remembering his parable about the wise and foolish builders (Matthew 7:24). Jesus changed his disciple Simon's name to Peter,

meaning rock, saying he'd build his church "on this rock" (Matthew 16:18). Although some Christians understand Peter to be the rock-foundation of Christ's church, others interpret the foundation as faith in Christ, which, Jesus said, was revealed to Peter by God.



Take time to recharge

"Then Jesus said, 'Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile.' He said this because there were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his apostles didn't even have time to eat" (Mark 6:31, NLT). Can you relate? Especially during the holidays, we're "coming and going" so much that we often run out of steam.

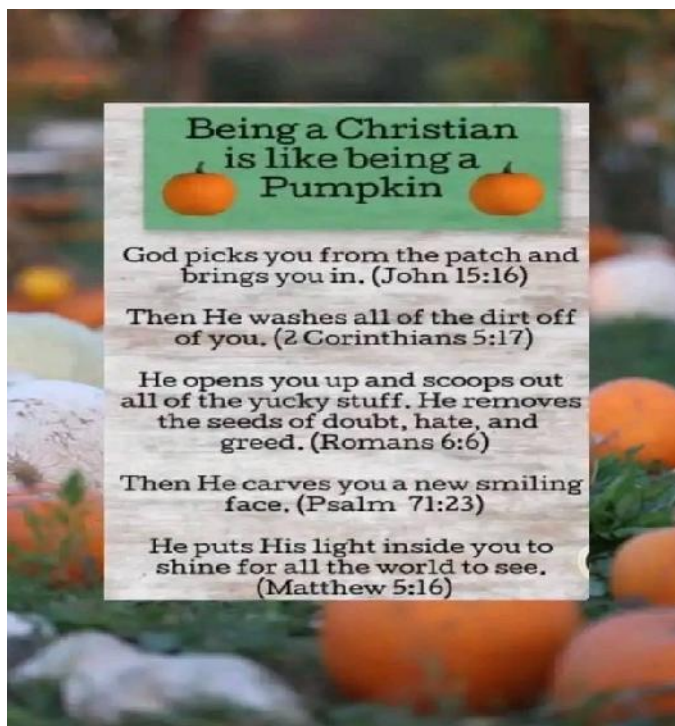
As an introvert, I learned an important lesson while navigating a busy graduation season for my son. I was happy to host a celebration for family and friends, but about 20 minutes into the party, fatigue clouded my spirit. My social battery was empty and desperately needed charging.

I sought out my cousin — who "gets" me — and admitted I needed a break. He kindly replied, "Then go into another room and just be. We've got things covered." I was heard and assured that it was okay to press pause. Even Jesus and his disciples sought privacy and rest.

In what ways do you need a break today? Even if you're an extrovert, how can you care for your whole self during the holiday rush? Pay attention and give yourself permission to proactively recharge your battery.

—Janna Firestone

Don't forget the dead line for your Christmas Shoe Box~ November 19th.



Ascending thanks

Thy mighty hand o'er all the land
hath still been open to bestow
those blessings which our wants demand
from heaven, whence all blessings flow.

Thou hast, with ever watchful eye,
looked down on us with holy care,
and from thy storehouse in the sky
hast scattered plenty everywhere.

Then lift we up our songs of praise
to thee, O Father, good and kind;
to thee we consecrate our days;
be thine the temple of each mind.

With incense sweet our thanks ascend;
before thy works our powers fall;
though we should strive years without end,
we could not thank thee for them all.

—Excerpts from "A Thanksgiving Poem,"
Paul Laurence Dunbar

As we start our day off, let us think about doing these things.

1. Compliment three people every day.
2. Watch a sunrise at least once a year.
3. Be the first to say, "Hello."
4. Live beneath your means.
5. Treat everyone like you want to be "treated"
6. Never give up on anybody. Miracles happen.
7. Forget the Joneses.
8. Never deprive someone of hops. It may be all he has.
9. Pray not for things, but for wisdom and courage.
10. Be tough-minded but tenderhearted.
11. Be kinder than necessary.
12. Don't forget, a person's greatest emotional need, is to feel appreciated.
13. Keep your promises.
14. Learn to show cheerfulness, even when you don't feel like it.
15. Remember that overnight success usually takes about 15 years.
16. Leave everything better than you found it.
17. Remember that winners do what losers don't want to do.
18. when you arrive at your job in the morning, let the first thing you say brighten everyone's day.
19. Don't rain on other people's parades.
20. Never waste an opportunity to tell someone you love them.

"Give thanks for unknown blessings already on their way."

—Native American saying

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"On Thanksgiving Day we acknowledge our dependence."

—William Jennings Bryan

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"People will accept your ideas much more readily if you tell them Benjamin Franklin said it first."

—David H. Comins

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"A rose is not its thorns, a peach is not its fuzz, and a human being is not his or her crankiness."

—Lisa Kogan



What's your November?

For Davey Blackburn, a pastor in Indiana, one particular month has brought "the highest of highs and the lowest of lows." He was born in November, moved to a new church in November 2011 and learned he'd be a father in November 2013. But two years later, in November 2015, Blackburn's wife and unborn second child were murdered during a home invasion.

Despite that painful tragedy, the pastor determined not to "let the enemy have a claim over November" or "steal the many beautiful memories I once held" about it. Since then, his church's worship team recorded an album one November, he proposed to his second wife another November, launched a new ministry one November and welcomed another child the following November.

That journey, Blackburn says, is evidence of God's faithfulness to replace a spirit of despair with a garment of praise (see Isaiah 61:3). And it's an important reminder for the holiday season, with all its memories and traditions. Just as God wants to heal and restore, Blackburn writes, "Your [deceased] loved one would not want your 'November' to haunt your memory forever."

Blackburn, author of the forthcoming book *Nothing Is Wasted*, says everyone has a November but can choose what to do with it. Instead of letting your November haunt, you can let God use it to heal.

—Stephanie Martin



November 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 ALL SAINTS' DAY	2 Henry Land (B)	3	4 Jennifer & Mark (A)
5 <i>Rick Glass</i>	6	7	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED
12 <i>Joel Jund</i> Pete Plaster (B)	13	14	15 Jeanice Jensen	16	17	18
19 <i>Kevin D.</i> Carl Sarman (B) Trent Garcia (B)	20	21	22	THANKSGIVING DAY 	24 Jan Connelley (B)	25
26 <i>Tom Finch</i> CHRIST THE KING 55 30 00 04 14 Y	27	28	29 Gary Mann (B)	30		

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Thanksgiving humor

Need to lighten the mood at your holiday dinner table? Share some laughter with these Thanksgiving-themed jokes.

Why did the turkey decline dessert?
Because it was stuffed.

Why did the turkey cross the road twice?
To prove he wasn't a chicken.

What smells the best at Thanksgiving dinner?
Your nose.

Why didn't the chef season the turkey?
There wasn't enough thyme.

Why did the turkey leave the band?
People were fighting over the drumsticks.



Dr. Sheldon takes advantage of his congregation's lack of knowledge of the Greek language.