

**St. Timothy's Chapel**  
**Report to Yellowstone Presbytery**  
**November, 2015**

The Chapel Committee met on September 26, 2015 at the Chapel. The committee reviewed the highlights of the 2015, the most significant of which was the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Our guest preacher for the celebration was Rev. Dr. Thomas Long, Bandy Professor of preaching at the Chandler School of Theology within Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. 102 worshippers were present to hear his sermon titled "The Power of a Glimpse". The Celebration concluded with a concert "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass" performed by Dolce Canto and Monroe Crossing. Attendance at the concert was 206 which was a new attendance record.

Major items of discussion and decisions at the September meeting were:

- The new road around the Chapel has been completed and we have received approval to reclaim a portion of the old road that is located in front of the Chapel. ARCO has agreed to reclaim the old road and Ron and our architect will meet with the ARCO engineer on October 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the reclamation plan.
- Attendance at the 12 worship services was 426. This is down slightly from 2014 (434). However, the attendance at the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (102) masked the reduction. Giving was down \$4,600 but several restricted gifts in 2014 account for the difference.
- The committee decided to go ahead with the construction of the Columbarium. A gift to cover the cost has been promised.
- The committee decided to remove the Mine Office building. Ron will work on finding someone to do that work. It is hoped that the salvaged materials would cover most of the cost of removal.
- The committee approved the re-keying of the chapel. After 50 years and making copies of copied keys many of the keys do not work satisfactorily. The cost was \$397 and the re-keying has been accomplished.
- There were 14 weddings held during 2015 and so far 4 have been scheduled for 2016.
- The committee voted to have 13 worship services in 2016. This is an increase of 1 and will cover the entire month of August.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2016 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Anaconda. This will be a Joint meeting with the Chapel's Music Committee.

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Moderator  
St. Timothy's Chapel Committee