

In Memoriam

Grace and Bob Holding were key pillars of the Community Presbyterian Church of Crestline. Bob died in March and Grace died in August. Bob recalls helping the pastor at Crestline (who served the church for 23 years) clean out his tool shed when he first arrived. Bob said something like, "Clark [Fischer!], you got be willing to give that away."

When Clark and Claudia left in 1991, Bob and Grace stepped up and helped the church find Pat Stout, Tom Duggan, Tom Rennard and Bruce Myers. Grace moderated Deacons and Bob served on Session. Bob was the kind of guy who would teach the "flat-lander" pastor how to put their tire chains on their cars for the drive up the hill. He was a go to guy for all things property and mechanical.

In addition to their service, at CPCC Bob and Grace would volunteer at First Baptist's Vacation Bible School and for many years ran the annual Memorial Day Service at the community lodge. Bob and Grace were also active in the Community Bible Study and led a study throughout the year from Running Springs to Cedar Pines Park. When it came time to close, Bob and Grace respectfully came to the presbytery and said, "it's time." They united with Lake Arrowhead Community Presbyterian Church once Crestline closed but were active at Grace's daughter's church, Centerpoint, Colton, where their memorial services were held.

Bob and Grace were legends in their part of the mountain and will be sorely missed. Praise God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, their Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer for Bob and Grace!