Rinn Newsletter 11/20/25-11/26/25

From the Minister's Mac

"Stewardship"

We are wrapping up our very low-key Stewardship Campaign this Sunday. I call it "low-key" because we really don't focus on calling everyone and asking for more money, as many churches do. We simply provide pledge cards for you to fill out and turn in, and I occasionally say a few words about it, like here, where I encourage you to prayerfully consider how you might not only increase your financial giving, but also consider how you might better serve your church and community in the coming year. The following is a list of ways you might increase your stewardship. Pick one that you haven't tried before — or feel you could do better than you have in the past — and commit yourself to that in 2026.

TURN IN A PLEDGE CARD

Maybe you've never filled out a pledge card before. Here's a chance to experience that and see what happens! The amount you pledge is between you and God, so talk to God about it, come to a faithful decision, and feel joyful about what you are giving, rather than guilty about what you are NOT giving. You can put your pledge card in the offering plate or in the collection box in the narthex, where it will be kept private and given to our Financial Secretary. You may turn in your pledge card at any time. No one but our Financial Secretary will see your pledge and no one will come hunting you down if, for any reason, you cannot maintain the level of giving you pledged.

JOIN A MINISTRY TEAM

There is a list of ministry opportunities on your pledge card that is by no means all inclusive. If you don't see something on the pledge card that interests you, come talk to me and we'll find a way for you to plug in. Kid's Hope, Noah's Community Outreach, Carbon Valley Help Center, United Women in Faith, weekly Bible Study, Cowboy Fellowship, the annual Pig Roast... there's a lot going on at Rinn and you should definitely be part of it!

CELEBRATE GOD IN WORSHIP

We've got a lot going on in worship these days. Join the choir, be a liturgist, give the children's message, be a greeter, sign up to bring snacks for after worship. Come and see how we are loving the Lord!

WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN

We have several children attending our church who would love to get to know you better in Sunday School. Volunteer to help teach one Sunday a month. We are also looking to the future when our kids outgrow Sunday School and would like an active Youth Group. We are looking for a few active adults who would like to restart our Youth program, or even reinvent it.

ATTEND A SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

We provide several opportunities for special worship or get-togethers, some of them coming up soon:

Sunday 11/23 Hanging of the Greens. Stay after worship and help decorate the church for Advent.

Tuesday 12/16, 7pm — **Blue Christmas Service**, where those suffering loss, who might not feel very jolly this year, have a safe place to encounter the Christ Child.

Wednesday 12/24, 7pm — Christmas Eve Service of lessons, carols, and candles.

Sunday 1/25/26, after worship — **All Church Celebration and Potluck**, where we will award prizes, look at our plans for the year, and BURN THE MORTGAGE!!

Rinn Celebrates 120 years in 2026! The date is TBD, but if you would like to help with the planning of this very special birthday party, please let me know.

Rinn United Methodist is a vibrant, caring church, where all truly means all. Your gifts and service help us continue to live into that reality. I thank you for your support in the past and look forward to serving with you in 2026.

See you in church, Lin

Volunteers Needed for Sanctuary Clean-up

On <u>November 22, 2025</u> we will be deep cleaning the sanctuary starting at 9:00am. If any of you have ever been involved in the process you know it takes time and A LOT of help. Some girl scouts will be here and we need adult help to both supervise and to help with the cleaning. If you can lend a helping hand-let Sharon Goldade know.

Also give her a call if you have any questions. (Sharon 303-817-3985). THANK YOU!!!!!!



Hanging of the Greens

We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas after worship on **November 23, 2025.** Please come and help decorate the trees and put up the garlands and wreaths. Many hands make light work!

Holiday Church Office Hours

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday, November 26, 2025 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The office will be closed December 24th, 25th, 30th, 31st and January 1st for the Christmas Holiday. There will not be a newsletter the week of December 30th. Thank you for this time off and have a blessed Holiday Season!





Rinn Gift, Craft, and Bake Sale



Saturday, December 6, 2025, 10am – 4pm Rinn United Methodist Church 3783 Bella Rosa Parkway (Weld County Rd 20) Frederick, CO 80504

> Just west of the I-25 frontage road, between HWY 52 and 119

A Christmas shopping experience with dozens of local artists showcasing their crafts! Bring a canned good and take a picture with Santa!

Enjoy lunch in our Corner Café from 11-1:

- Homemade soups:
 - · Chili
 - French Onion
 - Beef Stew
 - · And more...
- Christmas cookies
- Lunch is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids



Take some flyers from the welcome table in the Narthex and spread the word!

Want to contribute to the bake sale? Bring your cookies, cakes, pies, breads, jams and jellies, or whatever else you make to the church kitchen on Friday morning, December 5 from 9-12, or Saturday morning from 8-10.



A Country Christmas at Rinn Cowboy Christian Fellowship

(The traditional Christmas songs you know and love.)

Wednesday 12/3, 7pm
Nashville recording artist,
Aubree Bullock/Neeper
singing your favorite songs of
the season with a Christmas
message by ?







Wednesday, 12/10, 7pm Barry Ward returns with his heartfelt music from middle America. Christmas, the way you remember

Wednesday, 12/17, 7pm An hour of uplifting 4-part by the popular New Life Quartet. Songs guaranteed to soothe your soul!



3783 Bella Rosa Parkway, Frederick (In the Methodist Church Building)
(Refreshments provided)

Love offering for musicians not required, but gratefully accepted.



A Plea From Your Pastor

Friends, we are all so busy and it is hard sometimes to remember all the things we want to say to someone until we see them, which is usually on Sunday. In most cases, this is a great way to use our time together before and after the service. However, for me, when I am trying to get into worship mode before service, to have several people hit me up with ministry ideas, announcements to make, questions about someone who is sick or hasn't been to church in a while, information about someone who is sick or hasn't been to church in a while, or even just to let me know that they won't be here for the next few weeks because they'll be out of town... well, it really doesn't help me get into worship mode. In fact, it can feel like an onslaught of information that I won't have a prayer of remembering come Monday. YOU CAN HELP by choosing one of the following options:

- 1. Call me during the week! If I don't answer, please leave me a message and I will get back to you.
- 2. Write me a little note during the service and pass it to me as you leave after worship. Please leave your name and email address so that I know who to respond to.
- 3. Email me anytime!
- 4. (Preferred Option) Let's make a date for coffee or lunch so we can talk about what you want to talk about AND get to know each other a little better in the process.

Thanks for your help with this and I will try to do the same for you, too!! Much love, Lin

Rinn Cowboy Christian Fellowship

Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm November 26th:

Cowboy Corral -Bill, Galen, Eliza







Update on Noah's Community Outreach

"In worship last Sunday, we prayed over the filled backpacks, and asked God's blessings on those who will receive them. Please take a backpack (or more) and keep it in your vehicle to distribute when you see someone in need. Justin will soon begin distributing them in larger numbers as the weather turns colder. The backpacks with scarves on them contain women's clothes; those without scarves contain men's clothes.

Looking forward - for remaining backpacks, we need:

- *toothpaste
- *toothbrushes
- *gloves for men
- *boxers for men

*and - backpacks! If you go to thrift stores, take a look. Last year ALL our backpacks came from thrift stores, and we need to re-stock.

Thanks so much to all who donate, stuff, carry, and pray over this project. We also really appreciate the grant funding from Rinn UMC that helps move this project forward. Justin estimates we will be able to distribute about 75 backpacks this year! Betsy



757-423-3332 cell and text



"Brunch Bunch" Bible Study

Wednesdays

Breakfast at Doug's Diner(hwy 66) at 8:45 a.m.

Study at Bev Ramsey's house at 10:30 a.m.

Join us weekly for breakfast and a discussion of our faith.

Refreshments After Worship

- -November 23-Aleta & Mila
- -November 30th-
- -December 7th-UMW-Craft Fair December 14th-Kermit December 21st-Janice December 28th-Paula Clapp





Please consider signing up for a date.

The sign-up board is in the narthex at the

welcome table. Note that you don't need to provide a full spread that can double as brunch for everyone in the church; some cookies, along with one or two options for those trying to cut down on sweets, is sufficient.

If you have any questions, or need to change your date, please feel free to call or text Mary Margaret at 573-368-1390 or call the church office at 303-776-1578(Church Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-noon)

This Week at Rinn

For more upcoming events, see our online calendar **HERE**.

Wednesday 11/26

8:45am Breakfast Fellowship at Doug's Diner(hwy 66) 10:30am Wednesday Brunch Bunch Bible Study at Bev Ramsey home 7:00pm Cowboy Fellowship

Thursday 11/27

Happy Thanksgiving!! Church Office Closed

Friday 11/28

7:00pm New Hope AA

Sunday 11/30

8:00am Adult Bible Study 8:15am Men's Koffee Klub 9:30am Worship Service

~ Rinn Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook November 23, 2025 ~ 9:30am Scripture

Ephesians 1:15-23

Message

"Exits and Entrances"

Livestreamed on Facebook:
To access our Facebook page, click <u>HERE</u>.
To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is on the church website

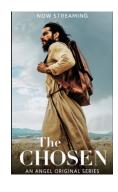


Can You Help Donate to Carbon Valley Help Center?



We are asking for your support for Carbon Valley Help Center by bringing anything non-perishable in honor of Veterans Day and Bill Smiths 90th birthday. Here are suggestions from the Help Center. Pasta, Rice, Tomato Products, Peanut Butter, Canned Meats, Canned Vegetables and Fruits, Dry or Canned Beans, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Canned Soup. Please place items in the black bin in the narthex. Thank you so much for your help!

Movie Night at Rinn



Please join us for Movie Night at Rinn! We will meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each Month at 7:00pm. December will have one meeting on December 11, 2025. If you have any questions, Please contact Shelly Anderson.

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- -For all who are grieving.
- -For those affected by floods and fires.
- -For those in war torn areas.
- -Travel mercies for those on the road
- -for all those awaiting surgery and healing for those recovering from surgery.

HEALING

- -For Janice's daughter-in-law Sue, a double lung transplant recipient having other health troubles.
- -Healing prayers for Justin's Mom Janet, who has a spot on her lung. Prayers also for comfort and strength for the family.
- Margaret's brother-in-law Rick, who has cancer
- -Healing for fractured families.
- -Barb, who is in the hospital with multiple issues.
- -For Wayne's father who has vertigo.
- -For Rob who is battling throat cancer.
- -Healing and comfort for all those awaiting results from tests .
- -Healing for Marline and Bob
- -Healing for Denise who is recovering at home from hip surgery
- -Healing for Rusty's sister, who was in a bicycle accident
- -Healing for Denise, who is recovering at home after hip surgery.

THANKSGIVING

- -Terry gives thanks that Shane's heart surgery was successful.
- -For reconciliation with family.
- -Ginny gives thanks for Mike being home now and that Grayson is doing better and will be coming home.
- -Ashley give thanks for her new job!
- -Salem is driving now!
- -Brendan has been hired as accompanist! He will start training on November 2, 2025.
- -Thanks for those who provide and work at homes for the elderly .
- -Joy of new babies in our families
- -Thanks from Bill for the wonderful party and birthday celebration.

If anyone needs to be taken off or added to this list please fill out the form on the back of this sheet, or email the church office at Info@rinnumc.org.

Adult Bible Study

Sundays at 8:00 am

We are currently studying Adam Hamilton's Making Sense of the Bible and Karen Armstrong's A History of God. Please join us for engaging conversations each Sunday. All are welcome!

Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

Dacono, Frederick & Firestone

303-444-3043

November Birthdays

3 John Martin

4 Rev. Lin Cheek

4 Katleyn Addy

6 Tim Kemnetz

7 Colin Peterson

8 Renee Peterson

8 David Grabowski

10 Bill Smith

11 Mary Ann Barnes

14 Michaela Boisen

18 Mike Abney

18 Cathy Billings

18 Suzanne Gallagher

21 Sharon Goldade

21 Mitch Hollingsworth

29 Sheila Legler

Happy November Anniversary To...

3 Jim & Jan Nelson (1968)

18 Dan & Aleta Purcell (1978)

27 Larry & Sharon Thompson

Rinn United Methodist Church Leadership

The Administrative Council meets on the third Thursday of every month. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our leaders who keep your church running smoothly are listed below:

Chair of Church Council: Shelly Anderson

Lay Leader: Bonnie Clark

United Methodist Women: Sharon Goldade

Treasurer: Sue Mercer

Finance Secretary: Steve Sterkel Nominations: Rev. Lin Cheek

Worship Committee: Betsy Foushee

Members: Janice Bachman, Eric Presnall, Rusty Goetz, Linda Rinn