



**From the Minister's Mac:
The Book of Straw**

If you know your Church history, you may know that Martin Luther detested the book of James. He called it a book of straw and said he would not have it in his Bible, although he never actually went so far as to suggest that it should be taken out of the Bible altogether. He did, however, frequently condemn it and said it was far inferior to the Epistles of the Apostle Paul and should not be compared to them.

Luther's problem with the letter centered primarily on one verse:
"You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone."

Luther felt that by lifting up this idea, clerics and theologians were encouraging people to incorrectly believe that they might earn their way to heaven by acts of piety and mercy. Go to church. Pray. Care for the sick. Feed the hungry. Seek justice. Visit the imprisoned. And gain eternal life.

Of course, that's not how I read the book of James (you knew that was coming, didn't you?). With all due respect for the great reformer, Martin Luther, over the next few Sundays, we'll explore the Epistle of James, and consider why what James has to say about our Christian journey might be just what we need to hear in the 21st Century.

See you in church,

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**"Be doers of the word and not merely hearers
who deceive themselves."**

James 1:22

September 7, 2024 CHURCH WORK DAY

Come one, Come all!

Church work day this Saturday from 8am -11am



MINER'S DAY FOOD BOOTH SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

Miner's Day is Frederick's Founder's Day Celebration. It is held at Centennial Park on September 21st. The food booths run from 11:00am to 9:00pm. We are having a food booth at this year's celebration. We will need volunteers to staff the booth as well as cash donations which will be very much appreciated. If you would like to bring specific food

items, please contact Rusty first(720-253-7278). This will be a long day so please sign up for 2 hour shifts if possible. Thank you!

The sign up sheet will be available starting this Sunday, September 1st on the welcome table in the narthex. Call Rusty if you have any questions. For more information on the Miner's Day Celebration go to the town of Frederick website. <https://frederickco.gov/240/Miners-Day>

Rex Bentley Memorial Service

Saturday, September 14, 2024

10:00am at Rinn UMC

Please join Mike Shaw and the Cowboy Fellowship to celebrate the life of Rex Bentley. There will be a short reception following the service in the fellowship hall.

POTLUCK AFTER CHURCH SEPTEMBER 29,2024



A-H-- Main Dish

I-R --Dessert

S-Z-- Side Dish

Or whatever the Holy Spirit moves you to bring!

Do you love to sing? Join the Rinn choir!

It's that time of year! Are you choir-curious? Have you felt a Christmas Cantata-sized

absence in your life? If you answered yes to either of those questions, Anneke (pianist, Chancel Choir director) invites you to join one or both groups of singers! No audition is required, just a willingness to sing out and have fun!

The New Bishop

The Mountain Sky Conference has a new bishop! Bishop Kristin Stoneking, who was just elected bishop by the Western Jurisdiction, has been assigned as the new leader of our conference.

To learn more about her, go to <https://www.mtnskyumc.org/newsdetail/welcome-kristin-stoneking-the-new-bishop-of-the-mountain-sky-conference-18423219>.

Collecting for the Backpack Ministry

Justin is once again collecting items for his backpack ministry to the homeless. If you find good deals on shirts, socks, and hygiene items, please pick them up and leave them in the box in the sanctuary.

Altar Flower Sign-Up

Help keep Rinn looking beautiful! If you would like to bring flowers for the altar to honor a loved one or a special occasion or just to make the sanctuary a little bit nicer one Sunday, please sign-up on the sheet at the welcome table.



From a participant in our first Financial Peace University Class

" I sat down and crunched some numbers. In 4 months, I paid off over \$11,200.24 in credit card debt. I expect to be debt free in the next 2 months.

In a way, I live in Baby Step 3. Well, I use the key takeaways from that step often anyway. If I am faced with temptation, I ask myself - Is it necessary? I can usually stop there, but if I say yes, then I ask myself if it is urgent or unexpected? I apply this logic to EVERY purchase that isn't the same amount every time - like insurance premiums, phone bill, dog food, etc.

In the past, I tracked my spending and called it a budget. Now, I know how to create a budget and I stick with it. I actually enjoy doing a spreadsheet. I set my receipts aside, log into my bank app on my phone, and I sit in front of my computer and handle my budget once a week. When you make it routine, it becomes habit, and habits become second

nature. "

This person will recognize a \$2800 "raise" every month. Removing that burden of debt now allows them more freedom to handle emergencies, save an 3-6 months emergency fund, invest, and plan ahead for purchases that they would like to make. Great Job!!!!
Michael Rowley – FPU Coordinator

Lifeline Screening at Rinn



Friday October 11, 2024

Rinn will once again be hosting Lifeline Screening, which offers preventative screenings for stroke and heart attack risks. Click [here](#) to learn more about it and/or sign up for a time.

Want to get screened but find the price tag a bit steep? As the host, Rinn has a few complimentary screenings. Email or call the office, or talk to the office manager, in order to get one.

Take care of your health! God needs you here for a long time yet to come.

~ Rinn Worship Service ~
(In-person and livestreamed on Facebook)

September 8 • 9:30 a.m.

Scripture

James 2:1-9, 14-17

Message

"Implicit Bias"

Livestreamed on Facebook:

to access our Facebook page, click [HERE](#).

To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is [HERE](#).

BUMMP SALMON SALE Is Here!

The yearly BUMMP Salmon Sale is now starting . This sale generates money to provide funding for BUMMP churches and their members to undertake mission work in the world. Wild caught salmon donated from our friends in Alaska will soon arrive. The suggested price will remain the same as last year, \$10/lb. Delivery will start mid to late September. If you would like to support this effort and buy some salmon, talk to your BUMMP representative in your church or contact Belinda Strickland, sbstrickland@mac.com.

BUMMP Board Members:

Rick Powers: 1st UMC of Boulder: rickpowers@comcast.net

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“Brunch Bunch” Bible Study

Wednesdays

Breakfast at Maggie’s 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.

Call the office for location.

Sooper's Cards for Rinn



Did you know that you can tie your King Sooper's loyalty card to Rinn UMC, and the church will get a contribution every time you use it?

Please consider signing up! Every little bit helps!

Movie Night at Rinn!

Join us at Rinn United Methodist Church at 3783 Bella Rosa Parkway in Frederick for our "Movie Night" series! We will gather on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month to watch another episode. We will be watching *The Chosen*, a series about the journey of Jesus as he calls his disciples, heals the sick, and sacrifices himself for humanity. Episodes vary in length from 20 minutes to 90 minutes. It's casual, so bring your popcorn or your snack and drink (no adult beverages please) and enjoy this series with like-minded followers of Jesus. Feel free to bring friends and family, too! We'll meet for about 90 minutes.

We start right at 7:00 p.m. so please be timely and arrive a few minutes early. If you have any questions, contact Shelly Anderson at 720-280-6398 or Mary Stoothoff at 303-875-9488.



September 5, 26 (please note date change)

United Methodist Women

Meeting Date Change

**September 21, 2024 Meeting cancelled
to help with Minor's Day Celebration**

Changed to September 28, 2024 9:00am

Adult Bible Study • Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

We are looking at Christian themes in contemporary novels. Our first book is "*The Lovely Bones*." Please join us for engaging conversation this Sunday!
All are welcome!

In Our Prayers

Prayers for the 2 students and the 2 teachers who were killed at Apalachee High School in Winder, Georgia. Prayers for those who were wounded. May we as a country commit

ourselves to stopping this violence on our children.

COMFORT

- All struggling with addiction.
- Smith family, who suffered a tragic event in late June and are struggling with everyday tasks.
- Barry's daughter Jessica.
- All those struggling with MS, for a cure and support for them and their families.
- All families going through legal troubles: for strength and wisdom to navigate what can be a confusing system.
- for Hunter.
- Dan Smith who will have back surgery on Sept.17th.
- For those who lost a loved one or who have been injured by a drunk driver. Also prayers for sobriety for those drivers struggling with addiction.
- Warren and Linda Napier family who sustained much damaged to their house after a fire. The basement is destroyed and there is fire and water damage in the rest of the house. When we find out how you can help, we will let you know.

GRIEVING

- Anderson/Knowltons, the Stengels, the Stuart family, Cindy and JR's families, and Mary Stoothoff's family on the loss of Mary's favorite cousin.
- Annie's Niece Cindy as she lost her daughter Holly and her best friend in a car accident.
- Rusty's uncle Bill Goetz passed away.

HEALING

- Scott, Sharon, Wayne, Alan, Karen, Rhoda, Torrie, and all others suffering from cancer.
- Donato after his ATV accident.
- Jerry's father-in-law, with heart troubles.
- Eric and Justin's brother-in-law Adam, who is recovering from surgery.
- Eric's friend Charles, with a tumor in his sinuses.
- Don, who is recovering from surgery.
- Annie's son-in-law with kidney trouble, that he will find a kidney.
- all the fractured families in the world.
- Betty's mother-in-law Janet who is now home and recovering.
- Brian Cheek's sister Robin who is recovering in ICU after major back surgery.
- Rusty's uncle Warren, after being recently hospitalized, has been diagnosed with kidney disease stage 4 and myeloma cancer of the blood. And for Warren's sister Wauneita who is very worried about her brother.

CELEBRATING

THANKSGIVING

- Annie is doing well after her hip surgery.

- Jennie's hand surgery went well.

If anyone needs to be taken off or added to this list please fill out the form in your Sunday bulletin or [email the church office](#).

Refreshments for after Worship sign-up

- September 8th Janice and Sheila
- **September 15th**
- **September 22nd**
- September 29th Sue Oliver and Linda Rinn
- **October 6th**
- **October 13th**
- **October 20th**
- October 27th Mike Carr

Please consider signing up for a date. The sign-up board will be in the narthex either at the welcome table or the podium. 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)

If you sign up to help, here are some guidelines:

- Provide around 4 dozen cookies in total (these can be baked at home or store bought)
- Provide a "non-sugar" option (fruit, cheese, crackers, etc...)
- Arrange on trays found in the kitchen
- Napkins, small plates, cups, coffee carafes, lemonade pitchers, creamer, sugar, stir stick can all be found in the kitchen
- Coffee and Lemonade will already be made for you
- Please take all items to the kitchen and clean up afterward
- you will get a reminder in your email from Mary Margaret about 3 days in advance of your sign-up date.
- A sign-up sheet will be at the podium in the Narthex each Sunday.

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Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

Dacono, Frederick & Firestone

303-444-3043

Cowboy Fellowship at Rinn

Wednesday nights at 7pm

September 11, 2024

Ron Ballard on the saw and

Ann Napier accompanying on the piano

August Birthdays

- 3 Bryson Chapman
- 3 Emery Chapman
- 3 Lily May Presnall
- 4 Shelly Anderson
- 4 Terry Murray
- 5 David Gray
- 6 Eric Riggs
- 9 Nikki Dellow
- 13 Rae Ann Norell
- 13 Wayne Vinson
- 16 Adi Fox
- 18 Weston Novak
- 19 Ron Hinkle
- 21 Patty Nelson
- 21 Lisa Johnson
- 26 Ginny Stuart
- 27 Kaylee Grabowski
- 27 Laurene Grabowski
- 30 Nina Cohen
- 31 Sue Mercer

Happy Anniversary to:

- 10 Terry & Diana Murray
 - 16 Ed & Toni Dellow (1983)
 - 17 Rusty & Jenny Goetze (1996)
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Weekly Activity Schedule

For more upcoming events, view our online calendar [HERE](#).

Saturday 9/7

8:00am-11:00am CHURCH WORK DAY

Sunday 9/8

8:00am Adult Bible Study

8:15am Men's Koffee Klub

9:30am Worship Service

Wednesday 9/11

8:45am Breakfast Fellowship at Maggie's

10:30a Wednesday Brunch Bunch Bible
Study at Bev Ramsey home

7:00pm Cowboy Fellowship

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.

President: Shelly Anderson

Lay Leader: Wayne Vinson

Staff Parish Relations (Personnel): Bonnie Clark

United Methodist Women: Sharon Goldade

Trustees: Rusty Goetze

Chair of Finance: Linda Rinn

Treasurer: Sue Mercer

Finance Secretary: Steve Sterkel

Cowboy Fellowship: Mike Shaw

Nominations: Rev. Lin Cheek

Worship Committee: Betsy Foushee





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