

# Rinn Newsletter 7/3-7/9

## From The Minister's Mac

### "Who do you say I am?"

I've been trying to clean out my overflowing bookshelves this year — both at home and in my office at church — culling through hundreds of pages, deciding if I will ever read, quote, or refer to a book again. My plan is to collect the books I am purging and offer them to any takers who may find in them something of value, even to use as paper for a craft project. So far, out of over 400 books in my office, I have managed to eliminate nine. Granted, I have only gone through two shelves, but still, this does not bode well for my plan.

All that to say, I found a book entitled, "From Advent's Alleluia to Easter's Morning Light," by Ann Weems. Of all the poems in Weems' collection, one title caught my eye. "Sticky Note the Church." I did not receive permission to share it with you here, but the central thought of the poem is to paste sticky notes everywhere asking the Scriptural question, "Who do you say I am?" Hopefully, those sticky notes would remind us to think about Jesus and his incredible gift to us. I think that's a good idea, but I also like the Rinn version of that, which is to have the tiny Jesus figures surprising us all over the building, cropping up on the pulpit, smiling at us from the copier, and adding to the love and laughter in the social hall.

Weems idea, however, helps us focus on the identity of the one who taught us to love, who died with forgiveness on his lips, and who showed us how to live together in peace. Who do we say Jesus is? While we may attach many words to Jesus — friend, teacher, Lord — Scripture tells us the correct answer is, "You are the Christ of God." But remember friends, Christ was not Jesus' last name. The Greek word *Χριστός* (Christos) literally means "anointed" and is translated in most English language Bibles as Christ, or Messiah. How often do we ponder *that* word — Messiah? How often do we miss the simple answer that Peter proclaimed? Would we answer that question the same way?

You are the Messiah! With that one word, we are also proclaiming Jesus as our Savior and the Redeemer of the world. Do we need any other word than that?

Who do we say Jesus is? Once we are able to answer that question, maybe we don't need to post the question all over the church. Maybe all we need to post is the answer — Jesus is the Messiah — and then tell everybody!

See you in church,  
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**“The woman said to him, ‘I know that Messiah is coming’ (who is called Christ). When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.’ Jesus said to her, ‘I am he, the one who is speaking to you.’” John 4:25-26**



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## ~ Rinn Worship Service ~

**In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook**

**July 6, 2025 ~ 9:30am**

### **Scripture**

**2 Kings 5:1-14**

### **Message**

**“Getting Clean”**

Livestreamed on Facebook:

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

To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is  
on the church [website](#)

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## **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.



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## **Movie Night at Rinn**



Please join us for Movie Night at Rinn! We will meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each Month. July meeting dates will be July 10th and 24th. If you have any questions, Please contact Shelly Anderson.

# Noah's Community Outreach

You PROBABLY know Noah's Community Outreach collects clothing and hygiene items throughout the year, to distribute (in backpacks) to people in our community who are unhoused. Right now we are prepping for winter, buying sleeping bags and watching for sales on warm clothing, socks, etc. Last year we distributed 37-ish backpacks; this coming year we hope to distribute 50 or more.

You MAY know Noah's Community Outreach provides Saturday night supper, twice a month, for people who stay overnight in the Hope for Longmont shelter (usually about 30 guests).

You MAY NOT know - we are now partnering with Hope for Longmont to provide lunches throughout the week. Hope for Longmont serves 300 lunches each month at their food bank location, and another 100 as their outreach team meets people around town who need and will accept support. Each week, we provide supplies like sandwiches, snacks, drinks, and fruit for them to distribute. This week we took them some hard-boiled eggs! We by no means meet the entire need, but we are helping.

Want to know more? Want to share ideas or suggestions? Want to get involved? Great! Please talk to Justin or Betsy.

Noah's Community Outreach receives some grant funding from Rinn UMC, and is also supported by donations in time, resources, and \$ from the congregation.





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## Refreshments After Worship

- July 6—Linda Rinn
- July 13
- July 20—Terry & Karen
- July 27



Those cookies, cupcakes and other snacks don't appear in the Fellowship Hall by themselves! Please consider signing up for a date. The sign-up board will be in the narthex either at the welcome table or the podium. 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)

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 **or** cheese **or** 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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# **Rinn Cowboy Christian Fellowship**

**Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm**

**7/9/2025 -**

**Eddie Kendrick**



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## **Marsha is Collecting Egg Cartons**

Marsha needs egg cartons once more. Please leave them in the kitchen, on the counter next to the back door.



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## **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

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## **“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.

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## Sooper's Card 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!

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## Adult Bible Study

**Sundays at 8:00 am**

We are currently studying Adam Hamilton's *Making Sense of the Bible*. Please join us for engaging conversations each Sunday. All are welcome!

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## Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

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303-444-3043

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## This Week at Rinn

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

### **Wednesday 7/9**

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

### **Friday 7/11**

5:45pm New Hope AA in the Fellowship Hall-Ice Cream Social

### **Sunday 7/13**

8:00am Adult Bible Study

8:15am Men's Koffee Klub

9:30am Worship Service

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# In Our Prayers

## **COMFORT**

- All those struggling with depression.
- Eric and Justin's Uncle Jerry and family, as Jerry approaches the end of life.
- For all those who are grieving this day, and especially those who have lost their children
- For Annie Finney —please pray for Annie and her son to find the right place to live that will be safe for them. She asks that it be a smooth transition from where they are to wherever they may find to live.
- for Jen on the loss of her husband and for all who mourn the loss of a loved one.
- for Steven, the policeman who died in a motorcycle accident.

## **HEALING**

- Debby Perry, who is home after her stem-cell transplant, that her treatment continues to progress well.
- Diana's daughter, who was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Mike and Karen's friends Greg and Gail, who are both dealing with cancer
- Sue had a double lung transplant some years ago and has other health issues.
- Garry after his stroke, as well as strength and healing for Patty
- Prayers for Tom M who may need his toes amputated.
- For Fayden, a 9 year old who had heart-replacement surgery recently and is not out of the woods yet.
- For Brian's sister Robin who is having abdominal pain and the doctors don't know what is causing it.
- For Denise to continue to heal.
- For Sue Mercer's sister-in-law Diana, who just had cancer surgery on June 11th.
- For Anne Gallagher, who fell and broke her hip.
- For Hal and his wife Lisa, as Hal is in ICU after a double lung transplant.
- For Wilda and Liz .
- For Rob who has throat cancer and prayers that God will take cancer out of this world completely.
- For Mary's brother Bob who is having heart problems.

## **THANKSGIVING**

- Tractor Supply for their support for Justin's ministry for the unhoused, and all those who donate to the backpacks and help give them out.
- The wonderful music at church.
- Those who find Jesus, even on their death beds.
- God bless all our organ donors.
- For Marsha's hard work on the Pig Roast, among other things!
- For the opportunity for Salem to be a Counselor in Training and prayers that she does well there and enjoys it.
- For the opportunity for kids to go to camp and for all the donations that made that possible.
- Anne Gallagher's recovery from a broken hip, and the fact that she's now at home
- For Sue Mercer who is recovering well from knee surgery.
- For Bethany's healing

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](mailto:Info@rinnumc.org).

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## July Birthdays



**3 Glenn Bachmann**  
**4 Penny Waneka**  
**8 Toni Dellow**  
**9 Karen Stollings**  
**17 Teena Luehrsen**  
**20 Justin Gray**  
**22 Barb Abney**  
**22 Patty Wilson**  
**22 Mike Carr**  
**23 Aaron Mascarenas**  
**25 Eric Presnall**  
**27 Graylan Presnall**  
**29 Cindy Sherman**

## Happy July Anniversary To...

14 Keith & Brianne Oliver (2004)

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