Rinn Newsletter 10/16/25-10/22/25

From the Minister's Mac

"Persistence"

As I ponder persistence this week, I can't help wondering where I am falling short of the mandate Jesus gave his disciples, to pray always and not lose heart. Am I prone to give up? Do I grow weary of praying the same prayer, without seeing the results I want? Does my prayer become less insistent and more routine? Does my prayer life truly reflect my belief in the power of persistent prayer?

I came to the conclusion that it is not enough to be persistent; we must consider what we are persisting in. What we feel may be a losing cause may simply need a new approach. Like the IBM mantra that has endured for over a century, THINK should be a large part of our prayer life. And so, putting that idea into effect, I began my prayer by thinking about it:

"God, I pray all the time for you to take cancer out of this world entirely, but people still get sick and children still suffer. I know you could do this if you wanted to, so why don't you? Is it because you want to see what we do? Not to see how we suffer, but to see how we end the suffering? Are you wanting us to find the cure? To care more about eradicating the disease than treating it? Well, if that's what you want, then here is my prayer: Help us care for one another so much that we will stop at nothing to cure this disease. Help us love people more than profit, value wellness above wealth. Lord, I will not only pray for this, I will work towards that kind of love and care for the world and I will never stop asking for it. But God, you know that's a really big ask and if you think it would be better for all concerned if you just got rid of cancer yourself, then thy will be done!"

Some habits are hard to break. But I will continue to pray, persistently, and with careful thought, that we here on earth find a cure for cancer and then give all glory and honor to God. It is a big ask, but if I believe all things are possible through God, then I have to believe that this is possible, too.

Pray thoughtfully. Pray persistently. If we do this, when the Son of Man returns, he will find us on our knees, not buckled by life, but bowed in faith and still believing in the love that has no end.

See you in church,

Lin

"But Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26

Potluck for Bill Smith's 90th Birthday!

Please join us on Sunday Nov. 9th after worship to celebrate Bill Smith's 9oth Birthday! We will be having a potluck to celebrate. Cake will be furnished. Food assignments by the first letter of your last name:

A-H-Dessert I-R-Side dish S-Z-Main Dish

If you are not able to bring food—don't worry! We always have plenty. Come and enjoy food and friendship and help celebrate Bill!



September Financials

 Sept. Income:
 \$15392.74

 Sept. Expenses:
 29660.35

 Net Loss
 \$14267.61

Remember, we had almost \$17000.00 in repairs/replacement of the water line.

Investment accounts balances: Methodists Helping

Methodists: \$30365.91

Charles Schwab: 1076.54

Thank You. Sue Mercer

~ Rinn Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook October 19, 2025 ~ 9:30am

Scripture
Luke 18:1-8
Message
"La Mosca"

Livestreamed on Facebook:

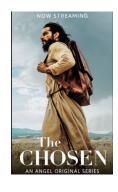
To access our Facebook page, click <u>HERE</u>.

To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is on the church website

All Saint's Day Name Submissions

All Saint's Day is November 2, 2025. This is the day we honor all those who have gone on to be with Jesus. If you would like Rev. Lin to read the name of a loved one who has passed since All Saint's Day November 3, 2024, please email the church office at info@rinnumc.org by October 27th.

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. October meeting dates will be the 9th and 23rd. If you have any questions, Please contact Shelly Anderson.



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Who should attend: Anyone age of 40+

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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.

Rinn Charge Conference October 30th

Our Annual Charge Conference this year will be held on Thursday night, October 30th, at 7pm via Zoom. We will watch a video message from Bishop Stoneking, review the pastor's report, review and approve our leadership roster, approve the 2026 Clergy Compensation, review the Membership and Worship Attendance Report, vote on our Commitment to Connectional Giving in 2026, and hear reports on building repairs, our financial overview, and the needs of the church. A Charge Conference Booklet is lovingly prepared by our Office Manager Julie Stirm for use at our Charge Conference. It contains reports on the above mentioned areas as well as reports prepared by various ministry leaders. Your Church Council attends this meeting every year; however, everyone is invited to this annual meeting. To attend, just send your email to Rev. Lin and she will make sure you get on the list to receive the Zoom Link. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to have a Charge Conference Booklet to review, just let Julie know and she will make sure you get one.

"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.



Thank you for all the support preparing the backpacks; colder weather is not far off, and that is when they will be distributed. If you want to help distribute backpacks, and

you know of opportunities, please talk to Justin; otherwise, we will work with Hope for Longmont to distribute to people they serve.

Items we still need include: toothbrushes, toothpaste, pocket-size Bibles, men's boxer shorts, socks for men and women, sweat shirts/pants for women, lightweight rain jackets. We are on the lookout for items available at a good price, so if you see opportunities, please let us know! We appreciate the continuing grant support from Rinn UMC, and also thank you for all your personal support in contributions, time, and prayer.'

Betsy <u>bfoushee@hotmail.com</u> 757-423-3332 cell and text

Looking for an Apartment?

Debby Thompson has an apartment for rent in her house. If you're looking for a place or know someone who might be, call Debby at 970-980-4086 for more information!

Rinn Cowboy Christian Fellowship



Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm
Eddie Kendrick
10/22/25

Refreshments After Worship

- October 19th
- October 26

Those cookies, cupcakes and other snacks don't appear in the Fellowship Hall by them-



selves! 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) 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.

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In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- -For all who grieve with us this day, especially for Diana and family for the loss of Terry, Barry and family for the loss of Jessica. Jessica's Celebration of Life is Saturday, October 18th at 10:30am
- -For those on the Western Slope and in Pagosa Springs who have experienced flooding
- -Wayne's Aunt Linda, who is approaching the end. May it be swift and gentle.
- -Travel mercies for Larry and Sharon, and all who are on the road.
- -The family of Wayne and Marsha's friend Suzanne, who passed away recently.
- -For those impacted by the explosion at an ammunitions warehouse in Tennessee.
- -For Michelle's friend who lost their baby in pregnancy.

HEALING

- -For Rob who has throat cancer and prayers that God will take cancer out of this world completely.
- -For Janice's daughter-in-law Sue, a double lung transplant recipient having other health troubles.
- -Continued prayers for healing for ALL those recovering from falls.
- -For the foster dog Cora, who is recovering from a toe amputation.
- -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
- Steve and Michelle's neighbor Rocky, who had a massive heart attack.
- Wayne and Marsha's friend, who has stage 4 cancer.
- Wayne and Marsha's friend Marge, who has a lung infection.
- Barb, who is in the hospital with multiple issues.

THANKSGIVING

- -Mary thanks the congregation for their prayers it really helps.
- -Katie gives thanks for health after a double mastectomy.
- -Karen gives thanks that a car accident her family had wasn't worse. No loss of life but they need healing.
- -Ginny's great grandson Grayson was airlifted to Children's Hospital. Please pray for the infant!
- -That the Vinson family dog, Jake, does not have cancer.
- -For those who have received a transplant of any kind.
- -Terry gives thanks that Shane's heart surgery was successful.
- -Thanks for the Empty Bowls Fundraiser and all who worked to make it a success.

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

This Week at Rinn

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

Wednesday 10/22

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

<u>Thursday 10/23</u>

7:00pm Movie Night at Rinn

Friday 10/24

7:00pm New Hope AA

Saturday 10/25

9:00am UMW Meeting

Sunday 10/26

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

October Birthdays

1 Danny Martin
3 Annika Toomey
9 Ashley Maine
10 Donna Smith
12 Jenny Goetz
13 Robbie Alexander
15 Wayne Wood
15 Sandy Presnall
15 Julie Stirm

17 Lisa Abbott
17 Kat Mann
25 Rob Alexander
28 Justin Presnall Jr.
29 Morgan Riggs
30 Jenna Riggs
31 Bella Presnall

Happy October Anniversary To...

25 Mike & Brenda Carr (1965)

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