### Rinn Newsletter 9/18-9/24

#### A Note from the Office

I can't manage the publishing software that Julie uses, so again I'm doing a plain text newsletter. The colorful pictures will be back next week!

Suzanne Gallagher Substitute Office Manager Rinn UMC

# From The Minister's Mac

#### "Silence Implies Consent"

Many, many years ago in merry old England, Sir Thomas More was accused of treason against King Henry VIII. At his trial, More claimed that he had never given his opinion on the King's supremacy over the church and never voiced an objection to the King's ability to divorce his wife. Since silence implies consent under the law, More argued that he could not be convicted of treason for speaking out against the King because he had never spoken to anyone about any of it.

They executed him anyway.

While silence may have seemed like a good legal strategy for Sir Thomas More, I'm not so sure it's a good overall strategy for life. In fact, I just might remain silent too often, which is a strange thing for a pastor to say. But I fear I have let opportunities go by where I might have spoken up for those who need a champion. I fear that, for the sake of harmony or social etiquette, I have avoided standing up for what I believe is pleasing to God.

I think it all comes down to purpose. What is my purpose here in this life? If my purpose is to make as few waves as possible, then staying silent is a good strategy. If getting along with my neighbor is my purpose, then keeping my mouth shut is one way to accomplish that. If staying out of the line of fire is primary in my life, that would require remaining quiet about my thoughts and opinions, especially around those who may disagree with me.

If, however, my purpose in life is to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, then I need to speak up about the joy I have in my salvation through Christ. I need to speak up about believing that this salvation through Christ is available to all people, and all means all. I need to let people know how much the love of God has changed my life! I need to witness to the difference that following the teachings of Christ has made in my family.

How will anyone know about this amazing God of ours if we remain silent? We need to find our voices, not to berate or belittle, but to build up our community of faith. Show your joy, my friends, and stay silent no longer. God is walking with us in this good life, and that deserves a shout!

See you in church,

Lin

"I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations." Psalm 89:1

### **Big Game Burritos**

The super bowl is right around the corner—February 8, 2026. What did you think of last year's selection of burritos?

Please let Rusty Know your Thoughts.

### 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.

### **BUMMP Salmon Sales**

Boulder United Methodist Mission Partners is having their annual salmon sales. 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 be in late

September. The salmon is sold in 1-2lb. packages, uncooked, ready to be poached, grilled, blackened, or prepared in any other way you'd like.

Talk to Linda Rinn to order salmon.

Want to support BUMMP but aren't quite sure what to do with the salmon? Talk to Suzanne for recipes!

# Update from Noah's Community Outreach

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.'

### **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. September meeting dates will be the 11th and 25th. If you have any questions, Please contact Shelly Anderson.

### **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.

### Refreshments After Worship

- September 21st: Terry and Karen
- June 1st: Sue Oliver and Linda Rinn

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 Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook September 21, 2025 ~ 9:30am

**Scripture** 

#### Luke 16:1-13

#### Message

#### "The Dishonest Manager"

Livestreamed on Facebook:

To access our Facebook page, click **HERE**.

To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is **HERE**.

# "Brunch Bunch" Bible Study

#### **Wednesdays**

Breakfast at Doug's Diner on 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.

### 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!

# 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.

### **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!

# Lifeline Screening

#### **Let's Be Healthy Together!**

Good news is that 80% of strokes and heart disease can be prevented, according to the American Heart Association.

Protect your health and get peace of mind with early detection with preventive health screenings from Life Line Screening that will be at Rinn United Methodist Church on Thursday, October 23, 2025. Learn more and schedule your appointment by calling 1-800-324-9458, texting the word circle to 216-279-1607 or visit Life Line Screening's website at LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC. There is no time like the present to take action!

### Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

Dacono, Frederick & Firestone

303-444-3043

### 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 9/24/2025 Eddie Kendrick

### In Our Prayers

#### **COMFORT**

- · Continued prayers for Hunter, and for God to place people in his path that might lead him closer to God.
- · For Peace in Gaza and Ukraine, and all other war-torn areas in our world.
- · For All Care Givers.
- · Continued prayers for Eric and Justin's Uncle Mark.
- $\cdot$  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, and Tom Mason's family, for his loss.
- · Shelly asks prayers for her brother and sister-in-law, for strength and comfort.
- · For those who lost loved ones and are dealing with the aftermath of the shootings in Minnesota and Utah and elsewhere.
- ·Continued prayers for all who grieve.
- •For Travel for Julie and Eric who are taking Josh to college in Washington State.
- ·Wayne's Aunt Linda, who is approaching the end. May it be swift and gentle.

#### **HEALING**

- · For Paula's neighbor who has special needs.
- · For Rob who has throat cancer and prayers that God will take cancer out of this world completely.
- $\cdot$  For Janice's daughter-in-law Sue, a double lung transplant recipient having other health troubles.

- · For Diana's daughter, who has finished cancer treatment and is doing well, continued healing.
- · Terry asks prayers for Shane who is having heart surgery. He is only 39 and the surgery is very risky.
- · Continued prayers for healing for all those recovering from falls, especially Manny.
- ·Kermit's boss' wife Jess had a medical emergency last week.
- ·For the foster dog Cora, who is recovering from a toe amputation.

#### **THANKSGIVING**

- · Fayden is finally home, but could still use our prayers for continued healing.
- · Mary thanks the congregation for their prayers it really helps.
- · Thanks that Lisa's daughter and granddaughter's car accident was not worse, and they were both able to walk away.
- · Thanks to Tractor Supply for all the discounts on the clothing they for the backpack ministry to the unhoused.
- · Thanks that Zander has gotten his permit and prayers for his safety on the road.
- · For the VA in Loveland, for their goodness to Don Brining.
- · That the Vinson family dog, Jake, does not have cancer.
- Thanks to all organ donors!
- · Shelly's niece was in a car accident but walked away, praise God!
- ·Rusty and Jenny's son Justin got married last weekend!
- ·For those who have received a transplant of any kind.

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.

### **September Birthdays**

6 Colton Fox
8 Margaret Regnier
8 Brenda Carr
12 McKenna Riggs
12 Mary Margaret Stambaugh
13 Mike Shaw
15 Vi Calder
17 Barry LaSalle
17 Betty Schons

23 Shelly Boisen
23 Katie Hulstrom
23 Linda Rinn
25 Callen Diaz
25 Ed Dellow
25 Pam Zuromski

### Happy Anniversary To...

4 Warren & Linda Napier (1965) 29 Mitchell & Amanda Hollingsworth

#### This Week at Rinn

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

#### **Friday 9/19**

7:00pm New Hope AA in the Fellowship Hall

#### Saturday 9/20

NO UMW MEETING! Meeting has been postponed to 9/27

#### **Sunday 9/21**

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

#### Wednesday 9/24

8:45am Breakfast Fellowship at Maggie's 10:30am 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:

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