

Rinn Newsletter 7/31-8/6

A Note from the Office

Apologies that the newsletter is text-only this week; I don't know how to use the program that Julie uses to make the pdf newsletter. The pictures will be back next week when Julie returns.

Suzanne Gallagher

From The Minister's Mac September

Friends, September is National Suicide Prevention Month. My heart aches for those who have up-close, personal experience with that particular kind of tragedy. It is something we don't often talk about because the conversation can elicit some very painful comments. For instance, I have heard good Christians tell a grieving spouse that it's a shame their loved one will not see them in heaven. Now, even if I believed that — and I emphatically do NOT — I would never say that to someone who is grieving. In fact, when someone is experiencing deep grief, expounding on points of theology is not usually advised. Listening, on the other hand, is kind, compassionate, and almost always helpful to a grief-stricken friend. Additionally, listening might just help us learn something.

With that in mind, I have invited Rev. Laretta Lundquist to deliver a Sunday message at Rinn on September 14. She will look at suicide through the lens of Scripture, exploring the different instances of suicide presented in the Bible. And believe it or not, Judas is not the only tortured soul to suffer such a fate.

I hope you put the date on your calendar and come hear about ways you might help someone who is contemplating suicide, and what your best responses might be to the loved ones left behind. I also hope you keep the subject in mind while you pray during the month of September. Pray for a better social understanding of suicide. Pray for a more compassionate spiritual understanding of suicide. And while you're at it, pray that we find a way to fill the hopeless with the hope of Jesus our Christ, so that suicide might truly become a thing of the past.

See you in church,

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“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

Painting Pottery for Empty Bowls

August 9th, from 9:00-12:00, we will be having an Empty Bowls painting party at Rinn UMC in the fellowship hall. It's \$15 to paint a bowl, which will then be used in the [Empty Bowls fundraiser](#).

If you paint a bowl with us, you can get a discounted ticket to the event, which features soups, salads, breadsticks, and desserts, as well as carnival games and a silent auction.

Contact Sue Mercer with questions.

Palisade Peaches

Bonnie selling delicious Palisade Peaches again this year, to be delivered during the 1st to 3rd weeks of August.

- Small box of 18-23 peaches \$39
- Large box of 36-44 peaches \$58

There is an order form in the Narthex, or email <mailto:bonnieclark318@gmail.com> . Make checks payable to Bonnie Clark.

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.

Rinn Back-to-School Ice Cream and “Talent” Show

Enjoy homemade ice cream, a chance to socialize, and a show featuring the many talents of the Rinn community, September 6th at 3:00pm.

Would you like to perform in the show? Have you always wanted to show off your ability to sing, dance, play an instrument, or recite the “Who’s on First?” skit with your best friend? Sign up on the sheet on the welcome table with who’s in your act, a short description, an approximate amount of time it will take, and an email address where someone in your group can be contacted. Or just talk to Suzanne. If we have too many acts, priority will be given to those that contain a participant under 18. Talent is permitted, but certainly not required.

Do your talents tend more to the visual or tactile arts? Do you draw, paint, sculpt, sew, knit, crochet, or quilt? We will also be having a display for those kind of talents! Sign up with your name and the approximate size of the piece you want to show.

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.

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.

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.

Refreshments After Worship

- August 3rd:
- August 10th:
- August 17th:
- August 24th:
- August 31st: POTLUCK!!!!

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
August 3, 2025 ~ 9:30am

Scripture

Hosea 11:1-11

Message

“The Terrible Twos”

Livestreamed on Facebook:

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

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

“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.

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!

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!

Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

Dacono, Frederick & Firestone

303-444-3043

Rinn Cowboy Christian Fellowship

Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

8/6/2025

Hillbilly Aliens

Cowboy Fellowship at the Boulder County Fair

Sunday, August 10th at 10:00am

Indoor Arena at the Boulder County Fairgrounds

**Featuring Speaker Terry Lewis and Musician Aubree
Bullock Napier**

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- For victims of the flood in Texas and for the families of those who lost loved ones in the flood.
- For Barry and his family on the loss of Barry's daughter Jessica, who is now at peace in the arms of Jesus.
- For Denise's friend who suffered damage to her house from a microburst in Dacono.
- From Justin, for guidance for Hunter.
- From Eric, for Justin, who always asks prayers for others but not for himself.
- Prayers for the family of Tom Mason, who passed away Monday morning.
- For Lacy's coworker who fell at the worksite and is now in hospice care.
- For Scott's cousin's father who is in hospice.
- For those who lost a loved one in the recent shooting in New York, and for all those affected by violence here and around the world.
- For Alex and family as they move their lives from Colorado to Las Vegas.
- For Peace in Gaza and Ukraine, and all other war-torn areas in our world.
- For Patty, who lost her husband Vincent.
- Travel mercies for all those traveling this summer.

HEALING

- From Colleen, for 9-year-old Fayden, who is still having health issues after a heart-transplant, although the heart is good.
- For Rob who has throat cancer and prayers that God will take cancer out of this world completely.
- From Eric, for Hal, who is still in the hospital, and for Hal's wife Lisa.
- From Lacy, for Manny who suffered a serious work accident.
- For Don Leach who had surgery for infection in his knee.
- For Tammy, who is home and receiving continuing care for her Pulmonary Hypertension and Diabetes.
- For Justin & Eric's Uncle Mark, that he find good medical care for his continuing intestinal problems.
- For Janice's daughter-in-law Sue, a double lung transplant recipient having other health troubles.
- For Sue, who fell and hurt her knee. She is going into a rehab facility for healing.

- For Diana's daughter, who has finished cancer treatment and is doing well, continued healing.
- For Nancy Hulstrom, who had a Cochlear implant on July 25th, a successful healing.

THANKSGIVING

- God bless all our organ donors.
- For Suzanne, who's subbing in the church office.
- For those who participate in the ministries of the church and who keep our church buildings and grounds safe and operational.
- For the ability to travel, and prayers for all those who are on the move for recreation or relocation.
- That the tsunamis in the Pacific had minimal human cost.

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](#).

August Birthdays

- 2 Josh Hunt
- 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
- 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)
- 23 Michael & Barb Abney (1975)

This Week at Rinn

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

Friday 8/1

7:00pm New Hope AA in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday 8/3

8:00am Adult Bible Study

8:15am Men's Koffee Klub

9:30am Worship Service

Tuesday 8/5

1:00pm Knitter's Group

Wednesday 8/6

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