

Rinn Newsletter 4/2/26-4/8/26

From the Minister's Mac

"The Unexpected"

We left California early in the morning, hoping to beat the infamous rush-hour traffic. We were pleased that volume was not heavy yet and traffic was moving right along.

Then we saw it, the electronic traffic alert sign, reading: "Incident at Crenshaw. 4 left lanes closed." Now, there were only 5 lanes on this freeway, which meant every car to the left of us began merging over — not always safely — while some tried to change four lanes at once to get to the nearest offramp.

We opted to stay on the freeway since traffic was still moving, however slowly. When we finally reached Crenshaw, we expected to see the cause of the "incident," maybe a multi-car crash, or some debris spilled on the road. We had no idea what to expect but hoped it wouldn't be tragic.

There was nothing there.

A few miles down the freeway, we spotted two Cal-Trans trucks parked in the left shoulder. No debris on the road. No people standing around. No work being done. No lane closures. Traffic opened up as we passed the trucks and we were finally on our way home, happy to be moving, but frustrated that the traffic alert had been wrong — unless we define "incident" very differently.

Thinking theologically, I wondered if our feelings came close to what Mary felt when she discovered the empty tomb? She expected one thing and encountered another, was prepared for an emotional task and found herself wondering what had happened. While I don't believe a miscue on the freeway is the same as the miracle at the tomb, I know that there have been other times that I was surprised by events that didn't happen as planned, then ended up seeing God's hand in the unexpected.

What is our response when the unexpected occurs? Do we stay the course, or look for a way out? Do we leave or believe or proclaim? Do we see God's hand in a day that is derailed? Do we look for the miracle, even if we are looking through tears?

Food for thought as we end our Lenten journey at the empty tomb. See you in church,

Lin

"But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb." John 20:11a

Our Lenten and Easter Worship Schedule at Rinn

Sunday Worship During Lent:

4/1 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE — 7PM: John 13:1-16, 31b-35

Tonight, we take on the role Jesus told us to fill — that of a servant — by washing one another's feet or hands. No communion will be served at this service.

Special Music: by Shelly Anderson, Janice Bachmann and Rhonda Ritter

4/2 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE — 7PM

“At the Foot of the Cross” — A Drama for Good Friday by Rev. Lin Cheek

As events unfold after Jesus' arrest, his mother Mary, Mary Magdalene and Joseph of Arimathea try to comfort one another. The service includes special music and Scripture.

Here is What's Happening Easter Sunday!

4/5 EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE — 6:30 AM: Colossians 3:1-4

Focus: Remember, you have died in Christ and are raised with Christ. Hallelujah!!

Special Music: by Shelly Anderson

POTLUCK BREAKFAST BETWEEN THE TWO SERVICES, BEGINNING AT 7:30 AM-

***[A sign up sheet is in the narthex.](#)

TRADITIONAL EASTER SERVICE — 9:30 am: John 20:1-18

Focus: Faith. The faith of the disciples led them to the resurrection. Where does our faith lead us?

Communion will be served at this service.

Special Music: by Rinn Choir and Scott Anderson

Please join us for the 10:30am Easter Egg Hunt!



~ Rinn Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook

April 5, 2026 ~ 9:30am

Scripture & Message

April 5, 2026

SCRIPTURE: John 20: 1-18

“Faithfulness”

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](#)

Don't Forget Your Coins for Lent!

If you participated in the "Coins For Lent Calendar" and put a coin in a jar during Lent for different items each day, don't forget to bring all the spare change you collected to church on Easter Sunday. Our money will be combined and counted, and a check for the total amount will be given to Carbon Valley Help Center as a Lenten Offering from Rinn UMC. If you didn't use the calendar but would still like to contribute some spare change, please feel free to put some coins in the bucket!



This Week at Rinn

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

Wednesday 4/8

8:45am Brunch Bunch Breakfast at
Doug's Diner

10:30a Bible Study at Bev Ramsey home

7:00pm Cowboy Fellowship

Thursday 4/9

7:00pm Movie Night at Rinn

Friday 4/10

7:00pm New Hope AA

Sunday 4/12

8:00 am Adult Bible Study

9:30am Worship Service

Sinecera Care



Sinecera Care is a local company that is connecting seniors (62+) with trusted local advocates who help with everyday tasks so older adults can continue living independently at home. That can include things like light housekeeping, errands, tech help, meal prep, yard work, wellness visits, organizational assistance, shopping, laundry, or simply spending time with someone who could use a little extra company. Sinecera Care does NOT provide any medical care or transportation. Friends and Family of seniors can give your loved ones the gift of community, health, and independence! The cost is \$29/hour, with most of the proceeds going to support your local Neighbor.

You can find Sinecera brochures on the table as you walk into the narthex (next to the Upper Room books) for more information. You can also go to their website <https://www.sinecera.care/> to sign up and get more info or text/email David at David@Sinecera.Care | 303-550-4050 .

Refreshments After Worship

April 5-Breakfast after Sunrise Service

April 12th-

April 19th-

April 26th-

May 3rd-

May 10th-

***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)



Camp Buckhorn Registration is Open

[Camp Buckhorn](#), the Methodist summer camp west of Fort Collins, is open for registration. If you have children, grandchildren, or other kids who are close to you who are entering the 3rd through 10th grades, it's a great experience and a lot of fun! The UMW offers scholarships to send the kids. Kids can pick whichever session is most convenient for them and their families. Talk to Sharon Goldade for more information.

Update on Noah's Community Outreach

If you would like to donate items for this community outreach program, please contact Justin Presnall or Betsy Foushee for more information.

Thank You!

Betsy
bfoushee@hotmail.com



Bowling Sunday April 19, 2026

On April 19th, Sharon Goldade will be taking us all bowling! Hang around after church, and we'll have a pizza lunch before heading to [Centennial Lanes in Longmont](#) from 12:00pm to 2:00pm for an afternoon of fun. (This event is for everyone ages 2-106.)

A sign up sheet is in the narthex.



Movie Night at Rinn



Please join us every 2nd and 4th
Thursday of each Month at 7:00pm.
The April dates are the 9th and 23rd .
If you have any questions,
Please contact Shelly Anderson.

“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.

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!

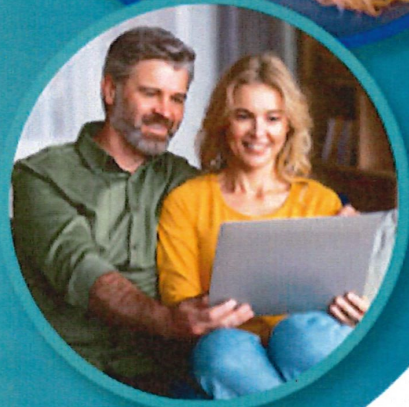
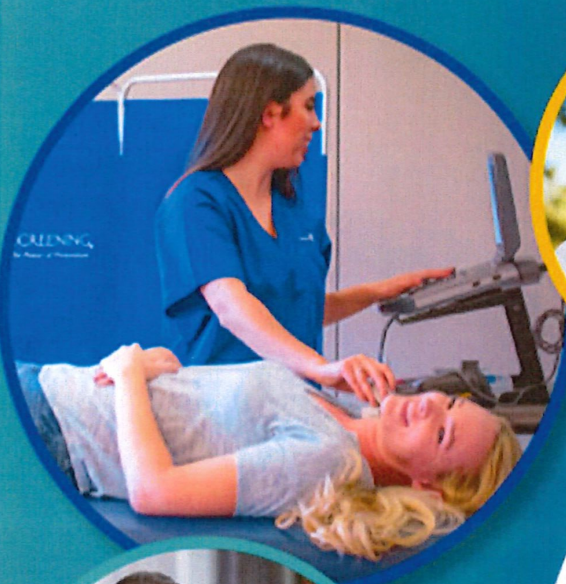
Cowboy Fellowship 7:00pm



**Wednesday Night’s
at Rinn UMC**

April 8, 2026

Wanted



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Rinn United Methodist Church
3783 Bella Rosa Parkway
Fredrick, CO 80504
April 21st, 9 AM – 5 PM

Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk** Screenings.

Trusted by over 11 million customers.

Screenings are simple and painless. Get peace of mind or early detection.

Who should attend:
Anyone **age of 40+**

Special Pricing for \$129

- ♥ Carotid Artery Disease Screening
- ♥ Atrial Fibrillation Screening
- ♥ Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening
- ♥ Peripheral Artery Disease Screening

4 ways to book your appointment...

Call **800-324-9458** and use promo code **HABC001**

Visit  **LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC**



Text the word **"circle"** to **216-279-1607**

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.

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- Patsy's grandson Joshua, luck in house hunting
- Patsy's granddaughter Iola as she defends her dissertation.
- Annie's sister in dealing with the death of her partner Brian and her own Alzheimer's.
- Bill in adjusting to being on oxygen all the time.
- Sheila, as she aids her mother and husband through their health difficulties.

HEALING

- Healing for Linda B as she recovers from a fall and a possible separated shoulder.
- Healing for Toni D as she awaits treatment.
- Healing for Lin's brother Steve as he undergoes his second leg surgery so he can be fitted with a prosthesis.
- Healing for Eric and his stoma site from his surgery two years ago.
- Healing for Brenda who was not feeling well Sunday.
- Healing for all those dealing with cancer.
- Healing for Sheila's husband Doug, who has been ill.
- Healing for Janice H. who was in the hospital.
- Healing for Gene Creech who has stomach cancer.
- Healing for Scott is still suffering from the Shingles virus.
- Healing for Janice, as she improves and enters rehabilitation

THANKSGIVING

- Joy of having Hunter in worship with his new daughter.
- Thanks for Ashton's new baby girl.
- Thanks for Julie's 2 year anniversary of her second kidney transplant.
- Thanks to musicians who share their talents.
- Thanks for our educational opportunities, especially for Abby who will start classes at Front Range this fall, and for Patsy's grandson Josh who finished med school and got a residency match in Florida.
- Thanks for Suzanne for covering for Rev. Lin on Palm Sunday.
- Paige is grateful her test is over and now awaiting results-thanks for all of the prayers!
- Dan for a successful move and all the people who helped him.
- Diana for the support and prayers she's received from this church
- Bill for his new walker
- Scott for a normal MR

If anyone needs to be taken off or added to this list please email the church office at

Info@rinnumc.org.

April Birthdays



1 Garry Wilson	20 Britt Hulstrom
5 Norma Parsons	21 Michael Diaz
11 Matthew Kemnetz	21 Keith Oliver
12 Eileen Hinkle	25 Zadia Diaz
12 Pastor Robin Riley	25 Mark Mann
16 Justin Goetze	28 Andrea Finney
16 Matthew Presnall	28 Jeff Shaw
18 Marvin Van Dyke	30 Ethan Diaz

Happy April Anniversary To...

10 Wayne & Marsha Wood (1971)

Rinn United Methodist Church Leadership

The Administrative Council meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our leaders who keep your church running smoothly are listed below:

Chair of Church Council: Janice Bachman
Lay Leader: Bonnie Clark
United Methodist Women: Sharon Goldade
Treasurer: Sue Mercer
Finance Secretary: Steve Sterkel
Finance Chair: Janice Bachmann
Nominations: Rev. Lin Cheek
Worship Committee: Betsy Foushee
Office Manager: Julie Stirm
Audio/Visual Tech Chair: Wayne Vinson
SPR Chair: Janice Bachmann
Members: Eric Presnall, Linda Rinn,
Scott Lawrence, Diana Murray, Dave Boyd,
Mike Carr, Rusty Goetz