

Rinn Newsletter 3/5/26-3/11/26

From the Minister's Mac

“Receiving, Deflecting and Including”

In our Lenten Study group this week, we looked at how we receive compliments, considering whether we receive them with grace and thanks, or deflect them, believing we don't deserve the honor. Actually, I believe there is more going on in our brains when we respond to comments of approval and praise.

When folks tell me, “Your message was speaking to me today,” I usually respond with, “Praise God!” I have also responded to positive comments about a group project with, “Well, it was a team effort.” When someone tells me that I have really brought about church growth, I answer, “It's because of all of us! Because this is a wonderful church!” Is that deflecting, or giving credit where credit is due?

We do seem to be socialized for modesty, which is what Paul recommends in his letter to the church in Rome: “For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned” Romans 12:3. Most of us were taught to be humble and consider humility a Christian trait. But it is important to recognize our gifts and graciously accept praise when others recognize our gifts as well.

What is a humble response to a compliment? The other day, Brian told me my banana bread was delicious and I replied, “I have my moments.” That is definitely deflection and a simple “Thank you,” would have been acceptable. But what about those times when it is appropriate to share the praise with others? Perhaps the best response is, “Thanks for my share, but the whole team deserves credit,” or, “Thank you; praise God!” When we truly recognize that we are fearfully and wonderfully made, we might be inclined to think more of our gifts and talents, and more willing to receive acknowledgement of them.

How do you receive compliments, you marvelous, extraordinary people? Food for

thought on your Lenten journey.

See you in church,

Lin

“I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.” Psalm 139:14

Refreshments After Worship



March 8-Aleta & Val

March 15-Kermit

March 22-Paula Clapp

*****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)

Update on Noah's Community Outreach

DATE CHANGE!!!

Backpack stuffing is now planned for **Saturday, March 7, at noon.** Come on to Justin's place! Justin will cook a main dish, please bring sides if you want to. We will eat together and then make quick work of the Backpacks.

Betsy

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This Week at Rinn

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

Monday 3/9

7:00pm Monday Night
Lenten Study (Zoom)

Wednesday 3/11

9:00am Brunch Bunch Breakfast at Doug's Diner
10:30am Bible Study at Bev Ramsey's House
7:00pm Cowboy Fellowship

Thursday 3/12

7:00pm Movie Night at Rinn

Friday 3/13

7:00pm New Hope AA

Sunday 3/15

8:00am Adult Bible Study
8:15am Men's Koffee Klub
9:30am Worship Service (Blaine Lee playing bagpipes)

~ Rinn Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook

March 8, 2026 ~ 9:30am

Scripture & Message

March 1, 2026

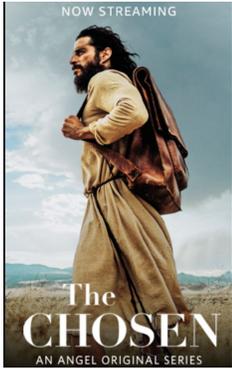
John 4:5-42

"New Life"

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](#)



Movie Night at Rinn

Please join us every 2nd and 4th
Thursday of each Month at 7:00pm.
The next movie night is March 12th and 26th
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**

March 11, 2026

Margaret & Betsy

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.



Daylight Savings Time Begins

Don't forget to turn your clocks an hour forward after midnight on Saturday March 7th.

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 :)



OUR LENTEN AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT RINN

SUNDAY WORSHIP DURING LENT:

- 3/8 John 4:5-42** Jesus offers a new concept of bread and water, and a new kind of life! Special Music by Closer Walk.
- 3/15 John 9:1-41** Would we witness about Jesus if we knew we would be run out of town, like the blind man? Special Music by Blaine Lee on Bagpipes.
- 3/22 John 11:1-45** Transformative faith calls us to join Martha's confession and proclaim, "Yes, Lord, I believe!" Special Music by Rinn Choir
- 3/29 Matthew 21:1-11** **PALM SUNDAY!** Jesus enters Jerusalem and many wonder who Jesus is. Special Music by Rinn Choir.
- 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.
- 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**

TRADITIONAL EASTER SERVICE — 9:30 am: John 20:1-18
Focus: How do we respond to transformation? Do we leave? Believe? Proclaim? Or all of the above? Communion will be served at this service.
Special Music: by Rinn Choir and Scott Anderson

MONDAY NIGHT LENTEN STUDY

A Four-Week Study via Zoom

“GIFTED & TALENTED:

Discover and Use Your Spiritual Gifts”

3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23 at 7:00 PM

Using Rev. Jeremy Scott’s book, “Gifted & Talented: Discover and Use Your Spiritual Gifts,” we will explore using the gifts we know we possess and developing gifts we might not have discovered yet! This study is based on Scripture and includes an AI Gifts Assessment of your Spiritual Gifts. See Rev. Lin to sign up and get a book.

3/2 Lenten Study Week One — You have a part to play!

In Romans 12:1-13, Paul encourages believers to use their gifts. He also warns, “don’t think of yourself more highly than you ought,” but Rev. Scott suggests, “our modern problem is often the opposite: we think too little of ourselves and our gifts. We are all gifted. The first step is to recognize and name those gifts.”

3/9 Lenten Study Week Two — The Speaking Gifts

In 1 Corinthians 14:1-12, Paul is providing space and opportunity for people to grow and share their gifts. This week, we explore the gifts of Prophecy, Teaching, and Exhorting and Look at practical ways we build up, clarify, and challenge one another in daily life.

3/16 Lenten Study Week Three — The Action Gifts

In the Gospel of John, Chapter 13:12-20, Jesus demonstrates the power of servant Leadership. This week we explore the gifts of Serving, Giving and Leading, and discuss how they are expressed through simple kindness, practical generosity, and servant-hearted Influence.

3/23 Lenten Study Week Four — The Heart and the How

In the Gospel of John, Chapter 8:1-11, Jesus stops a stoning and, perhaps more miraculously for his time, does not condemn the woman awaiting her fate. This week, we explore the core gift of Mercy as the choice for reconciliation over retribution, and to synthesize the entire book’s content into a practical, actionable plan for living out our gifts in every area of life.

To sign up for the Lenten Study please email Rev. Lin Cheek at revlincheek@gmail.com

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- For those in war torn areas, and for those experiencing violence on their streets.
- Travel mercies for all those on the road in this cold and windy weather.
- For all who mourn.
- For Colleen on the loss of her son.
- For Diana and family following the memorial service for her daughter.
- For Eric and Justin and family, on the passing of their Uncle Jerry, prayers for Aunt Pam.
- For Paige as she studies for the MCATs.
- For Sue Shields and family in the passing of her husband Bill Shields.

HEALING

- For Wayne's Aunt Linda. She was doing better but now is not. Prayers for her, for the family and for the hospice team.
- Healing prayers for Jenny and Rusty's niece April, who has cancer.
- For Steve who had his foot amputated, and for all who are dealing with diabetes.
- Aleta's brother who was diagnosed with cancer, and all those suffering from cancer .
- Patty, who fell and needs an MRI.
- For Annie's son Matthew for continued healing after surgery.
- For Genell's son Dave who has cancer on his ear and lip.
- For Kerry who is struggling with Chemo.
- That Bethany stay well and focus on self-care.
- For Oscar who was paralyzed in a car accident.
- For Toni Dellow who is awaiting test results about her internal pain.
- For Scott to fully recover from Bells Palsey

THANKSGIVING

- Bruce and Jan give thanks and are grateful for all the prayers for Amber and Jeff –Amber's surgery went well-recovery will take time.
- Mary gives thanks that son Chris found a home in Dacono.

If anyone needs to be taken off or added to this list please email the church office at Info@rinnumc.org.

March Birthdays



1 Linda Napier	18 Bonnie Clark
3 Fred Skates	22 Kathy Wolff
4 Genell Hulstrom	23 Hayden Oliver
5 Tory Hulstrom	24 Melody Johnson
9 Megan Vinson	25 Jody Collier
9 Debby Perry	25 Gillian Chapman
10 Abby Goetze	26 Morgan Boisen
17 JR Trujillo	27 Elsie Newman
17 Andrew Kemnetz	31 Dave Knowlton

Happy March Anniversary To...

If you or someone you know has a March Anniversary, Please let the church office know. info@rinnumc.org

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: 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