

Rinn Newsletter 2/5/26-2/11/26

From the Minister's Mac

"Balance"

As I write this on Groundhog Day, I can't help thinking about that crazy movie. You know the one, where Bill Murray plays an egotistical and not-very-nice weatherman who goes to Punxsutawney for the Groundhog Festival and for some inexplicable reason, lives the same day over and over again.

If you had one day to live over, what day would it be? Winning the track meet? Graduation? Going to your favorite concert? Meeting the love of your life? Your wedding day? Your promotion day? The birth of your first child? Your first grandchild?

Or would it be the day you came to Jesus? Would it be that moment you gave control of your life to God? Would it be when the Holy Spirit descended on you and showed you the path for your life? Or maybe the day you started down that path, or overcame obstacles on it?

Brian and I spent a wonderful day at the beach a few years ago, a peaceful, restful glorious, sunny day, where we thanked God for the marvel of creation and our ability to enjoy it. I wouldn't mind having another day like that, but I wouldn't want to spend the rest of eternity sitting in my beach chair, listening to the sea gulls squawking, however perfect the company was.

Balance. We need balance. Do you have balance in your life? Can you not only think of a few days that have been such a blessing to you that you wouldn't mind reliving them, but also see yourself finding new days of pure joy? Can you include some of your work or volunteer days as relivable blessings?

Sometimes balance is elusive and we have to seek it, even create it. Then there are the days we simply have to trust God for it, for it is surely part of God's plan for a healthy community. May you find balance in your days, and may you thank God for it!

See you in church,

Lin

"You therefore, beloved, since you are forewarned, beware that you are not carried away with the error of the lawless and lose your own stability." 2 Peter 3:17

This Week at Rinn

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

Wednesday 2/11

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

Thursday 2/12

7:00pm Movie Night at Rinn
7:00pm Ad Council Meeting

Friday 2/13

7:00pm New Hope AA

Saturday 2/14

Happy Valentine's Day!

Sunday 2/15

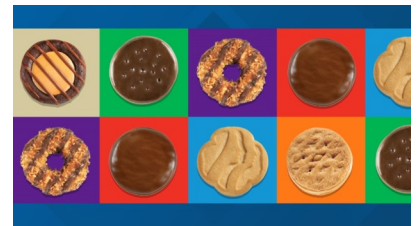
8:00am Adult Bible Study
8:15am Men's Koffee Klub

Scout Sunday is February 8, 2026

This Sunday is Scout Sunday! We will be celebrating everyone who was in scouting (and that includes Bluebirds, Campfire Girls, 4/H Club, and Boys & Girls Clubs), so wear a sash or hat or something indicative of your scouting days. We will acknowledge our scouts past and present, then thank the scouts for being here .



Troop #77914 will be here to usher and sell cookies!



~ Rinn Worship Service ~

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook

February 8, 2026 ~ 9:30am

Scripture & Message

February 8, 2026

Matthew 20:1-15

“It’s Not Fair”

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](#)

Re-Keying of Rinn UMC

Please Note:

Rinn UMC has had all of the outside doors re-keyed.

If you have an old key it will no longer work. To receive a new key please bring in your old key and contact Sharon Goldade at 303-817-3985.

PLEASE CALL SHARON-DO NOT SEND AN EMAIL.



WHO'S READY FOR SUPER

BURRITO BOWL 2026

The plan this year will be:

To start at 8 am On Saturday Feb 7th we will meet at 8 am to cook the meats (except pork) eggs and combining all ingredients together. Then at 11 we will start to assemble the burritos, starting at 11:00. Those who purchase burritos can pick them up on Saturday, February 7th after all burritos have been made. You can also pick them up on Super Bowl Sunday, February 8, 2026

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED,
SEE THE SIGN UP SHEET AT THE WELCOME
TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

- For those who volunteer will get a burrito for lunch on Saturday.
- If anyone wants to donate any of the items needed, they can call me on my cell phone, 720-253-7278 leave a message if I don't answer.
- If anyone has a food scale to weigh the mixings and cheese for some quality control I'd appreciate if they could loan them out for the day.
- Call me and let me know you're able to loan one.
- There is also a sign-up sheet for monetary donations.



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.

OUR LENTEN AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT RINN

2/18 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE — 7:00 pm

“Journey to the Cross: A Drama for Ash Wednesday” by Rev. Lin Cheek

Two Pharisees talk about Jesus, sharing their encounters with “the cause of all our trouble,” as they risk their own standing in the community trying to get to know Jesus. The service includes Scripture, music, and the imposition of ashes.

SUNDAY WORSHIP DURING LENT:

2/22 Matthew 4:1-11 How do we stand up to temptation? Does God lead us into it or out of it, or both? Special Music by Scott Anderson.

3/1 John 3:1-17 Do we have trouble understanding the lessons of Jesus? How much can we relate to the confusion of Nicodemus?

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

OUR LENTEN AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT RINN (Cont.)

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

Refreshments After Worship

February 8-Sharon Goldade

February 15– Sue Mercer

February 22-Janice Henderson

March 1-Sue Oliver & Linda Rinn

***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

Backpack stuffing planned for **Saturday, February 28, 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

bfoushee@hotmail.com



“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.



Movie Night at Rinn

Please join us every 2nd and 4th
Thursday of each Month at 7:00pm.

The next movie night is February 12th and 26th.

If you have any questions,
Please contact Shelly Anderson.

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



Lighthouse Trio
February 11, 1016

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

- For those affected by the fires in Northeast CO.
- For those in war torn areas, and for those experiencing violence on their streets, particularly in Minnesota.
- For Aleta and her family as they mourn the death of Aleta's 5 year old granddaughter who was accidentally run over on New Year's Eve. Aleta thanks the church for their prayers and said it really helps.
- Travel mercies for Bethany and all those on the road in this cold weather.
- For Diana Murray and family on the loss of Diana's oldest daughter Michelle.

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 Rev. Lin's Brother who had his foot amputated, and for all who are dealing with diabetes.
- For Amber and Jeff as Amber receives a complicated spinal/neck surgery and for a quick recovery.

THANKSGIVING

- Thanks for this church and our church family.
- Thanks for the choir and that Rhonda is our new Choir Director.
- Thanks for the moments God helps us see the small problem before it becomes a big problem.
- For Sue on the joy of her first great-great granddaughter.

February Birthdays

11 LaRissa Waneka
13 Elaine Bolton
14 Denise Stewart
17 Lisa Johnson
19 Scott Anderson
19 Larry Thompson

20 Sharon Thompson
22 Janice Henderson
26 Salem Presnall
28 Barb Abbott
28 Warren Napier

Happy February Anniversary To...

17 Glenn & Janice Bachmann (1979)

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