Rinn Newsletter 7/10-7/16

From The Minister's Mac

"Living Water"

Water is a good thing, there's no denying it. We need to drink it for our bodily health. Water is necessary for normal brain function. We use water in our religious rites to signify the Holy Spirit present in our lives. And of course, Jesus is the living water for which we thirst.

So how can water be bad? Well, ask the good folks of Kerrville, Texas. They'll tell you that when you get a flash flood with a 26-foot water surge, you can definitely have too much of a good thing.

And yet, the Living Water is being called upon while the search for survivors continues, with people from California to Arkansas, Kansas to Mexico, helping with the rescue and recovery efforts. Politicians call for prayer while the media outlets praise the community-minded Texans for their faith and determination.

I often wonder, after a natural disaster like this, why it takes a catastrophe to get politicians and newscasters to talk about faith? Why does it take human tragedy for people to pull together, forget about political differences and help one another in a time of need? Wouldn't it be marvelous if we learned to work together without the impetus of calamity? Or if we called on God to be with us before experiencing misfortune?

It has been suggested that God puts us through these great ordeals so we will turn to our Lord and walk in the way that leads to life eternal. While I don't believe God causes these disasters to teach us a lesson of love, I do believe that God walks with us through them, and that it is possible to feel closer to God in our brokenness, misery and grief than in times of prosperity and wellness. So let's learn these scriptural lessons and let them stay learned:

- 1. Stay close to God at all times, even the good times: "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you" James 4:8.
- 2. Recognize God in the midst of devastation: "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" Matthew 28:20.
- 3. Pray always, for yourself and for others: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18.

My prayer for the people of Texas and all those suffering from fire, flood, famine and war, is that they see the love of God through the compassion of others. My prayer for us is that we can be that compassion.

See you in church, Lin

> "Anyone who is thirsty may come to me! Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, 'Rivers of living water will flow from his heart." John 7:37b-38

> > Palisade Peaches

Small box of 18-23 peaches \$39

Large box of 36-44 peaches \$58

Order form in narthex. Or email <u>bonnieclark318@gmail.com</u>. Checks to Bonnie Clark

Delivery 1st to 3rd week of August



<u>~ Rinn Worship Service ~</u>

In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook

July 13, 2025 ~ 9:30am

Scripture

Amos 7:7-17

Message

"We need to talk..."

Livestreamed on Facebook: To access our Facebook page, click <u>HERE</u>. To follow along with the service, the Order of Worship is on the church website

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.





<u>Movie Night at Rinn</u>

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 24h. If you have any questions, Please contact Shelly Anderson.

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.









<u>Refreshments After Worship</u>

- July 13
- July 20—Terry & Karen
- July 27

Those cookies, cupcakes and other snacks don't appear in the Fellowship Hall by them-



selves! 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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Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

7/16/2025 -

Potluck at Shaw's lake - no Bible study

<u>Marsha is Collecting Egg Cartons</u>

Marsha needs egg cartons once more. Please leave them in the kitchen, on the counter next to the back door.



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

"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.

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!

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!

Via Mobility for Life

Providing rides for residents:

Seniors 60+, disabled, and income qualified.

Dacono, Frederick & Firestone

303-444-3043

This Week at Rinn

For more upcoming events, see our online calendar HERE.

Wednesday 7/16

8:45am Breakfast Fellowship at Doug's Diner (hwy 66) 10:30am Wednesday Brunch Bunch Bible Study at Bev Ramsey home Cowboy Fellowship: Potluck at Shaw's lake - no Bible study

> Friday 7/18 7:00pm New Hope AA

<u>Sunday 7/20</u>

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

In Our Prayers

COMFORT

 \cdot All those struggling with depression.

 \cdot For all those who are grieving this day, and especially those who have lost their children

 \cdot For Annie Finney —please pray for Annie and her son to find the right place to live that will be safe for them. She asks that it be a smooth transition from where they are to wherever they may find to live.

 \cdot For victims of the flood in Texas and for the families of those who lost loved ones in the flood.

HEALING

 \cdot Diana's daughter, who was recently diagnosed with cancer.

 \cdot For Fayden, a 9 year old who had heart-replacement surgery recently and is not out of the woods yet.

- \cdot For Denise to continue to heal.
- \cdot For Hal and his wife Lisa, as Hal is in ICU after a double lung transplant.
- \cdot For Wilda and Liz .

 \cdot For Rob who has throat cancer and prayers that God will take cancer out of this world completely.

 \cdot For Mary's brother Bob who is having heart problems.

 \cdot For Ann and others with dementia, and the friends and families that care for and support them.

- \cdot For Sue's daughter Tammy, who is in the hospital.
- \cdot For those struggling with addiction.
- \cdot For Barry's daughter Jessica, who is in the hospital

THANKSGIVING

- \cdot Those who find Jesus, even on their death beds.
- \cdot God bless all our organ donors.
- \cdot Anne Gallagher's recovery from a broken hip, and the fact that she's now at home .
- \cdot For Sue Mercer who is recovering well from knee surgery.
- · For Bethany's healing .
- \cdot For Ashley's 500 days of sobriety.
- \cdot For Birthdays and celebrations.

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 at <u>Info@rinnumc.org</u>.

July Birthdays

3 Glenn Bachmann 4 Penny Waneka 8 Toni Dellow 9 Karen Stollings 17 Teena Luehrsen 20 Justin Gray 22 Barb Abney 22 Patty Wilson 22 Mike Carr 23 Aaron Mascarenas 25 Eric Presnall 27 Graylan Presnall 29 Cindy Sherman

Happy July Anniversary To...

14 Keith & Brianne Oliver (2004)