



# Heartline

*Keeping in touch  
with the heart of  
the faith  
community of  
Richfield United  
Methodist  
Church...*

*a Reconciling  
Congregation.\**

**FEBRUARY 9,  
2012**

**Richfield  
United  
Methodist  
Church**

## Perspective matters.

...Tell me, what will you choose to do with your one wild and precious life?

—Mary Oliver

### Join us this Lent as we explore the both/and of life.

**Worship on Ash Wednesday,  
February 22 at 7:00 p.m.**

#### Wednesdays in Lent—Activities for all Ages

Community Dinner 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

6:00—6:35 p.m. Holden Evening Worship (see page 3)

#### Sunday Morning Worship Services

9:00 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary with organ and choirs

10:30 a.m. Living Waters Worship Service in the fellowship hall with a band and casual feel

11:15 a.m. Vietnamese Language Worship Service

#### Sunday Evening Taizé Worship Service

Beginning February 19 and every 3rd Sunday of the month through May

5:00 p.m. Worship Service with prayer, singing, silence, and reading of Scripture (see page 3)



*☪ Worshipping God . . . ☪ Cherishing creation . . . ☪ Cultivating wisdom  
☪ Living gratefully . . . ☪ Seeking justice . . . in the way of Jesus*

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### *\*A RECONCILING CONGREGATION ...*

*The congregation of Richfield United Methodist Church affirms that through God's redeeming love for all, we are one in Christ. We celebrate our diversity and recognize the sacred worth and dignity of all persons regardless of race, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, physical or mental capacity, education, or economic or marital status. We welcome all persons to full participation in the life and ministries of RUMC. We welcome all in our journey together in faith toward greater understanding and mutual respect.*

## Heartline Deadline

To submit an article to the *Heartline* please email it to [ldelph@richfieldumc.org](mailto:ldelph@richfieldumc.org) on or before the due date. If you don't have access to email please place a copy of your article in the newsletter mailbox at the church office.

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The deadline for the next  
Heartline is:  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

## PASTOR'S PEN

Lead Pastor's Report 2011

*Catch on fire with the Spirit, and people will come from miles to watch you burn.*  
-John Wesley



Richfield United Methodist Church has spent a year blessed by Spirit fire.

We remodeled the worship center and brought to enhanced voice the gift of our organ. Hundreds of people gathered to celebrate the rededication of our organ, and the gift continues to sound across the state on Minnesota Public Radio and every time people gather to worship God in our sanctuary. The project was marked by enthusiastic participation on the part of those who jack-hammered, hauled, and prayed our sanctuary into stunning beauty. And, Jerry Burmeister graced us with a floor in the chancel that holds our celebrations.

The Rich Field Rising Action Team has worked with the Trustees and the larger congregation to tend the vision of our Capital Campaign. Projects are being completed in the manner they were planned, and we are staying within budgeted allotments. Beyond the sanctuary and organ refurbishing, we updated our office equipment and space as well as celebrated the gift of electric doors to enhance the welcome for those with mobility issues.

We said goodbye to Pastor Max. He relishes his work at Community United Methodist Church. This is good.

We welcomed Marcia Henningson to our staff. One of our identified areas for growth is around spiritual growth for all ages. Marcia brings a fabulous ability to equip, recruit, cheer for and bless our spiritual formation outreach. She is God gift to this church.

We got word that we were chosen to be a partner in health outreach with the Park Nicollet system. This means that after years of seeking a Parish Nurse, we are able to have one present on staff. Park Nicollet will cover all benefits for this person, and will pay the salary on a percentage scale: 75% for the first year, 50% for the second and 25% for the third year. We anticipate that the Parish Nurse will work roughly 30 hours a week. We have conducted interviews and I look forward to introducing her to you shortly.

Youth went on retreats, spent time learning and laughing, and were confirmed. Children were blessed by Sunday morning, Wednesday night and you-name-it church gatherings. Adults retreated, Chewed on the Word, worshiped in one of three different worship services offered here, and grace has become more and more expansively celebrated in this Body of Christ.

One of our under sung outreach ministries is Caring for Children. Through Caring for Children 51 children are taught by staff who see the Christ in them. Caring for Children has 13 full time staff employed by Richfield United Methodist Church. Helping children grow and learn is holy work.

This past year we baptized 12 children of God into discipleship – including 2 adults. We said goodbye to more than we would like through funerals, and we welcomed new folk into discipleship life as it is lived here. We added more members than died. This is good.

I continue to marvel at the richness of humanity that is drawn to this church. We have committed and fine leaders who meet and plan and strategize and groan about more meetings to meet and plan and strategize but somehow find the passion to continue to offer this church to a world sore in need of good news.

We have welcomed two more retired clergy to our community, making us rich indeed (FIVE retired clergy!!!!). The Rev. Victoria Rebeck (Deacon in secondary appointment) and the Rev. Phillip Nguyen (Pastor, Vietnamese Language Ministry) bless our ministry in mighty ways.

Too, we have an excellent "upstairs" staff here at RUMC. To a person, they are committed to the vision and outreach of our church. We could not celebrate growth without the care and heart each brings to their ministry. The "upstairs" staff numbers 13. Please find a way to thank them for their ministry.

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## SUNDAY EVENING TAIZÉ WORSHIP AT RUMC

There will be worship in a new (for us) style at Richfield UMC. A first service of worship in the Taizé tradition will be held on **Sunday, evening, February 19<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. in the chapel of RUMC**. The service will last about 45 minutes. Future Taizé worship services will be held on the third Sunday of each month at 5:00pm through May.

Taizé worship began in France in the WWII era when a Reformed minister, Brother Roger, formed a community of persons desiring to live a life of reflection and service. That community of "Brothers" still exists in the village of Taizé and provides a form of worship that is anchored in simplicity and quietness.

Taizé worship consists of prayer, singing, silence, and reading of Scripture. The music is gentle, simple, brief, and written for the style of this service. The songs are sung many times through till one sings them automatically without effort. This repetition leads them to become a prayer that "says us" rather than our saying a prayer.

In between each reading or song there is a period of silence for personal and unhurried reflection. This adds to the meaning of the readings or music, as well as having its own richness in opening us more freely to God's presence. It also brings a wondrous sense of serenity.

There is no sermon, formal liturgy, or offering. The atmosphere is peace-giving. The style and content transcend our doctrinal and moral positions. We invite you to come for worship whose only goal is to allow ourselves in simplicity to be open to the peace and leading of God. If you have any questions, wish more background, or might be interested in being part of future services, please call Wayne Albertson (612-214-4521). We look forward to your joining us.

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## WESLEY FOUNDATION (UNIVERSITY OF MN CAMPUS MINISTRY) FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST

On **Sunday February 19**, young adults involved in the Wesley Foundation's college ministry will be joining us for worship! These college students are hosting a breakfast in the Narthex area between services to raise funds and awareness about their upcoming Appalachian Service Project summer mission trip. Please take time to ask the students about their mission trip and support them through prayer and donation as you feel called. RUMC members Shelby and Taylor Clark are members of the mission team.

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## HOLDEN EVENING WORSHIP—WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

The Season of Lent is a time in the church year that we prepare for Holy Week and the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a time set apart for introspection and to change our daily habits to better connect with our spirituality and our God. Although people do this in a variety of ways individually, we would like to invite you to experience a special midweek family worship service – Holden Evening Prayer. Lay leaders will share how they have encountered God in their own lives each week and we will worship through song and praise. Please join, all are welcome.

Worship services will take place in the Sanctuary from 6:00-6:35 p.m. on:

Wednesdays, February 29, March 7, March 14, March 21, and March 28


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## SUNDAY ADULT FORUMS

**February 19, 2012, 10:10 a.m., "How does the organ(ist) do that?!"**

Join organist Nancy Dierauer for this interesting program. Since last Easter, we have marveled at the wonderful sounds emanating from our refurbished Reuters organ. In this adult forum, held in the sanctuary, Organist Nancy Dierauer will tell us about some of the organ's key features and demonstrate how she produces such "joyful noise"!



**February 26, 2012, 10:10 a.m., Performance by  HAMLINE UNIVERSITY Hamline University Social Justice Theatre Troupe**

"The Intersection of Sexuality and Faith" - Theatrical performance in the Sanctuary. This production, created, written, and performed by Making Waves: Hamline University Social Justice Theatre Troupe, will explore issues related to sexuality, sexual orientation and faith. *It is hoped that the performance will help us grow as a Reconciling Congregation*, celebrating our diversity, recognizing the sacred worth and dignity of all persons and welcoming all persons to full participation in the life and ministries of RUMC.

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## Youth

**EGG BAKE THANK YOU**—Thanks to all who baked and served at the Youth Egg Bake Fundraiser. We had a fabulous turnout and so much food to share! We earned over \$400.00 through the generous donations of the congregation for future mission and service events. Thanks for all of your hard work, a special thanks to Sue Johnson for organizing and David Haines for his work in the kitchen.

**FAMILY NIGHT NOTE**—On Friday January 20, our church hosted a family night with Feed My Starving Children and roller skating. We had 21 people join us and packaged meals to feed 30 children for a whole year. It is a blessing to be a blessing to others! What a great event!

**L.Y.F.E CAMP REUNION**—Friday Feb 10 7:00-11:00 p.m. - Excelsior UMC (881 Third Ave. Excelsior, MN 55331) - The event is open to all who attended LYFE Camp Weeks I, II, and III in 2011 and is free. If you went to camp in 2011, you won't want to miss this!

**YOUTH BABYSITTING FUNDRAISER**—Saturday Feb 18 1:00-4:00 p.m. (**Babysitters 12:30-4:30 p.m.**)

Higher Ground Room at church—Cost: Free will offering

The youth of RUMC are offering a babysitting afternoon in order to serve the parents of our community. We see a need for parents to have time to themselves. We also like to use our gifts and skills as we serve. The youth are planning several service and justice activities in the future and are raising money for these activities and future mission trips. **Youth sign up as babysitters at the table outside the office.** Parents can also sign up their children for babysitting service at the table outside the office.

## Minnesota Annual Conference Confirmation Gathering

Friday, February 24 7-11 p.m. & Saturday, February 25 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Good Samaritan UMC, 5730 Grove Street, Edina, MN—Age: Confirmation Students—Cost: \$25, pay when registering

Plan to pick-up and drop-off at Good Samaritan UMC. Cost includes Saturday breakfast and lunch, games, and workshops. The topics will include: "A Fast and Furious Look at the Discipline of our Denomination," "United Methodism's Family Tree," "John Wesley; The Man, The Message, The Movement," "The Social Principals: Putting Love of Neighbor into Action," "Using the Quadrilateral to Make Christian Decisions," and a look at some of the Conference archives.

**All confirmands will attend this event as a requirement of confirmation at RUMC.**

## Children

### PARENTS DAY OUT - BABYSITTING FUNDRAISER

**SATURDAY FEB 18 1:00-4:00 P.M.—COST: FREE WILL OFFERING**

**Higher Ground Room at church**—The youth of RUMC are offering a babysitting afternoon in order to serve the parents of our community. Infants, toddlers, and young children are encouraged to join us for Parents Day Out. We will offer time for games, snacks, crafts, and songs with this group. Your child is sure to have a great time playing and interacting with peers and babysitters. We see a need for parents to have time to themselves. We also like to use our gifts and skills as we serve. Our group has experienced babysitters and we are happy to spend time with your children and care for them. The youth are planning several service and justice activities in the future and are raising money for these activities and future mission trips. **Parents can sign up their children for babysitting service at the table outside the office.** If you have any questions contact Marcia Henningson.

### THE ARMOR OF GOD

In Sunday School the children have been learning about "The Armor of God: from Ephesians 6:10-18 (*Finally, my friends, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might*). The children have been working on making a helmet and a breastplate over the last few weeks. They have learned how these items can be used in the everyday to protect them against evil, and provide guidance in our walk of learning and knowing Jesus's way. The children have had fun making their armor unique to them. We invite you up to the classrooms to look around.



### WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASSES FOR PREK – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**On Ash Wednesday:** There will be NO CLASSES for preK-5 grade students on Ash Wednesday. We invite your whole family to join us for the Ash Wednesday Service at 7pm.

**During Lent:** PreK-5th students will meet from 6-7 p.m. and will be exploring the sacrament of communion. Students will be divided into two age level groups so that we can present information about this sacrament in the most age appropriate manner. Additional information about the material covered during these classes will be sent home with your student(s) on the first night of class.

Please note that there are also NO CLASSES during Holy Week.

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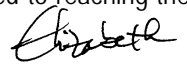
Leaders decided that we would go from a calendar year to a fiscal year for our community life. This means that new leaders will begin in the summer, stewardship will be underscored in the spring, and our budget will be from July 1 to June 30<sup>th</sup>. It seemed to the leadership that this will give new leaders a chance to settle in before the program year begins, as well as giving people a chance to link the celebration that is resurrection with the opportunity we have to give. It's a process. If you are confused, hang in there. We'll figure it all out.

As Elder appointed to this church, I serve the larger connection through membership in the Congregational Development Team, convening the United Methodists for Marriage Equality, co-leading a newly developing Richfield/Bloomington Faith in Action group in conjunction with Isaiah, and I gig with the Annual Conference band at our session in St Cloud. I meet monthly with a wondrous group of clergy colleagues in a Gateways group and see a Spiritual Director monthly.

Foci for next year?

- Continued development of passionate spirituality impacting all ages.
- Development of strong parish care system for all ages.
- Support of newly emerging Taize, Evening Prayer and other outreach ministries.
- Exploration of leadership development and community engagement through Isaiah.
- Prayerful discernment: What is God calling Richfield United Methodist Church to explore, en flesh, and celebrate?

It is great privilege to serve as your Pastor. I experience this church as courageous, real, and powerfully committed to reaching the light of hope and healing to a hungry and hurting world. I give God thanks for your ministry.



## MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY AT RUMC THE CHESTER E. AND MARION D. GROTH SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships will be awarded for tuition for the 2012-2013 school year. Previous recipients are eligible to reapply for the scholarship for up to three additional years or until a Bachelor's Degree is earned, whichever occurs first.

The purpose of this Fund is to award annual post-secondary scholarships for qualified students desiring to matriculate and pursue careers in music education, performance, or music therapy.

These scholarships are made possible by the generous gift of Marion Groth on behalf of her husband, Chester. To be eligible to receive this scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior from a Minnesota high school;
- Be entering college as a freshman;

Applications must be received in the church office no later than noon, Friday, February 24, 2012. Applicants will be notified if invited to a finalist audition on April 21, 2012.

For more information and an application form, please contact the church office. (612)861-6086 or check the church website at: [www.richfieldumc.org](http://www.richfieldumc.org) If you know of anyone that might be interested in this scholarship, please encourage them to apply.

## PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND!!!

Join Pastor Elizabeth, her partner Cooper Wigger (Pastor of Minnehaha UMC) and the Rev. Sally Johnson of Hennepin Ave UMC on a pilgrimage to Ireland September 26 – October 5<sup>th</sup> of 2012.



The trip is meant to be an opportunity to experience the "thin place" that is Ireland, create community, walk, hike, write, sing, and savor the sacred in a land that has long celebrated a Celtic connection to the sacred.

If you are interested, contact Pastor Elizabeth at [emacaulay@richfieldumc.org](mailto:emacaulay@richfieldumc.org).

The cost of the trip is roughly \$3,500 per person. Click to see the full [brochure](#) for this trip.



## ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

SERVICE AT 7:00 P.M.

WHAT IS ASH WEDNESDAY?

Ash Wednesday emphasizes a dual encounter: we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. The form and content of the service focus on the dual themes of brokenness and death in the light of God's redeeming love in Jesus Christ.

## WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ASHES?

The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Jewish and Christian worship, and the Imposition of Ashes can be a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation. This practice is the historic focus of Ash Wednesday observance and gave the day its name. *From the United Methodist Book of Worship*

# COMMUNITY OF RUMC

## DONATIONS OF SNACK ITEMS NEEDED

Our youth have high energy and sometimes need a little extra snack to keep up their busy schedules. Here's where you can help! Please pick up a post card from the Youth Ministries bulletin board. Attach the card to the item and drop it off in the office. Examples of non-perishable items we are looking for are: juice boxes, pretzels, popcorn, granola bars, strawberry newtons, crackers, caramel rice cakes.



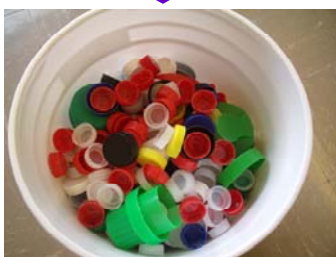
## BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE AREA TRIPS SAVE THE DATE

Have you ever wanted to canoe the Boundary waters? This is a great opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with your friends at Richfield UMC. The open skies and brilliant views of nature will captivate you and draw you closer to God.

June 10-15	Women's BWCA Trip
August 5-9	Youth BWCA/Kowaken Trip
September 16-20	Men's BWCA Trip
TBD	Young Adult/College BWCA Trip

If you are a college student/young adult interested in this trip, please contact Marcia Henningson.

**Bottle cap  
Collection  
Has  
Ended**



**We are not  
collecting bottle  
caps at church  
anymore,**

but we want you to know, now that you are aware of the need, that plastic bottle caps can be recycled at Aveda or Whole Foods locations.

## USHERS NEEDED

We are reorganizing the Ushers. There will be 4 teams of 6 ushers each week. Each team will be responsible for ushering 3 months each year. Steve Kirchner, Ralph Tarvin, Wayne Johnson and Jennifer Teal have graciously volunteered to be the Usher Captains. We need people who are willing to assist them in this very important ministry. WE NEED YOU! If you have ushered before we want you back. If you have never ushered before, that's ok too because there will be a training session. We are looking for people 9<sup>th</sup> grade to age 100. If you are interested in being an usher, please contact Kate Currie at church 612-861-6086 or by e-mail at [kcurrie@mchsi.com](mailto:kcurrie@mchsi.com)



## COMMON THREADS MILITARY DONATION

After learning the American Legion isn't sending items to the Middle East anymore, the items knitted by Commons Threads are being given out to support the Veterans Homes in Minneapolis, Hastings, and St. Cloud.

- We sent: 21 Hats
- 2 Dickies
- 1 Helmet liner
- 331 Soap and wash bags

They are now requesting mittens for men. If you have any questions, or mittens you want to donate, please contact a Common Threads member for more information.

Thank you to everyone for their hard work for our Veterans.

## RICHFIELD UMC'S OUTREACH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION

At the Annual Meeting on January 29, the youth held an egg bake fundraiser and collected \$414.00 that will go towards "mission and service." Thanks to all who served us a wonderful meal - we appreciate all your hard work.

On January 20 we had 21 people from RUMC package 11,016 meals at Feed My Starving Children, that's enough to feed 30 children for a whole year.

### Online Giving

Richfield United Methodist Church has the capability to accept donations online using your credit or debit card or checking or savings account. These donations can be regular pledges, one-time gifts, or capital campaign gifts.

Visit the Richfield United Methodist Church website, at <http://www.richfieldumc.org> and click on the Online Giving button on the left side of the home page. This will take you directly to our secure donations page.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Ross at 612-861-6086 or [sross@richfieldumc.org](mailto:sross@richfieldumc.org).

# Calendar

## Sunday, February 12, 2012

9:00 am Sanctuary Worship  
 10:10 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:10 am Middle School Sunday School  
 10:10 am Sr. High Sunday School  
 10:10 am Chewing on the Word  
 10:10 am Foundation Annual Meeting  
 10:30 am Living Waters Worship Service  
 10:30 am Vietnamese Adult Education  
 11:15 am Vietnamese Language Worship Service

11:30 am Vietnamese Children's Sunday School

11:30 am Vietnamese Language Class  
 11:35 am Chewing on the Word  
 12:45 pm Vietnamese Youth Group  
 1:00 pm UMW-Vietnamese Group

## Monday, February 13, 2012

8:00 am TOPS  
 10:00 am CFC Children's Church  
 2:30 pm Library Committee

## Tuesday, February 14, 2012

8:30 am Staff Breakfast  
 9:30 am Women's Bible Study  
 11:00 am United Methodists for Marriage Equality

## Wednesday, February 15, 2012

8:00 am Men's Bible Study  
 5:00 pm BWCA Youth Trip Planning  
 5:15 pm Dinner  
 6:00 pm Middle School Youth Group  
 6:00 pm Confirmation  
 6:00 pm Children's Time  
 6:00 pm Adult Education: Bible 101  
 6:30 pm Chancel Bell Choir

6:30 pm Spirit Express  
 6:50 pm Youth Choir  
 7:30 pm Senior High Youth Group  
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

## Thursday, February 16, 2012

9:00 am Common Threads Group  
 12:00 pm Golden Friendship Program  
 4:00 pm Heartline Deadline  
 6:30 pm Finance Committee

## Friday, February 17, 2012

10:00 am Women and the Sacred Group  
 7:00 pm Vietnamese Youth Gathering

## Saturday, February 18, 2012

8:30 am God's Hands Thrift Store  
 9:45 am TGIS Alanon  
 9:45 am Alanon Beginners Group  
 9:45 am Al-Ateen  
 1:00 pm Parents Day Out-Youth Babysitting Fundraiser

## Sunday, February 19, 2012

9:00 am Sanctuary Worship  
 10:00 am Brunch Fundraiser for Wesley Foundation College Missions  
 10:10 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:10 am Middle School Sunday School  
 10:10 am Sr. High Youth Sunday School  
 10:15 am Adult Forum: How Does the Organist Do That?  
 10:30 am Living Waters Worship Service  
 10:30 am Vietnamese Adult Education  
 11:15 am Vietnamese Language Worship Service  
 11:30 am Vietnamese Children's Sunday School  
 11:30 am Vietnamese Language Class

11:35 am Chewing on the Word  
 12:45 pm Vietnamese Youth Group  
 5:00 pm Taizé Worship Service

## Monday, February 20, 2012

8:00 am TOPS  
 10:00 am CFC Children's Church  
 6:00 pm Alzheimer's Group  
 7:00 pm Common Threads

## Tuesday, February 21, 2012

9:30 am Women's Bible Study  
 11:45 am Men's Lunch Bunch  
 6:00 pm Administrative Board  
 6:30 pm Stewardship Committee

## Wednesday, February 22, 2012

8:00 am Men's Bible Study  
 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service

## Thursday, February 23, 2012

8:00 am Heartline Stuffers  
 6:00 pm Isaiah  
 7:00 pm Adult Council

## Friday, February 24, 2012

12:00 pm Groth Scholarship Applications Due  
 7:00 pm Vietnamese Youth Gathering  
 7:00 pm Minnesota Annual Conference Confirmation Gathering

## Saturday, February 25, 2012

8:30 am God's Hands Thrift Store  
 9:45 am TGIS Alanon  
 9:45 am Alanon Beginners Group  
 9:45 am Al-Ateen

# Scripture

## FEBRUARY 12

### 6TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

2 Kings 5:1-14  
 Psalm 30  
 1 Corinthians 9:24-27  
 Mark 1:40-45

## FEBRUARY 19

### LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

#### TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

2 Kings 2:1-12  
 Psalm 50:1-6  
 2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
 Mark 9:2-9

## FEBRUARY 22

### ASH WEDNESDAY

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17  
 Psalm 51:1-17  
 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10  
 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

## FEBRUARY 26

### 1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

Genesis 9:8-17  
 Psalm 25:1-10  
 1 Peter 3:18-22  
 Mark 1:9-15

**GOLDEN FRIENDSHIP** Golden Friendship will be meeting at the church on February 16<sup>th</sup> at noon for lunch and a program about Eleanor Roosevelt.

## GRATITUDE EXTENDED TO:

**Bev and Wally Houts** who donated a laptop to the church. This laptop is being used to support the great worship that goes on during the 10:30 Living Waters Worship Service.

**Sue and Jerry Burmeister.** Sue recently dropped off new supplies for the pew pals (bags containing items to keep children entertained during worship). They have put together little crafts and other toys for the children in memory of their former neighbors who did missionary work around the world and whose passion was making children feel comfortable in hearing the word of God.

# Prayer

# Concerns

Let us keep in our prayers:

- ✠ Gratitude for new life.
- ✠ Prayers for a rebirth of wonder.
- ✠ Wisdom to speak and listen with Christ in our hearts.
- ✠ All families around the world impacted by war.

**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT HEARTLINE IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16...ONE WEEK BEFORE MAILING NEXT ISSUE!**

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### **SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS COALITION FOR GRIEF SUPPORT**

**2012 Winter/Spring Series**  
Diamond Lake Lutheran Church  
5760 Portland Ave S  
Minneapolis, 55417  
612-827-5931



Individuals may join the group at any time. For more information, contact the coordinator, Norine Larson at 952-925-2437.

6:15 p.m.	Registration and refreshments	
6:30-7:00 p.m.	Speaker	
7:00-8:00 p.m.	Facilitated small groups	
February 9	What To Do with the Stuff!	Mary Ann Kelly-Wright
February 16	Take Care of Yourself!	Carol Oldowski, R. N.
February 23	NO MEETING	
March 1	Techniques That help!	Barbara Bender
March 8	Where Is God in Grief?	Pastor Amy Thoren
March 15	Lessons Learned from Grief	Linda Pleissner
March 22	You Don't Live Without Your Loved One!	Katie Johnson
March 29	Service of Remembrance	

TRUST, Inc. is an interfaith coalition of congregations providing services in south Minneapolis.