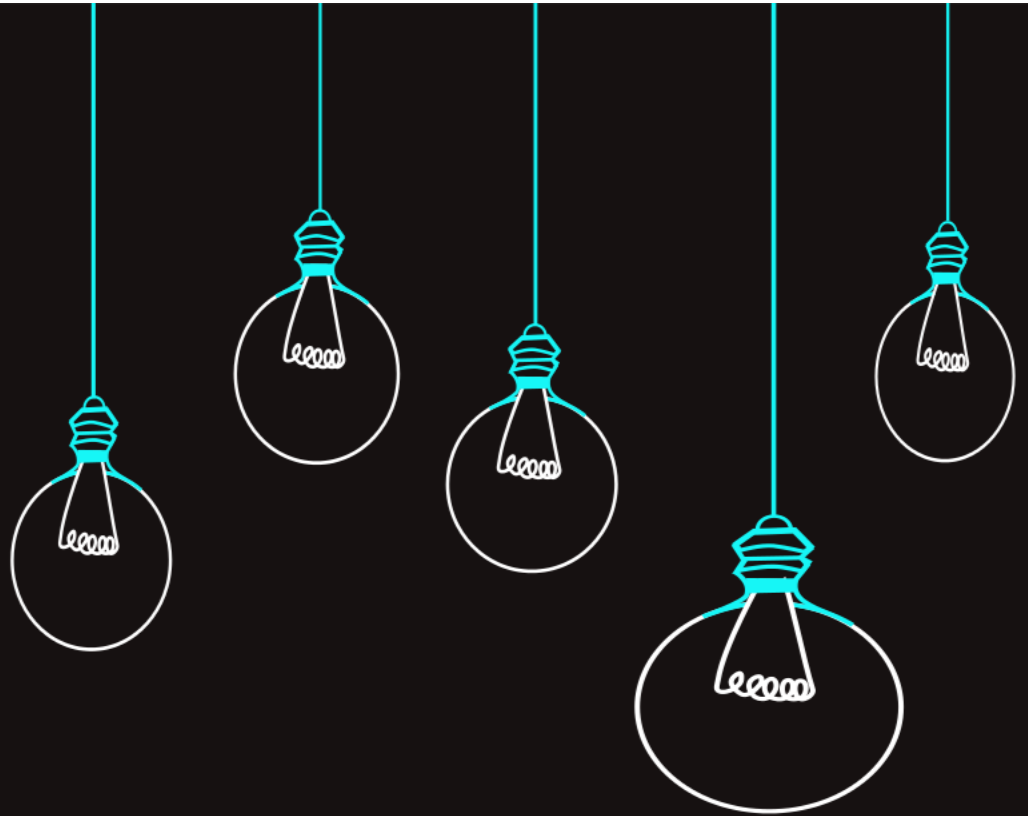




Let us worship together!

March 22, 2020 at 9:30am – 4th Sunday of Lent

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**There were many lamps
in the room upstairs
where we were meeting.**

ACTS 20:8

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Welcome to worship with Richfield United Methodist Church!

God is real. God loves you. God wants a relationship with you.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

(bold = in unison)

Gathering Music	“The Gift of Love” v. 1-3	UM Hymnal #408
Welcome		Rev. Nate Melcher
Opening Hymn	“How Can I Keep from Singing” v. 1-3	The Faith We Sing #2212
Opening Prayer	UM Book of Worship #460	Rev. Hope Hutchison

O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of the night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives. Hear us as we pray...

The LORD’S Prayer

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Time with Children

Rev. Hope Hutchison

Sharing the Peace

Rev. Nate Melcher

Please greet each other with a touch-free sign of peace.

Lighting the Conflux Candles


Psalter: Psalm 91

UM Hymnal #810

Psalm 91

Ps. 91:16,15,2
Carlton R. Young

RESPONSE (*Lent & General*)



Grant us sal - va-tion, Lord; in trou - ble be our ref - uge.

R

¹ Those who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
² will say to the LORD, **“My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”**
³ For the LORD will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;
⁴ and will cover you with God’s pinions;
under the LORD’s wings you will find refuge;
God’s faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

R

⁵ You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
⁶ **nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.**
⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
⁸ **You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.**
⁹ Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your habitation,
¹⁰ **no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**

R

¹¹ For God will command his angels charge over you to guard you in all your ways.
¹² **They will bear you up on their hands lest you dash your foot against a stone.**
¹³ **You will tread on the lion and the adder,**
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
¹⁴ Because they cleave to me in love, I will deliver them;
I will protect them, because they know my name.
¹⁵ When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.
¹⁶ **I will satisfy them with long life and show them my salvation.**

R

Scripture

[Acts 20:7-12](#)
[Ephesians 4:25-5:1](#)

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Sermon	“God, give us rules.”	Rev. Nate Melcher
Hymn	“Amazing Grace” v. 1-3, 6	UM Hymnal #378
Announcements		Rev. Nate Melcher
Closing Hymn	“God Be with You ‘Til We Meet Again” v. 1-3	UM Hymnal #672
Benediction	...and until we meet again, let us live in... faith, justice, and joy! Amen!	
Sending Music	“Namaste” by The Kennedys	(by special permission)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Kay Hann passed away on Wednesday, March 18. Memorial service pending.
- Pat Marble’s memorial service has been postponed; a new date is pending.
- Pastor Nate is hosting a new online variety show, “Camp Meetings,” on Wednesdays at 8:30pm through Facebook Live. Experience music, prayer, comedy, special guests, and connect with others as you spend “Lent in a Tent” at facebook.com/richfieldunitedmethodistchurch.
- Thanks to The Kennedys who gave us permission to stream their song “Namaste” in worship. They’ll play this and many more in a free online concert at 1:00pm today: kennedysmusic.com.
- Campus is closed on Saturdays and Sundays until further notice.
- Please avoid non-essential travel to campus on Monday through Friday, thank you.
- In-person worship is suspended. Please tune in online at youtube.com/richfieldumc.
- In-person pastoral care is suspended. The Care Team will use other means to stay in touch.
- Families Moving Forward – Barb Devlin is sending messages to unpaid servants about meals.
- God’s Hands is closed until further notice. No donations at this time, thank you.
- Please watch the mail for a letter from Pastor Nate and a special edition of The Heartline.
- Today is UMCOR Sunday. Scroll to “Give Today” to make your gift to this vital global ministry: umcsgiving.org/ministry-articles/one-great-hour-of-sharing
- Your generous giving makes an impact in the life of your church in these unprecedented times. You can give online at richfieldumc.org/give or you can contact Kathy Gertsema, Business and Administration Coordinator, for options at kgertsema@richfieldumc.org or call 612.861.6086. You can ask your bank if they offer a “BillPay” option. Thank you for your extravagant generosity!
- If you need pastoral care or other assistance, please contact the church immediately.
- Call each other. Email each other. Pray with and for each other. It is time to connect, friends.

WORSHIP TEAM:

Musicians: Greg Locke (guitar), Devon Olson (bass), Victor Zupanc (keys, vocals)
Liturgy: Rev. Hope Hutchison and Rev. Nate Melcher
Tech: TY Moore and Dale Olson
Building: Pat Noonan

**Thank you for worshipping as Richfield United Methodist Church.
We hope you had a good experience.**

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