
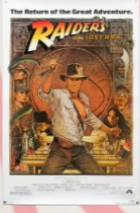







July 11, 2021 at 9:30am—7th Sunday after Pentecost  
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# SUMMER AT THE MOVIES

				
<b>July 4</b>	<b>July 11</b>	<b>July 18</b>	<b>July 25</b>	<b>August 1</b>
Pee-wee's Big Adventure	Raiders of the Lost Ark	Inside Out	Soul	My Girl
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## ENTRANCE

(bold = in unison)

Prelude

“Andante from Sonata 2 in A minor”  
 Catherine Carson, violin  
 Groth Scholarship recipient

by J. S. Bach

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher

Call to Worship (Psalm 24)

Rev. Hope Hutchison

The earth is God’s and everything in it.  
**We belong to our God.**  
 Lift up your voices in praise and thanksgiving.  
**We lift our voices in glory and honor to God.**

1. **Blest are they, the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow;  
they shall be consoled.**

Refrain:

**Rejoice and be glad!  
Blessed are you, holy are you.  
Rejoice and be glad!  
Yours is the Kingdom of God!**

2. **Blest are they, the lowly ones;  
they shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they who hunger and thirst;  
they shall have their fill. [Refrain]**
3. **Blest are they who show mercy;  
mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart;  
they shall see God. [Refrain]**

### Centering Prayer

**God of grace and glory, renew us with your presence this day. As we gather to bless your name and sing your praise, bless us with your glorious love and your guiding light. Strengthen us each and every hour, through the power of your Holy Spirit and the wisdom of your holy word. In hope and joy, hear us now in our Breakthrough Prayer...**

### Breakthrough Prayer

**Loving God of all, renew our hearts and minds.  
Reveal your wildest dreams, break through to each of us.  
Unite us in your vision, equip us for your work.  
Transform us by your song, create our harmony.  
May we embrace your future, and be your loving church. Amen.**

*Please join your church in praying the Breakthrough Prayer daily at 8:35.*

### Time with Children

#### Sharing the Peace

**May the peace of God be with you.  
And also with you.**

*Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace.*

### Lighting Our Conflux Candles

*You are invited to safely light a candle or lamp to celebrate the moments this week where your life's journey met God's heart.*

### Celebration Music

**“Caprice No. 9 in E Major”  
Catherine Carson, violin  
Groth Scholarship recipient**

by Paganini

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### Scripture in Context

What good is it, my siblings, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith. You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder. Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith apart from works is barren? Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness,” and he was called the friend of God. You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. Likewise, was not Rahab of Jericho also justified by works when she welcomed the messengers and sent them out by another road? For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon                      Raiders of the Lost Ark: “How do I make the right choice?” Rev. Nate Melcher  
   “Summer at the Movies” Worship Series 2 of 5

Prayers of the People

LORD in your mercy,  
 hear our prayer.

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.**

Giving Our Tithes, Offerings, and Ourselves

*Your gift by mail, phone, or through the secure online portal at [richfieldumc.org/give](http://richfieldumc.org/give)  
 supports the ministry, outreach, and operations of your church.  
 Thank you for your extravagant generosity.*

Offertory                      “The Lone Wild Bird”    The Faith We Sing Hymnal No. 2052

1. **The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with you, nor leaves your sight.  
 And I am yours! I rest in you, Great Spirit, come, and rest in me, too.**
2. **The ends of earth are in your hand, the sea's dark deep and far-off land.  
 And I am yours! I rest in you, Great Spirit, come, and rest in me, too.**
5. **O Search me, God, my heart reveal, renew my life, my spirit heal;  
 for I am yours, I rest in you, Great spirit, come, rest in me, too.**

Doxology

UM Hymnal No. 94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
 Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Prayer of Gratitude

Blessed One, you offer a redemptive inheritance sometimes beyond our imagination. You graciously bestow each of us with your wisdom, grace, forgiveness, and love. Joyously, we share these tithes and offerings. As you call us to give, you remind us to place our hopes and dreams in your love and grace. Thank you, God, for giving us your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. We pray in His name. Amen.

## THANKSGIVING

### Celebrating Our Conflux Moments

Gracious and loving God, thank you for the precious moments in which we felt you close to us this week. Continue to break through to each of us with your Holy Spirit and reveal your amazing love to as many people as possible. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

## SENDING FORTH

### Sending Hymn

“The King of Glory Comes” The Faith We Sing Hymnal No. 2091

#### Refrain:

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.  
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

1. Who is the King of glory; how shall we call him?  
He is Emmanuel, the promised of ages. [Refrain]
2. In all of Galilee, in city or village,  
he goes among his people curing their illness. [Refrain]
3. Sing then of David’s son, our Savior and brother;  
in all of Galilee was never another. [Refrain]

### Benediction

...And until we meet again, let us live...  
in faith, justice, and joy! Amen.

### Postlude

“Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream”

by Pete Seeger



Thank you for worshipping as Richfield United Methodist Church.  
We hope you had a good experience. Worship is over. Service begins.

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[richfieldumc.org](https://richfieldumc.org) | [Richfield UMC on Facebook](#)  
Get on the email list: [richfieldumc.org/signup](https://richfieldumc.org/signup)

Welcome Groth Scholarship recipient Catherine Carson! Catherine will be a sophomore at Eastman Conservatory of Music in Rochester, New York. She is studying violin performance and is a graduate of Shattuck St. Mary’s and Northfield High School.

### Worship Team:

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation  
Musicians: Greg Locke, Devon Olson, Victor Zupanc  
Liturgists: Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher  
Tech Crew: Rev. Bill Johnson, Dale Olson

Richfield UMC gathers on Dakota land. More at [richfieldumc.org/land](https://richfieldumc.org/land).

## An Everyday Prayer Life Is for Everyone

You are invited to devote time and energy to God and neighbor every day to pray for:

- Open minds and hearts for “conflux moments.” May all experience God in their lives.
- People in need of a loving church home. May they be embraced as beloved children of God.
- Our fellow MCCI church, First UMC: Windom. May the Spirit break through.
- We pray for all Minnesota Annual Conference churches leading into General Conference 2022. This week we pray for: Rapha Tabernacle of Glory (Saint Paul), Recovering Love Church (Richfield), Recovery Church (Saint Paul), Renville UMC Southern Prairie (Renville), Resurrection UMC of Hastings, Richfield UMC (Minneapolis), Richville UMC (Henning), Ridgeway -Witoka UMC (Dakota), River Hills UMC (Burnsville), Riverside UMC (La Crescent).
- We pray for all Annual Conferences of the United Methodist Church leading into General Conference 2022. This week we pray for: South Africa Provisional Annual Conference, South Carolina Annual Conference, South Congo Annual Conference, South Georgia Annual Conference.
- Children near and far, all beloved of God. May all be shown safety, stability, and care.
- People facing the brokenness of inequities, poverty, loneliness, racism, toxic politics, complex family systems, and other pressing challenges amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic. May all who do justice and love mercy rise up as active, partnered signs of God’s healing love.
- Our church’s people, elected leaders, paid staff, and partners. May the Spirit break through.
- Ourselves in this moment here and now. May we feel God’s creativity, Jesus’s hope, and the Holy Spirit’s call in our struggles, our celebrations, and our whole lives.

### Prayers for Healing:

Paula Milani, Marylee Fithian, Maxene Schwanke, Jan Hansen, Joyce Walls, Agnes Danzl, Sara Watne’s sisters, Hope and Lora, Laurel Lien, Lenny Klosinski, uncle of Steve Klosinski, James York, father-in-law of Randy Matheus, Mary Martha Butler, Christie Neuger’s brother, Doug Cozad, Dorothy Holland, Mitzi Taylor, John Cogan, Barb Rogers, and Lori Claussen.

### Prayers for Comfort:

Betty Donovan, mother of Barb Rogers, and all those in hospice and their families.

### Worship Online

In-person worship and gatherings in the building are suspended and we continue on an open-ended timeline. Read the latest information at [richfieldumc.org/statements](http://richfieldumc.org/statements).

### Campus and Administration

Campus is closed, including God’s Hands Thrift Store (no donations as this time, thank you).

### Church staff is available by email or phone

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[Linda Schmidt](mailto:linda@richfieldumc.org), Program and Communications Coordinator



## Connect as Richfield UMC

All gatherings happen through Zoom online video conferencing unless otherwise noted.

### Next Sunday

Richfield UMC worships at the **Lake Harriet Bandshell** next Sunday July 18 (10:00 am) This delightful tradition returns after a year hiatus. We are proud to be involved in this ecumenical cohort of churches who lead worship for the city at the bandshell all summer long. Bring sunscreen and a water bottle, street parking and pay parking available. The plan for online and touch tone phone worship is to feature a reprise of the most-recent outdoor worship service from June 13 that day.

### Online Vacation Bible School!

#### July 12-16

A mix of video sessions, virtual hangouts, and fun at-home activities. Also, opportunities for children to come to campus for some outdoor, socially distanced activities! [Register here](#). Contact Rev. Hope Hutchison with any questions at [hhutchison@richfieldumc.org](mailto:hhutchison@richfieldumc.org).

### Youth Group

Contact Garrett Johnson, Youth Leader, for all the details at [gjohnson@richfieldumc.org](mailto:gjohnson@richfieldumc.org)

- Youth Bonfire Night—Fri. 7/16, 7–10 pm
- Youth Mini Golf and Pizza—Sun. 7/18, after the service at Lake Harriet

### Summer Worship Series #2

**“SUMMER AT THE MOVIES”** July 4-August 1 You do not have to watch the movie beforehand to get something out of the sermon, though it will certainly enhance your experience. Invite your “movie buff” friends to worship with you!

#### July 11: Raiders of the Lost Ark

How do I make the right choice?

#### July 18: Inside Out

How do we talk about mental health?

#### July 25: Soul

How do I live my best life?

#### August 1: My Girl

How do we move on?

See the [Heartline Newsletter](#) for more info.

### The Church Office/Campus Is Open

The church office and campus is open, with operating hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

**The Church Library is open when the campus is open.** Stop by to look through the new books and check-out a book to read.

### In-person worship resumes on campus Aug. 1

As announced in worship on Sunday, June 6, Phase 1 of in-person worship and gatherings in the church building begins August 1, 2021. Read more [here](#).

## Ongoing and Open

**1st Mondays, 1:30 pm | Women Who Read**  
August 2: **What You Have Heard Is True** by Carolyn Forché. Contact, email [both](#) [Fern Albertson](#) and [Molly Reko](#)

**Tuesdays, 9:30 am | Women’s Bible Study**  
Contact [Molly Reko](#) to get connected.

**Wednesdays, 9:00 am | Men’s Bible Study**  
Contact [Kent Johnson](#) to get connected.

**Saturdays, 8:30 am | Men’s Support Group**  
Contact [Kent Johnson](#) to get connected.



### Check-In

Help your church track worship trends, thank you. [richfieldumc.org/hereiam](http://richfieldumc.org/hereiam)



### Worship by Touch Tone Phone

Friends and family who aren’t online can listen to worship live by touchtone phone. Call toll-free at 1.888.650.5835. “Press 1” to opt-in to receive an automatic call on Sundays as worship begins.



### Latest from Richfield UMC

Weekly announcements, events, worship preparation, and reflection, [sign up](#).



### Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is available from the clergy team, Parish Nurse, and care ministry volunteers. You don’t have to go through times of sickness, loneliness, or hurt alone. If you need prayer or other pastoral care, please contact [Kay Bergeland](#).

### Worshipping from Home

**Prepare your worship space with care and delight.** Download or print a bulletin and safely light a candle or lamp. Find more tips at [richfieldumc.org/live](http://richfieldumc.org/live).

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