



May 22, 2022 at 9:30 am
6th Sunday of Easter



ENTRANCE

bold = in unison

***Rise** in body or spirit

+Wear a mask if you sing

Prelude

"Praise to the Lord"
String Ensemble

arr. T. Quigley

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher

The LORD's Prayer

Rev. Hope Hutchison

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.

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.

Gathering Hymn*+

"Sing of the Lord's Goodness"
Vs. 1 and 4

by Ernest Sands

1. Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.

Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.

Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.

4. Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet,
praise God with the lute and harp;
praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing,
praise God till the end of days.

Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.

Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.

Celebrating Our Conflux Moments

Time with Children

*Children of all ages are invited to experience a message just for them.
Parent/guardians are welcome to join their children too.*

Sharing the Peace

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

Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture in Context

Gospel Reading

Psalm 150

NRSV

Praise the LORD!
Praise God in the sanctuary;
 praise God throughout the mighty firmament!
Praise God for wondrous mighty deeds;
 praise God according to all surpassing greatness!

Praise God with trumpet sound;
 praise God with lute and harp!
Praise God with tambourine and dance;
 praise God with strings and pipe!
Praise God with clanging cymbals;
 praise God with loud clashing cymbals!
Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!

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

Sermon

“For Joy”
“X Marks the Spot” Worship Series 4 of 5

Rev. Nate Melcher

Hymns of Hope and Faith
Presented by The Chancel Choir

Poem

“Translucence”
Wayne Albertson, reader

by Denise Levertov

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

arr. D. Forrest

“Rise and Shine!” Spiritual/arr. Rollo Dilworth

Sharing Our Gifts

*Your gift in-person, by mail, or online at richfieldumc.org/give
supports the ministry, outreach, and operations of your church.
Thank you for your extravagant generosity.*

Offertory

“Blessed Assurance”
String Ensemble

arr. L. Hohlstadt

Doxology*+ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UM Hymnal 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 / 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.

THANKSGIVING

Hymns of Hope and Faith
Presented by The Chancel Choir

Poem

“Of Love”
Wayne Albertson, reader

by Mary Oliver

“Come By Here”

arr. Kyle Pederson

“O God Beyond All Praising”

arr. Dan Forrest

Hymn

When in Our Music God Is Glorified
Vs. 1 and 5

UM Hymnal No. 68

1. When in our music God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried
Alleluia!

5. Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always
Alleluia!

SENDING FORTH

Benediction

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

Postlude

“Amazing Grace”

by Pardini

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

Hello, guests! Welcome to worship as Richfield UMC. It's a big step to come to a new church and we're glad you're here. If you have questions, please ask any church member, and we hope you have a good experience.



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, May 22

Sunday School

Today children leave worship following the Time with Children for Sunday School outdoors weather permitting. As always, children are welcome in worship. Contact: Rev. Hope, hhutchison@richfieldumc.org.

Maple Syrup for sale in the Commons today. Proceeds support scholarships for youth summer camp.

Livestream Rev. Hope's Ordination Ceremony!

Tuesday, May 24 at 7:00 pm, facebook.com/minnesotaumc Livestream the Service of Ordination and witness Rev. Hope be ordained. You do not need a Facebook account to livestream the event.

Next Sunday, May 29

Online-Only Worship—youtube.com/richfieldumc or 888.650.5835

As announced at the church conference on January 30, the elected leaders of Ad Board approved a proposal to intentionally hold online-only worship with no in-person option on May 29, 2022 (Memorial Day weekend).

Semi-Annual Meeting / Church Conference

Sunday, June 5 at 10:30 am in-person and online by Zoom

Meeting ID: 842-4704-2137, Passcode: 5835 Or call in: 312.626.6799 (standard rates may apply) There will be a brief church conference for the purpose of voting on new elected leaders immediately following worship. In-person attendance is encouraged, and a Zoom option will be available

Outdoor Worship is Summer Second Sundays

Mark your calendar for three outdoor worship services this summer. These services are in-person only and will not be livestreamed or recorded for rebroadcast (an alternative online worship experience will be available online and by phone on these days). You are invited to these unique, live in-person only worship gatherings with your church.

June 12 at 9:30am, Richfield Bandshell - Graduation Sunday and Blessing of the Bicycles

We'll have a baptism that day and we will honor all 2022 high school and college graduates affiliated with the church. Also, please bring your bicycle and helmet (or motorcycle!) and receive a special blessing for safe journeys as we get back outdoors in the summer weather.

Additional Outdoor Worship Second Sundays"

July 10 at 10:00am, Lake Harriet Bandshell. Please note the special start time for all summer services at the Lake Harriet Bandshell.

August 14 at 9:30am, Richfield Bandshell

Ongoing and Open

1st Mondays, 1:30 pm | Women Who Read

June 6: A Thousand Ships by Natalie Haynes

Contact Fern Albertson, wfalbertson@gmail.com, to get connected.

Tuesdays, 9:30 am | Women's Bible Study

Contact Molly Reko, mollyreko@comcast.net, to get connected.

Wednesdays, 9:00 am | Men's Bible Study

Contact Kent Johnson, kentjmn@gmail.com, to get connected.

Saturdays, 8:30 am | Men's Support Group

Contact Kent Johnson, kentjmn@gmail.com, to get connected.

Families with Young Children are always welcome in worship!

Here are some options to help your family have a good experience when worshipping in the Sanctuary:

The Nook - A space connected to the Sanctuary perfect for having a quiet or wiggly moment.

Art Cart - Children can fill a bag with items in The Nook to bring with them to worship with their families in the pews.

Time with Children - Children of all ages are invited to experience a message just for them. Parent/guardians are welcome to join their children too.

Sunday School - Following Time with Children, from September-May, children may worship or go to Sunday School. Meet your teachers in the Nook. There is no Sunday School on "Children First" Sundays, the 1st Sunday of the month.

Nursing Mothers - You may nurse wherever you like. There is also a reserved Nursing Room available near the Library area.

An Everyday Prayer Life Is for Everyone

May we devote time and energy to God and neighbor and pray every day for:

- Open minds and hearts for "conflux moments."
- People in need of a loving church home.
- Our church's journey toward vitality.

Our prayers are a beautiful expression of care and solidarity for each other.

We pray in celebration.

We pray with gratitude.

We pray for those who are ill: Paula Milani, Marylee Fithian, Joyce Walls, Laurel Lien, Caroline Riley, Bill Hillger, Jane Parry, Curtis Stull's stepson, Robert McCoy, and Agnes Danzl.

We pray for those who seek comfort.

We pray for those who grieve:

- * The family, especially Don, and friends of Sharon Morrow who died earlier this year. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on Tues., May 31, 11 am. A visitation and fellowship time will be the hour prior to the service.

We pray for our neighbors.

We pray for all in the RUMC community.

Please call the church office to be included in any of the prayers of our church.

This Week's Calendar

The church office/Campus is open Tues.-Thurs., 8am-4pm.

The Church Library is open when the campus is open.

Sunday, May 22, 2022

9:30 am Worship Service
(+Live streamed & archived)
9:45 am Sunday School

Monday, May 23, 2022

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

9:00 am CFC Children's Church
9:30 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

9:00 am CFC Soccer
9:00 am Men's Bible Study

Thursday, May 26, 2022

Friday, May 27, 2022

10:30 am CFC Soccer

Saturday, May 28, 2022

8:30 am Men's Group
10:30 am Saturday Covenant Group

Sunday, May 29, 2022

9:30 am Online Service
(No In-Person Worship)

Monday, May 30: Building Closed

We thank those who help make this worship a ministry of grace:

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

Musicians: Chancel Choir, Paige Armstrong, Director
Nancy Dierauer, organ/piano, RUMC Director of Music
Carolyn Liptak - violin, Rachel Jensen - violin II,
Mac Johnson - viola, Pat Norton - cello

Poetry - chosen and read by Rev. Wayne Albertson

Liturgists: Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher

Tech Crew: Dan Bur, Rev. Bill Johnson, TY Moore, Steve Warner

Please let the church office know if you or someone from the church is hospitalized or immediately pre or post hospitalization. As care team member in-person visits are on hold, the care extended by the Parish Minister team will come in a phone call or hand-written note. The Parish Minister for the week of May 22 is Gretta Thorson.

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