



RICHFIELD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 12, 2022 at 9:30 am
Trinity Sunday



bold = in unison

*Rise in body or spirit

ENTRANCE

Prelude

“Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord” by Stephen Schwartz

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher

Gathering Hymn*

“Lord of the Dance”

by Sydney Carter

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:

Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came to me and the dance went on. *Refrain*

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance and I still go on. *Refrain*

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. *Refrain*

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.

Blessing of the Bicycles

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be ever at your back.
May all your journeyings be joyous. And until we meet again.
May God hold you (and your bike!) in the palm of God's hand.
Ride in peace and safety. Amen.

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.

Celebration Music

“Fire and Rain”

by James Taylor

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture in Context

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSV)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of God and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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

Sermon

“What about doubt?”
“So Many Questions” Worship Series 2 of 9

Rev. Nate Melcher

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

“Life Is a Gift”

by John Waller

THANKSGIVING

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.

Celebrating Our Graduates

April Bur
Ryder Whitaker

God of love and God of grace, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth. Bless these young people on the milestone of graduation. May you bring them peace.

You are a surrounding God! We thank you for those who taught them, who raised them, who worked beside them, and who supported them along the way.

As they journey into goodness and celebration, we give thanks for the gift of your creative energy at work in their lives. May you bring them joy.

You are an empowering God! May they feel your loving presence with them up on the highest of mountaintops.

As they journey through confusion and anxiety, we give thanks for the gift of your guiding energy at work in their lives. May you bring them hope.

You are a sustaining God! May they feel your loving presence with them down in the lowest of valleys.

As they go from this time and this space, in your promise may they know that you go with them. May the love of Christ live loudly in their hearts every step of the way.

You are a renewing God! May these graduates be filled by your Holy Spirit to do good in all ways, in all places, and to all people. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Sending Hymn*

“I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord”

by Brian Wren

I come with joy to meet my Lord,
Forgiven, loved, and free,
In awe and wonder to recall
His life laid down for me.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share
Each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
And strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord.
His presence, always near,
Is in such friendship better known:
We see and praise him here.

Together met, together bound
We'll go our diff'rent ways,
And as his people in the world,
We'll live and speak his praise.

Benediction

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

Postlude

“Let It Be”

by Lennon and McCartney

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

Congratulations graduates!

April Bur: Southwest High School

Lauren Gunderson: The University of St Thomas

Kayla Matheus: Loyola University

Ryder Whitaker: Richfield High School

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, June 12

Outdoor Worship is Summer Second Sundays—Mark your calendar for three outdoor worship services this summer, 6/12, 7/10, and 8/14. These services are in-person only. An alternative online and phone-in worship experience will be available those days.

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

Next outdoor worship: July 10 at 10:00 am, Lake Harriet bandshell

The Reconciling Ministries team of Richfield UMC will meet briefly following worship today, June 12th. Please gather at the end of worship near the bandshell and we will find a comfortable place to be. We will converse about the upcoming Pride Festival and Parade ('March') to be held on June 25 and 26, 2022, and share any initial ideas about those activities and resources by which we may more clearly uphold our identity as a Reconciling Congregation.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) Begins Today

At "To Mars and Beyond" VBS we'll be learning all about how God's love is out of this world! VBS will be June 12-15, from 5-7pm at our church building. [Register](#) contact Rev. Hope at hhutchison@richfieldumc.org.

30 Days of Prayer for CFC

All church members are called to pray for CFC families and staff here and yet to come. We have a critical need for more CFC staff and are hiring for part-time and full-time positions. Please spread the word and share our ad on [Facebook](#) and the [church website](#). If you have a person who loves kids and is looking for good work, please get us connected, thank you.

Reconciling Ministries

The Pride Festival and March schedule (June 25 & 26) are posted on a bulletin board and on a table in the commons. Opportunities to volunteer and participate are explained. RUMC, with other churches, will provide an active United Methodist presence in and support of Pride activities. For more info, or to express your interest, please see Wayne Albertson.

Free Summer Movie Nights

Wednesdays, June 29, July 6, 13, 20, & 27

5:30 pm Picnic on the lawn, eat your dinner brought from home

6:00 pm Movie begins

Watch a family-friendly movie. Bring your own dinner to enjoy on the lawn and then at 6:00 pm watch the movie. Movies will be held indoors with our giant projector screen. We'll have snacks. Everyone is welcome. The following Sunday's sermon will be inspired by that Wednesday's movie.

Wednesdays, June 29: Minions, July 06: Encanto, July 13: Enchanted

July 20: Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey, July 27: The Wizard of Oz

Ongoing and Open

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

July 11: Fresh Water for Flowers by Valerie Perrin

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

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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, Agnes Danzl, and Joan Hanson

We pray for those who seek comfort.

We pray for those who grieve: Andi and John Olson and family in the death of Andi's brother, Justin Pusey.

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, June 12, 2022

- 9:30 am In-Person Worship Service at Richfield Bandshell (636 East 66th St., Richfield, MN)
- 9:30 am Online Worship Service (pre-recorded)
- 10:35 am Reconciling Team Meeting
- 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 13, 2022

- 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

- 9:00 am CFC Children's Church
- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study
- 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

- 9:00 am CFC Soccer
- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Thursday, June 16, 2022

Friday, June 17, 2022

- 10:30 am CFC Soccer

Saturday, June 18, 2022

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

Sunday, June 19, 2022

- L.Y.F.E Camp Week Begins
- 9:30 am Worship Service
(+Live streamed & archived)

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

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

Musicians: Joel Arpin, Greg Locke, Rev. Nate Melcher, Victor Zupanc

Liturgists: Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher

Tech Crew: 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 June 12 is Pat Norton.

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