



RICHFIELD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 11, 2024 at 9:30 am
Richfield Bandshell

**AND I SAY
IT'S ALL RIGHT
THE BEATLES AT THE BANDSHELL**

richfieldumc.org

Bold = in unison

*** Rise in body or spirit**

ENTRANCE

Prelude

"Ob La Di Ob La Da"
The Living Waters Band

by Lennon & McCartney

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher

Gathering Song*

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Prayer of St. Francis; adapt. by Sebastian Temple
Music by Sebastian Temple

1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring you hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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

Sharing the Peace

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

Please greet your neighbor with a mutual sign of peace.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Reflection Music “I Wanna Hold Your Hand” by Lennon & McCartney

Scripture in Context

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:25-34

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

“So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon “What is a religious revolution?” Rev. Nate Melcher
“And I Say It’s All Right: Beatles at the Bandshell” Worship Series 3 of 3

Faith, Justice, and Joy as the Church

Sharing Our Gifts

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

Offertory Music

“In My Life”

by Lennon & McCartney

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.

SENDING FORTH

Sending Song*

“Lord I Want to be a Christian in My Heart”

Spiritual/adapt. & arr. By William Farley Smith

1. Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
2. Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
4. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

Benediction*

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

Postlude

“Maybe I’m Amazed”

by Paul McCartney

**Worship is over. Service begins.
Go forth as Richfield United Methodist Church.**

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.

RICHFIELD UMC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual Fall Food Drive Begins Today

The drive runs August 11-September 29 and benefits VEAP, our longtime partner who is celebrating 50 years serving the community. Be sure to pick-up the list of most needed items.

Summer Worship Series: “SO MANY QUESTIONS” Continues

Hybrid: In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online

Prelude begins *before* 9:30 am, please arrive early

This year, the “So Many Questions” topics are based on online search results about religion reported by Answer the Public and the latest data research reports on the state of religion in the US from Mission Insight and Springtide Research Institute. We are blessed to be a church where questions are welcome.

August 18 - Is God a Swiftie?

August 25 - Can anything be a spiritual practice?

Coffee with the Pastor—9:00 am-12:00 pm, most Tuesdays

Sign up: calendly.com/natemelcher Pastor Nate is meeting with church members like you to check-in, connect, and pray. Sign up with the calendar link or call the office. Meet at Starbucks (54th and Lyndale). Your drink is on Pastor Nate!

2024 Is Our Church’s 170th Birthday

This milestone birthday is our chance to celebrate our ministry and outreach in the community since 1854. **In August, we are finalizing our plans for the fall celebration, so we want to hear from you now!** To help your church celebrate 170 years of history and dreams of what’s to come, please contact Pastor Nate at nmelcher@richfieldumc.org or 612-861-6086.

Sunday, September 1—Online Only Worship

9:30 am, youtube.com/richfieldumc or 888.650.5835

Summer Holiday Worship Series: “Best Supporting Actor” Online-Only

May 26 (Memorial Day weekend), **July 7** (Independence Day weekend), and **September 1** (Labor Day weekend) During these special online-only worship services, Pastor Nate preaches a 3-part interconnected sermon exploring the relationship between Jesus and Nicodemus in the Gospel of John. Please do not come to campus these Sundays; instead, experience worship online, thanks.

Mark your calendars now

- Sunday, September 8, 9:30 am
Rally Sunday with Sunday School kick-off
- Sunday, September 15, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm
Penn Fest: Visit the Richfield UMC booth and check out all the action along Penn Avenue from 62nd to 76th Streets which is closed to motorized traffic during the event. Explore the avenue filled with music, dance, sports, games, crafters, artisans, kids activities, Pet Zone, delicious food, small business marketplace, community groups, school groups and more.

Ongoing and Open

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

Please note that in September the meeting will be the second Monday. To join by Zoom, email Fern wfalbertson@gmail.com. **The book for Sept. 9, 2024 is *The Fire Keeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley.** If you are a woman who enjoys good books and thoughtful discussion, then consider joining fellow readers for Women Who Read.

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:

- for the marriage yesterday, Aug. 10, 2024, of RUMC members, Juan Nieves Lebrón and Amanda Beardsley.
- for the marriage on July 25, 2024, of Eliza and Lyra Thorne. Lyra is an RUMC member and daughter of Rhonda and Dale Olson.

We pray with gratitude.

We pray for those who seek healing: Paula Milani, Laurel Lien, Agnes Danzl, Lee Weiser and Richard, Jim Vetsch, Robert McCoy, stepson of Curt Stull, Rev. Marylee Fithian, Harvey Ehman, brother of Roxie Hillger, Mitzi Taylor, Don Morrow, Lori Claussen, John Darling, and Michele Wegscheid and family.

We pray for those who seek comfort: Winona Davis.

We pray for those who grieve:

Susan (SK) Johnson and her niece, Wendy, as they grieve the death of Wendy's mother and Susan's sister-in-law, Donna.

We pray for our neighbors and 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, August 11, 2024

Fall Food Drive Begins, through Sept. 29

- 9:30 am In-person worship at the Richfield Bandshell
- 9:30 am Online Worship Service

Monday, August 12, 2024

- 7:00 pm Church & Society Meeting

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study

Thursday, August 15, 2024

Friday, August 16, 2024

Saturday, August 17, 2024

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

Sunday, August 18, 2024

- 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, Steve Klosinski, Greg Locke, Rev. Nate Melcher, Victor Zupanc

Liturgists: Rev. Nate Melcher

Tech: TY Moore

Please let the church office know if you or someone from the church is hospitalized or immediately pre or post hospitalization. The pastoral care team is available to extend care and provide support in times of need. The Parish Minister for the week of August 11 is Jerry Schilling.

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