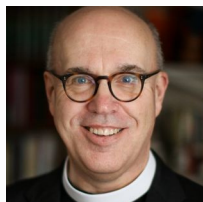


Richfield Lutheran Newsletter

OCTOBER 2024

Welcome to Richfield Lutheran
Church

**“Together we will Be the church
by living our God’s gifts in the community
and the world!”**



By Pastor Brian Mundt
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Ruminations from the Pastoral Pasture

New beginnings! Fresh starts! I always loved the beginning of a new school year: new books, new schedules, new teachers—everything new! Of course, life is filled with lots of new beginnings: birth, graduation, and marriage being the biggies. And retirement, as I’m really feeling it approach. For you: a new pastor, soon! And, if you “drill down,” each new day is a new beginning. God is up to something new here. Welcome it!

Throughout the Bible, especially obvious in the psalms, there is a threefold pattern of (1) orientation, (2) dislocation, and (3) new orientation. That is, first we had the way things are, then something happens that upsets that normal, and then, we find ourselves in a “new normal.” That is, we do not return to the way things were, instead, we get a new beginning. We need to mourn the loss of the “old normal,” but some of us get stuck there, and never get around to welcoming the new normal, the new beginning. Behold, here is a new beginning, a fresh start: live into it!

Jesus loves you, and so do I,

-- Pastor Brian



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Upcoming Services and Events:

- Sunday, October 6: 9:30 Worship w/communion
- Sunday, October 13: 9:30 Worship
- Tuesday, October 15: Operation Christmas Pack @noon
- Sunday, October 20: 9:30 Worship w/communion
- Friday, October 25: American Guild of Organists Recitals, 7:30
- Sunday, October 27: 9:30 Worship Reformation Sunday (Wear Red!)
- Thursday, October 31: Halloween
- Sunday, November 3: All Saints Sunday



Bible Study Online with Pastor Brian

WEDNESDAYS @ 1:00 p.m. using Zoom Video Meeting.

Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89753063690>

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Stewards of God's Abundance. God has blessed us with an abundance of resources. How might we celebrate the abundance that God has entrusted to our care, as well as the ways that God is calling us to share this abundance with our neighbors? Read 1 Kings 17:8-16, Mark 6:30-44, Acts 2:43-47, and Acts 4:32-35.



Call Committee Update

We started this adventure with six candidates that the synod thought would be a good fit for us. The Call Committee unanimously voted for one and the Council unanimously agreed. As soon as various process details are completed, and barring unforeseen roadblocks, our next step is to schedule a congregational meeting to vote to offer a call to this individual as Richfield Lutheran's next pastor! That day, you will hear about him from the Call Committee and why he was our choice. Keep in mind that our candidate is also discerning if this is the right direction for him, so this is a progress report, not a "done deal." This has been a serious yet exciting process for the Call Committee. We trust that God has been with us along the way and will continue to guide us and our candidate through the rest of the process. Please keep the Call Committee and the candidate in your prayers.

Susan Anderson



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October Birthdays

10/13 Maureen McGinty
 10/18 Carol Gnerer
 10/28 Barbara Bachman



Thank you to Bich Ngoc Nguyen (via Kurt & Linda Falkman) who made a generous donation to be used to benefit the CELC. Bich Ngoc Nguyen and Kim Cuong Nguyen resided with Kurt & Linda when they were younger and attended RLC. They loved so many people here at RLC and wanted to give back!

What are YOU Thankful For?



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American Guild of ORGANISTS

SAVE THE DATE for an ORGAN EVENT!!!



On Friday evening, October 25 at 7:30 RLC is going to host the Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists for a Members' Recital!!!

9 Organists will be playing music on the theme "The Many Moods of Dance" as well as a potpourri of composers whose anniversaries relate to 2024. From a Bolero to a Nigerian folk dance, to Bach that "could" be a dance, the program is creative and exciting! And the concert is FREE!!!! Bring your friends and neighbors for an eclectic evening of music!!!

The organists who will be playing are the following: David Jenkins, Samuel Libra, Joel Anderson, Jeremiah Knudson, Mary Joy Rieder, Samuel Holmberg, Isaac Drewes, Ju Young Lee (with Betsy Allison, piano), and Carolyn Diamond.

For more information go to <https://tcago.wildapricot.org/>
 Carolyn Diamond



Operation Christmas Child

You are invited to participate in our Operation Christmas Child Packing Event on Tuesday, October 15th at noon in the South Community Room at RLC. Our goal is to pack 75 boxes this year (last year was 68). Donations are still being accepted. Contact Kathy Lindquist or the RLC Office if you have any questions.

**A fun outreach activity for all! We hope you can join us!
 Family & friends welcome!**

Suggested donations:

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| Flashlights (extra batteries) | Small Tools | Dolls |
| Solar Calculators | Pencil Sharpeners | Scissors |
| Sunglasses | Wash cloths | Puzzles |
| Child size socks | Child tee shirts | Jump Ropes |
| Toys (Yo-Yo's, Toy Cars, etc) | Small Sewing Kits | Colored Pencils |
| Sidewalk Chalk | Pencils/ top erasers | Markers |
| Glue Sticks | Balls | pens |

Larger 'Wow' gifts that would fit in a shoebox



TRUST Inc moves into fall with the following events and initiatives happening throughout the months ahead:

- Sep 19-Oct 24 - The South Minneapolis Grief Group starts their fall weekly sessions 4:30 – 6 pm @ St Joan of Arc
- Oct 03 - Lunch & Learn IT bring a photo memory for creative learning with local artist and author Karla McGray
- Oct 19 - Small Business Fall Market 10 am – 3 pm @ Diamond Lake Lutheran Church with a FREE Covid & Flu Shot Booster Clinic 11:am - 2pm
- Oct 23 - South Minneapolis Senior Fair 9am-2pm
- Oct 27 - Sunday Supper Oktoberfest featuring music by The Jolly Huntsmen Polka Band Trio

Newsletter

About our Newsletter

We try to make the RLC Newsletter available and easily accessible to all our members and friends. Here is a reminder of the way we distribute the newsletter:

- Physical copies are mailed to members with no e-mail addresses. (or if they simply wish to receive a hard copy in the mail).
- Members with e-mails are sent a pdf of the newsletter
- Printed copies are available in the office.
- Available on our website.

Contact the RLC Office if you have any questions.



Volunteers are still needed for a variety of ministries at RLC Let us know if you can help!

Readers Ushers
AV Operators Funerals
Hosts for Coffee Hour
Meals on Wheels Drivers
Communion Assistants



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Daily Bible Readings for October:

Tuesday, October 1

[Zechariah 8:18-23](#)

Wednesday, October 2

[Matthew 18:6-9](#)

Thursday, October 3

[Psalm 8](#)

Friday, October 4

[Romans 8:1-11](#)

Saturday, October 5

[Luke 16:14-18](#)

Sunday, October 6

[Mark 10:2-16](#)

Monday, October 7

[Psalm 112](#)

Tuesday, October 8

[Deuteronomy 24:1-15](#)

Wednesday, October 9

[Matthew 5:27-36](#)

Thursday, October 10

[Psalm 90:12-17](#)

Friday, October 11

[Deuteronomy 5:22-23](#)

Saturday, October 12

[Matthew 15:1-9](#)

Sunday, October 13

[Mark 10:17-31](#)

Monday, October 14

[Psalm 26](#)

Tuesday, October 15

[Revelation 8:1-5](#)

Wednesday, October 16

[Obadiah 17-21](#)

Thursday, October 17

[Psalm 91:9-16](#)

Friday, October 18

[Luke 1:1-4 & 24:44-53](#)

Saturday, October 19

[Luke 22:24-30](#)

Sunday, October 20

[Mark 10:35-45](#)

Monday, October 21

[Psalm 37:23-40](#)

Tuesday, October 22

[1 Samuel 10:17-25](#)

Wednesday, October 23

[John 13:1-17](#)

Thursday, October 24

[Psalm 126](#)

Friday, October 25

[Hebrews 7:11-22](#)

Saturday, October 26

[Mark 8:22-26](#)

Sunday, October 27

[Mark 10:46-52](#)

Monday, October 28

[John 14:21-27](#)

Tuesday, October 29

[Acts 9:32-35](#)

Wednesday, October 30

[Matthew 20:29-34](#)

Thursday, October 31

[Romans 3:19-28](#)



On Sunday, November 3, 2024, we pause to remember our departed loved ones at our **All Saints worship service**. We honor those who have left this world, yet whose faith lives on through us. Early in the service, we will read aloud the names of all members and loved ones who have died in the past twelve months, ring a bell in their memory, and light a candle. If you have a loved one you would like named, please let Bonnie know by Tuesday, October 29th and their names will also be included in this meaningful service.