

Heartline

Keeping in touch with the heart of the Richfield United Methodist Church faith community.

January 2019



Social Justice Speaker Series The Advocates for Human Rights: Overview of Immigrant & Immigration issues

Monday, January 14, 2019

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Richfield United Methodist Church

The Richfield UMC Social Justice committee invites you to the first in a series of events centering on social justice topics with implications for all of us. The first event is on Monday, January 14, 2019 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Come as we welcome to Richfield UMC The Advocates for Human Rights. The Advocates for Human Rights is an independent, nonpartisan non-profit organization founded in 1983 that is at the forefront of the world's human rights movement. For more than 30 years, The Advocates for Human Rights has provided innovative programming that has changed the lives of refugees and immigrants, women, ethnic and religious minorities, children, and other marginalized communities. They investigate and expose human rights violations, represent immigrants and refugees seeking asylum, train and assist groups that protect human rights, engage the public, policy-makers, and children; and push for legal reform and advocate for sound policy.



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PASTOR'S PEN

by Pastor Eric Elkin



When there's no vision, the people get out of control,
but whoever obeys instruction is happy.

Proverbs 29:18

One of my favorite games growing up was called, "Kick the Can." It was a game which required friends to play, the larger the group, the better the game. We played it outside when the evening started to turn to night. A #10 can was placed on the ground underneath an outside light. The person who was, "It," placed their foot on the can, closed their eyes and counted to 100. As soon as their eyes were closed, everyone sprinted off to a hiding place. When the person counting reached 100, they started looking for those who were hiding.

The game was basically the same as, "hide and go seek," with one twist. If someone who had not been caught was able to kick the can, everyone already captured got to go free. The "twist" was the feature which could make the game annoying. If the can got kicked too many times, the person who was "It" would get angry and quit. Or, a big argument would break out destroying any sense of fun.

I think of that game every time I read a reference to Proverbs 29:18. This verse is used in every place of faith working on a vision for their ministry. What the author of Proverbs understood as vision and what modern planners understand is different. Proverbs understood vision as the ability to see and encounter God. When you can't see God, people argue and call each other names. Eugene Peterson probably gives the best translation for the verse in *The Message*: "If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; But when they attend to what [God] reveals, they are most blessed."

In 2017, Pam Serder and a group of members from RUMC, formed a vision team to explore the future of ministry in this place. This group envisioned our congregation being more intentional with engaging the immediate neighborhood. Some of their ideas were put into place and are now showing signs of growth. We are seeing an increase in the number of people attending community events. Several new families are starting to worship here and are considering joining the congregation.

Worship and Sunday School attendance this fall has been excellent. Many great things are happening here and now. However, we do need to continue living into the vision this team presented. We need to remain focused on re-visioning how we do ministry in the 21st Century. At the core of this vision is seeing what God is doing in this place.

Adding new programs is an exciting thing to do for any congregation. However, if all we do is add-on, the burden will be too great for the people to carry the load. The question I am presenting to the leadership of Richfield UMC and every member is, "How can we do what we do more efficiently?" A more accurate way to describe this is to say, "We need to live like a congregation of 130 that is growing, rather than, a congregation that used to worship 300 and has shrunk." There is a big difference between these two mindsets.

If we continue to live as a shrinking congregation, it will feel like someone keeps running and kicking the can out from under us. Every time we think we are making progress something will happen to set us back. Eventually, all enthusiasm for the game will be lost.

The conversation I see taking place is a culmination of all the preaching I have done in November and December. Our ministry needs to claim the joy and hope we discuss in Advent. It needs to face the challenge of stewardship and claim the heart like it did for Melinda Roberts McCabe. This is an exciting time to be our congregation. But even exciting times are not without difficult decisions.

As we head into the new year, I pray God will continue to guide us and will open our eyes to what the Holy Spirit is doing in this place. Those who see the Holy Spirit at work are blessed.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 27, 10:15 AM

Transition

Transaction

Transformation

Order of Business: Celebration and passing 2019 budget

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Potluck and meeting begins 10:15 am

There will be one service at 9:00 a.m.,
followed by the meeting.
(No 11:00 am service)



Leave an Imprint

Embodying Christ's love, our church family makes an imprint when we're feeding hungry Minnesotans and reaching out to our neighborhood with breakfasts, carnivals, and holiday celebrations. We make an imprint when we are providing companionship for the elderly and providing transportation to worship. We make an imprint when we are supporting and inspiring new mothers, and providing care to young children as their parents work. We make an imprint when we're praying for each other and supporting each other through life's hardships and joys. We make an imprint when we join together in worship and, through word and music, experience God's love and care, grace, and faithfulness.

Thank you for your commitment to support the mission and vision at Richfield UMC. Every pledge is important and enables the Church to plan programs and events that will change lives in Christ's name. Your support is a blessing.

If you have questions about your pledge, or if you would like to make a pledge for 2019, please contact the Kathy Gertsema at 612-861-6086 or kgertsema@richfieldumc.org.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

You can help keep families fed over the weekend by spending one hour at Windom school. Richfield UMC partners with Excelsior Real Estate to send bags of non-perishable food home with students whose families may be in need. Our commitment is to "stuff backpacks" twice a month.



Your help is needed! We need 2-3 people twice a month to spend about an hour inserting the bags of food (under 5 lbs) into the backpacks. Typically it will be the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at 9:30 am, but there are some variations.

If you have questions or can help once, regularly, or as a substitute, please contact Gail Johnson (612-250-1736 or gailjohnson417@gmail.com).

GOD'S HANDS THRIFT STORE

Volunteer to help with **Saturday morning cashiering**. It isn't hard labor and you don't have to sign up for more than one Saturday at a time. Just give it a try and see if it is a fit for you. **It is 3 hours from 9AM to 12 NOON and you will not work alone.** There will always be at least 2 working each Saturday.

Sign up in the book on the table outside of the church office or call me at [952-894-3722](tel:952-894-3722) if you have questions. -Sharon Hall

RUMC LIBRARY NEWS

There has been a notice in the check-the-books-out area identified as "Library Rules". As I love to play with words (they are free toys, after all), I read that in the vein of the old movie title, "Cider House Rules". "Rules is a verb and not a noun. So: "Library Rules!" Think of the spirit and activity influencing vitality of a library. Its books titillate, incentivize, and stimulate your mind. Some people read books they "just can't put down". Minds are changed; knowledge increased; inspirations given; titles, authors, and topics shared with others – You just want to! Minds and hearts are expanded and moved. And, if you do want to think of "Rules" as a noun in "Library Rules", then let them be these: Enjoy what you read; read thoughtfully; tell others what you read, and what you would recommend (or not) for them; and be unhurried in perusing the shelves and discerning your interests. There is self-revelation in that. Library Rules! -Wayne Albertson

PRAYER PARTNERS

1st Sunday of the month throughout the schoolyear

Sunday, January 6
10:00 - 10:50 am



Be paired with someone from another generation to learn from and pray for one another. Each gathering we will share in a snack, connect with one another, participate in a service project for a different group in the community, and find out how we can pray for our partner throughout the month.

This month we will make homeless car kits to pass out to those in need.

If you're not signed up yet but would like to give it a try, email mhenningson@richfieldumc.org

WOMEN WHO READ

Mystery? History? Biography? Fiction? Whatever your preferred genre, January is the time to share it with Women Who Read. As has been the custom, at the January 7, 2019, gathering of WWR participants will talk about favorite authors, series, titles and characters of books they found to be "too good to put down." From this list, books will be chosen to read and discuss for the following few months. Additionally, the list will be published in a later edition of The Heartline.

WWR meets the first Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room. All women are invited to come and find out what your friends are reading and, perhaps, discover a new favorite author. For additional information please talk with Phyllis Killam, Christie Neuger, Kay Kurtz or Margaret Kersteter.

Children



FOOTPRINTS TO FAITH

(new name for Sunday school)

9:15 - 10:30 am, 3yr olds - 4th graders

In January we will focus on Jesus' Baptism. The whole church will celebrate Jesus baptism on Sunday, January 13. Each week we will learn about this special event in a new way.

January 6 - Christmas Break

January 13 - Jesus Baptism Cooking

January 20 - Jesus Baptism Science

January 27 - Jesus Baptism Games

SUBMERGE YOUTH

5th & 6th Grade

9:15 am - 10:30 am

We will be looking at Jesus' life beginning with his birth and continuing on to his healing miracles. God sent his son to live a life on Earth and experience everything from the mundane to miraculous. Come to ask questions and wonder together.



BAPTISMAL CELEBRATION AND SWIMMING

Sunday, January 13, 2019

10:30 am - noon

Meet after Footprints of Faith to hear people share their remembrances of baptism. Maybe you were older and remember it all; perhaps you were an infant and your parent or grandparent can share what they witnessed. All are welcome to share stories and then join in an time of swimming at a nearby pool as we splash and remember together.

CARING FOR CHILDREN

November was spent learning about "Thankfulness" and "Giving Thanks." In December we learned about the different holidays that are celebrated during this time of year, about the winter season, and about baby Jesus. We had lots of fun activities; Santa came to visit the children at Caring for Children on Friday December 7th. The students of Caring for Children worked hard on their songs for the Christmas Program which was held on Friday, December 14th.

THANK YOU!

The American Red Cross thanks RUMC for hosting a blood drive in November. By sponsoring this blood drive, we helped boost the community blood supply and ensure hospital patients to have the lifesaving blood they need. The Red Cross collected 17 units of blood and registered 3 first time donors. These 17 units of blood can be used to save up to 51 lives . . . what a gift of life!



Youth

Mission Trip Sign Up

The registration deadline to sign up for this year's mission trip to Kansas City is **Sunday, January 13th**. To secure your spot on the trip please see Garrett for a registration form or email him at gjohnson@richfieldumc.org to receive the form electronically. The mission trip will be July 7-14 2019.

New Year's Resolution

If you are a youth and don't attend our Wednesday night youth group regularly, make trying it out your New Year's resolution! We will be playing games, having discussions, and hanging out while we get to know each other better.

Youth Council Meeting

Just as a reminder, to all those on youth council we will be meeting on Wednesday, January 16th at 6:30pm.

MOPS GROUP (MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS)

January 2 & 16, 2019—9:30 - 11:30am
(1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month)

9:30 - 11:30 AM

Childcare Provided



Whether you are a soon-to-be mom, first-time mom or seventh-time mom, you are welcome here. Whether you are an adoptive mom, young mom, seasoned mom, foster mom, stepmom or any other type of mom, you are welcome here.

January 2 - Love Lives Here

Maria Goff has made a career out of loving her family and neighbors, raising her children, and turning houses into homes. She believes that moms are torchbearers for the next generation and uses her own story to help each of us focus on what matters most - the state of our heart rather than the state of our home.

January 16 - Loving the Life You Didn't Choose

Melanie Dale is the mini-van mama raising three kids from three different continents. Through infertility, challenging adoptions, and mixed medical diagnoses, she understands how it feels to give up on the picture-perfect dream. While there is no guaranteed formula, Melanie shares five daily practices that help her love her very unexpected life.

Friend are welcome. Childcare is provided.

MOPS group is hosted at Richfield United Methodist Church [5835 Lyndale Ave S Mpls](https://www.rumc.org)

For more information contact Marcia Henningson at mhenningson@richfieldumc.org or 612-861-6086.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY AT RICHFIELD UMC

The Chester E. and Marion D. Groth Scholarship

Scholarships will be awarded for tuition for the 2019-2020 school year. Previous recipients are eligible to reapply for the scholarship for up to three additional years or until a Bachelor's Degree is earned, whichever occurs first.

The purpose of this Fund is to award annual post-secondary scholarships for qualified students desiring to matriculate and pursue careers in music education, performance, or music therapy.

These scholarships are made possible by the generous gift of Marion Groth on behalf of her husband, Chester. To be eligible to receive this scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior from a Minnesota high school;
- Be entering college as a freshman;

Applications must be received in the church office no later than noon, Friday, February 22, 2019. Applicants will be notified if invited to a finalist audition on March 30, 2019.

For more information and an application form, please contact the church office (612)861-6086 or check the church website at: www.richfieldumc.org If you know of anyone that might be interested in this scholarship, please encourage them to apply.

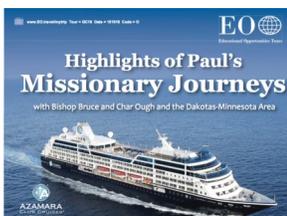
EXPERIENCE THE MISSIONARY JOURNEYS OF PAUL

Athens - Corinth - Ephesus - Patmos - Rhodes - Santorini - Crete

Visit these and other Mediterranean Sea sites on an Educational Opportunities *Journeys of Paul* trip October 18-27, 2019. This inspiring 10-day cruise on Royal Caribbean's *Azamara Journey* will be led by Bishop Bruce Ough, his wife Char, and expert local guides.

Join Bishop Ough and Char, along with EO representative Rev. Mike Miller for an **informational meeting at Normandale Hylands UMC (9920 Normandale Boulevard, Bloomington) on Saturday, January 5, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** A video, complete trip information, coffee and light breakfast refreshments will be provided. Attending this session does not obligate you to participate in the trip.

For questions and information about the meeting or the trip, contact Rev. Mike Miller at 952-9975-1704 or prairieflowers@q.com.



FROM THE PARISH NURSE

SAVE THE DATE

Lunch and Learn Series

Thursday, February 14th - Valentine's Day!

12 Noon - 2:00 PM

Details to be coming, but it will be all about the heart, in one way or another!



DON'T TAKE A CHANCE WITH A HEART ATTACK: KNOW THE FACTS AND ACT FAST

More than 1 million people in the United States have heart attacks each year. A heart attack happens when blood flow to the heart suddenly becomes blocked and the heart cannot get oxygen. If not treated quickly, the heart muscle fails to pump and begins to die.

The most common warning symptoms of a heart attack for both men and women are:

Chest pain or discomfort. Most heart attacks involve discomfort in the center or left side of the chest. It can feel like pressure, squeezing, fullness, or pain.

Upper body discomfort. You may feel pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, shoulders, neck, jaw, or upper part of the stomach (above the belly button).

Shortness of breath. This may be your only symptom or it may occur with chest pain; it can either happen when you are resting or involved in physical activity.

Other possible symptoms of a heart attack:

Breaking out in a cold sweat.

Feeling unusually tired for no reason, sometimes for days (especially if you are a woman).

Nausea, vomiting, indigestion, or heartburn.

Light-headedness or sudden dizziness.

The symptoms of a heart attack can vary from person to person. Not all heart attacks begin with the sudden, crushing chest pain often seen on TV or in the movies. Heart attacks can start slowly and cause only mild pain or discomfort. Symptoms also may come and go over several hours. People who have diabetes may have no symptoms or very mild ones. The most common symptom, in both women and men, is chest pain or discomfort. But women also are somewhat more likely to have shortness of breath, nausea and vomiting, unusual tiredness, and pain in the back, shoulders, and jaw.

Minutes Matter! Call 9-1-1. Any time you think you might be having heart attack symptoms or a heart attack, do not ignore it or feel embarrassed to call for help. Call 9-1-1 immediately, even if you are not sure whether you are having a heart attack. Of the people who die from heart attacks, about half die within an hour of their first symptoms and before they reach the hospital. When in doubt, check it out. Do not wait! Quick treatment can save your life. Remember, the first minutes matter when you are having a heart attack.

Source: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

NEW CFC DIRECTOR HIRED

Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is happy to announce that we have hired a new Director of Caring For Children (CFC), Catherine Mahler. Catherine officially began her new position on Monday, Dec. 3. She replaces Jennie Mason who left the program in late August. We are excited for her and look forward to a bright future working together.

Catherine is an experienced educator whose passion is literacy and encouraging play in the process of learning. She is a Develop Level II Trainer who loves to help teachers develop teaching techniques in the classroom. Most recently, Catherine was working in the Downtown YWCA Early Childhood Learning Center. She loved the YWCA's commitment to its mission and fighting racism.

In joining CFC, Catherine is excited to be returning to a faith-based program. She was particularly drawn to our congregation's commitment to inclusivity. When we interviewed her, both on the phone and in person, Catherine's answers always focused on what is best for children. We also appreciated her positive attitude, creativity, and energy.

In welcoming Catherine, we also would like to thank Andrea Patton for stepping up to fill in as interim director. Additionally we thank the CFC staff for all their extra-work over this past couple of months.

STAFF APPRECIATION

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee would like to take this opportunity to offer a word of appreciation for the amazing staff at Richfield UMC. From the 17 people who provide education, nurture and support to the children of CFC (including our brand new director, Catherine Mahler) to the 11 "upstairs" staff who make sure the bills are paid, the building is safe and welcoming, the programs are dynamic, and that ministry of all kinds can go on, our staff is the backbone of our church. These committed people are consistently gracious and hardworking and are dedicated to the mission of RUMC. We are grateful for them all and for the leadership of our pastor Eric.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

TRUST's Annual Martin Luther King Celebration will be held on **Sunday, January 20 at 5 p.m. at Living Spirit United Methodist Church**, 4501 Bloomington Avenue. Please join in for fellowship and music. A soup and sandwich supper will follow the service. Free-will offering. TRUST, Inc. is a nonprofit, interfaith coalition of Minneapolis congregations that has served the needs of seniors, families, and youth of Minneapolis since 1970.

COMMUNITY JOYS AND CONCERNS

Let us keep in our prayers:

- Gratitude for the music shared during worship.
- Drought stricken areas around the world and in the United States.
- Our leaders at the local, state, and federal levels.
- As the Body of Christ, may we extend God's love and grace to immigrant families.

Prayers for Healing:

Paula Milani, Cori Williamson, Margaret Potter, Jan Kirchner, Marybeth Stull, Al Reko, Rev. Jim Haun, Barb Rogers

Prayers for Comfort:

Leigh Kessel and all those in hospice and their families.

Prayers for Those Who are Grieving:

Dan Koskey and family in the death of Dan's mother, Denise Lee. Laurel Lien, in the death of her mother, Dorothy Gisvold, and all those who have lost loved ones this year.

GENERAL CONFERENCE 2019

The Council of Bishops has called a Special Session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church to be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri.

The purpose will be to receive and act on a report from the Commission on a Way Forward based on the recommendations of the Council of Bishops. The 32-member Commission was authorized by General Conference 2016 and appointed by the Council of Bishops to examine paragraphs in The Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality and exploring options to strengthen the unity of the church.

The commission recently forwarded two detailed plans to the Council of Bishops for their consideration: the One-Church Plan and the Connectional Conferences Plan. A third plan, the Traditionalist Plan, has also been discussed and will be presented as part of the historical narrative of the commission's work.

The Council of Bishops is recommending the One-Church Plan, and it is the only plan they will bring for legislative consideration in February 2019.

One-Church Plan (recommended by Council of Bishops)

This plan would allow for contextualization in different parts of the world (adapting some non-essential practices to different mission fields to maximize our witness and success in each place). It is based on the belief that we can be a church with a large enough tent for people to disagree about homosexuality and yet remain together as The United Methodist Church. It allows us to affirm that our unity and mission are more important than our disagreements.

More about this plan will be printed in the February edition of the newsletter or you can find more information online at www.minnesotaumc.org.

CALENDAR

Each Saturday

- 9:00 AM Yoga
- 9:00 AM God's Hands Thrift Store
- 9:45 AM Alanon and Alanon Beginners

Each Weekday (Monday-Friday)

4:00 AM-6:00 PM the Middle Office is reserved for Nursing Mothers

Each Sunday

8:00 AM –1:00 PM the Middle Office is reserved for Nursing Mothers

Tuesday, January 01, 2019

Building Closed

Wednesday, January 02, 2019

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 AM MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)
- 7:30 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 03, 2019

- 9:00 AM Common Threads

Friday, January 04, 2019

- 9:00 AM Thrift Store Sorting

Saturday, January 05, 2019

- 9:30 AM Heritage Take-Down of Christmas

Sunday, January 06, 2019

- 9:00 AM Sanctuary Worship Service
- 10:00 AM Prayer Partner Gathering
- 11:00 AM Living Waters Worship Service

Monday, January 07, 2019

- 9:30 AM Weight Loss Group
- 1:30 PM Women Who Read
- 6:30 PM Parish Companion Meeting

Tuesday, January 08, 2019

- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study
- 5:30 PM UMW Wesleyan Circle

Wednesday, January 09, 2019

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 AM UMW Redbird Circle
- 6:15 PM Adult Education
- 6:30 PM Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 10, 2019

Friday, January 11, 2019

- 9:00 AM Thrift Store Sorting
- 10:00 AM Women who are Seekers
- 11:00 AM Faith Circle

Saturday, January 12, 2019

Sunday, January 13, 2019

- 9:00 AM Sanctuary Worship Service
- 9:15 AM Confirmation
- 9:15 AM Footprints to Faith (Sunday School)
- 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Screenings
- 11:00 AM Living Waters Worship Service

Monday, January 14, 2019

Heartline Deadline for February Edition

- 9:30 AM Weight Loss Group
- 6:30 PM Social Justice Speaker: The Advocates for Human Rights—Overview of Immigrant & Immigration Issues

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study
- 6:30 PM Administrative Board

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 AM MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)
- 6:15 PM Adult Education
- 6:30 PM Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 PM Youth Council Meeting
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 17, 2019

- 9:00 AM Common Threads

Friday, January 18, 2019

- 9:00 AM Thrift Store Sorting

Saturday, January 19, 2019

Sunday, January 20, 2019

- 9:00 AM Sanctuary Worship Service
- 9:15 AM Confirmation
- 9:15 AM Footprints to Faith (Sunday School)
- 11:00 AM Living Waters Worship Service

Monday, January 21, 2019

- 9:30 AM Weight Loss Group

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 6:15 PM Adult Education
- 6:30 PM Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 24, 2019

- 8:30 AM Heartline Stuffers

Friday, January 25, 2019

- 9:00 AM Thrift Store Sorting
- 11:00 AM Faith Circle

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Sunday, January 27, 2019

- 9:00 AM Sanctuary Worship Service
- 9:15 AM Confirmation
- 9:15 AM Footprints to Faith (Sunday School)
- 10:15 AM Semi-Annual Meeting

Monday, January 28, 2019

- 9:30 AM Weight Loss Group

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 6:15 PM Adult Education
- 6:30 PM Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 31, 2019

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY

Marian Clarke	7
Alex Restemayer	7
Inez Gustafson	8
Ryan Larson	9
Harriet Kirk	10
Ken Kane	11
John Wittenborg	12
Terry Bumgarner	13
JoAn Hanson	14
Gavin Locke	15
Jerry Schilling	15
Ann Johnson	16
Dorthea Doty	17
Beverly Borneman	19
Win Neuger	19
Nakia Neal	19
Jeff Couillard	19
Steven Gieseke	20
Laura Gilmore	23
Anne Ruona	24
Molly Reko	25
Paul Pieper	25
Renee Jackson	25
Phyllis Olson	26
David Oliver	29
Jane Parry	29
Vicki Sells	29
Phyllis Killam	30
Christina Loge	30
Dorothy Holland	31

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DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT HEARTLINE IS MONDAY, JANUARY 14



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Heartline

Keeping in touch with the heart of the Richfield United Methodist Church faith community.

Sunday Worship
9:00 am Worship Service in the Sanctuary with organ and choir
11:00 am Living Waters Worship Service in the fellowship hall with a band and casual feel

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY SPECIAL OFFERING JANUARY 20

Together, we extend a helping hand to those in crisis so they can overcome formidable obstacles.

Turn on the news or drive around the outskirts of town and you will find what Jesus called "the least of these." Those living in the margins of society, struggling to survive.

People like:

- An immigrant teenager in Texas' poorest county, being recruited by a local gang
- A father struggling for sobriety in Little Rock, Arkansas
- An Oklahoma woman recently released from incarceration looking for work

Over and over Jesus served people like this, embracing them. And that's what we want to model as the people of The United Methodist Church. To continue the ministry of Jesus The United Methodist Church established Human Relations Day as a Special Sunday that calls all of our churches to participate in helping all God's children to realize their potential.

Please support the ministry of Christ among those on the margins. Look for a special envelope in your Sunday bulletin on January 20.

