

Richland Center United Methodist Church
A Community of Faith
Trinity Sunday/Memorial Sunday: May 26, 2024



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HONORING STUDENTS AND GRADUATES

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: O Loving God, you are the Surprise from whom all discoveries grow.

People: You are the Creator of All, high beyond our understanding. We worship your majesty!

Pastor: You are the Delight of whom each victory sings and the Joy to whom all lasting pleasures flow.

People: You are our blessed Redeemer, the giver of mercy and grace. We worship your mystery!

Pastor: You are the Search out of whom all knowledge springs, the Truth who surfaces when all seems lost, and the Love who never counts the cost.

People: You are our eternal Inspiration, ever guiding us to love and light. We worship your divine presence with us, today and always!

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* 140

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 885

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

MINI-MESSAGE (for Children of All Ages)

WORSHIP IN GIVING

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

SPECIAL MUSIC Peace Like A River

*David Brock, Rosanne Knower, Pastor Rachel,
Kathy Schweinefus*

WORSHIP IN PRAYER

Individual
Pastoral
The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, 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.

HYMN *We Are God's People* 2220

WORSHIP IN THE WORD

Scripture Reading: John 3:1-17 (CEB)

Scripture Lesson: Romans 8:12-17 (CEB)

Sermon: Born Again

*HYMN *Take My Life and Let It Be* 399

*BENEDICTION

Hymn Leaders: David Brock, Rosanne Knower,
Connie Frye, Kathy Schweinefus

Pianist/Organist: Jennifer Hall

Scripture Reader: Russ Shannon

Sound System: Paul Knower

Our high school graduates:

*Katherine Hall
Zada Ludwig
Makenna Monson
Clara Shannon
Teige Perkins*

Our college graduate:

Tora Perkins

Prayer: Loving God, I accept your love, kindness and grace. May my life give evidence of your presence in it. In Jesus' name. Amen.

This Week's Events:

- 26 **Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.**
- 27 Memorial Day – the office will be closed
- 28 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Library.
- 30 Seeker's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. - Library

Upcoming Events:

- 02 Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. – Communion
- 06 Seeker's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. - Library



May Birthdays

Peg Moser (102) 5/26
 Katherine Hall 5/27
 Gregg Gochenaur 5/29



June Birthdays		June Anniversaries	
Ben Shannon	6/1 Maggy Edwards	6/22 Tom & Kathy Richardson	6/1
Doug Sommer	6/6 Tora Perkins	6/22 Rick & Susan Orsburn	6/4
Rosemary Jewell	6/8 Jan Salmon	6/22 Howard & Helen Nelson	6/6
Amie Twining	6/10 Elia Spangler	6/24 Jerry & Donna Bower	6/13
Dick Hewuse	6/11 Bill Twining	6/25 Doug & Jill Sommer	6/23
Rick Jones	6/17 Jim Weber	6/26 Kurt & Dianne Monson	6/26
Betty Unbehaun	6/18 Bev Fink	6/28 Richard & Shirley Steiner	6/27
Carl Bethke	6/19 Connie Hoppenjan	6/29 Ed & Bev Fink	6/28
Nancy Studnicka	6/19 Franklin Crotsenberg	6/29 Bill & Julie Stebbins	6/30
Bonnie Arbegust	6/20 Ryan Bee		
Aaron Joyce	6/20 Michael Subera		

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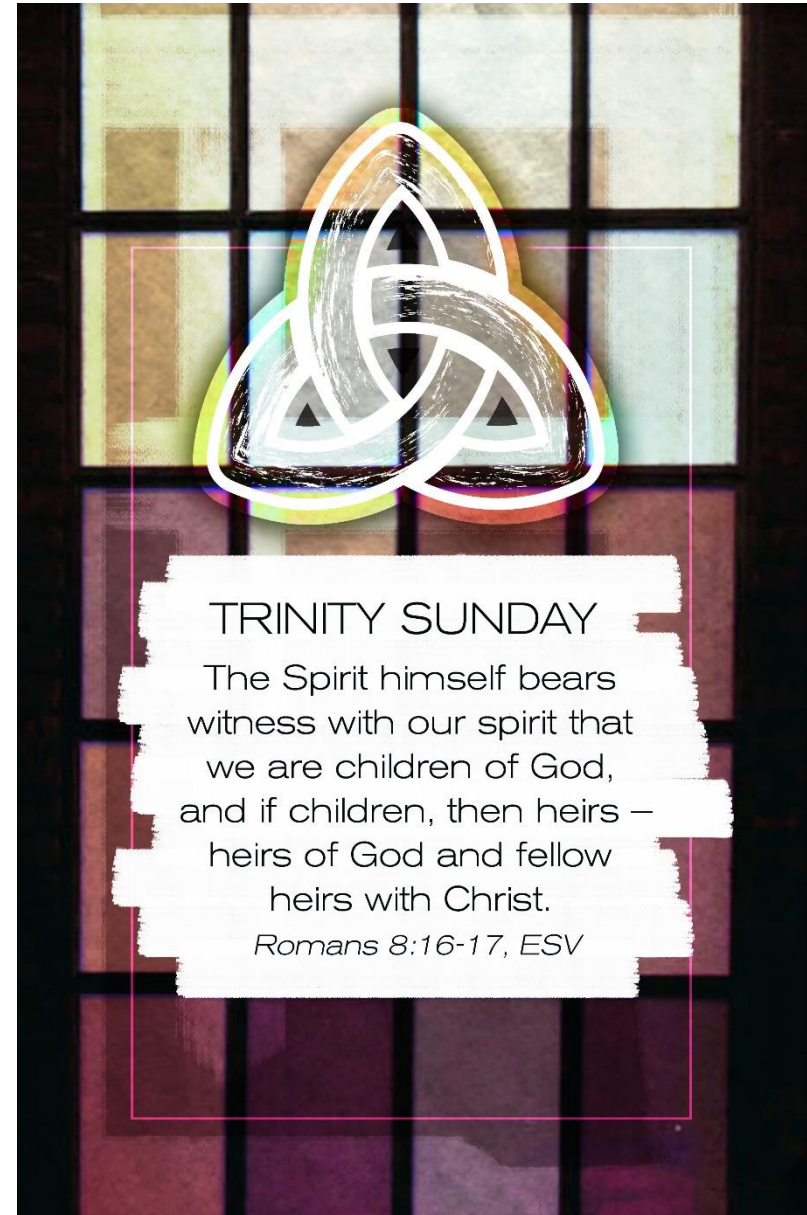


TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY
 Host

Many thanks to Joan Wheeler for
 hosting coffee hour today.

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TRINITY SUNDAY

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.

Romans 8:16-17, ESV

General Announcements

Peace with Justice: May 26, 2024

From Despair to Hope

Today our work is facing crisis or unprecedented scale: war, genocide, poverty, hunger, disease, and global warming. Saddened by the state of the world, overwhelmed by the scope of these problems, and anxious about the future, we believe God calls us and equips us to respond.

Harsh economic conditions have made it impossible for the world's poor to break the ongoing cycle of despair and exploitation. The disparity between rich and poor has grown. Global financial improvement has not affected many of those living on the margins of society.

Peace with Justice is a faithful expression of shalom in the Bible. It calls the church to strengthen its capacity to advocate publicly in communities and nations throughout the world.. We will celebrate Peace with Justice when all people have access to adequate jobs, housing, education, food, health care, income support, and clean water. We will further celebrate when there is no more economic exploitation, war, political oppression, and cultural domination.



The **Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study** will not meet in June, July or August. Their last Tuesday meeting will be May 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Save The Date!
RC-UMC Ice Cream Social
June 19, 2024
from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

SAVE THE DATE!
Strawberry Dinner at Willow Valley UMC on June 14th
from 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. Free will offering accepted.