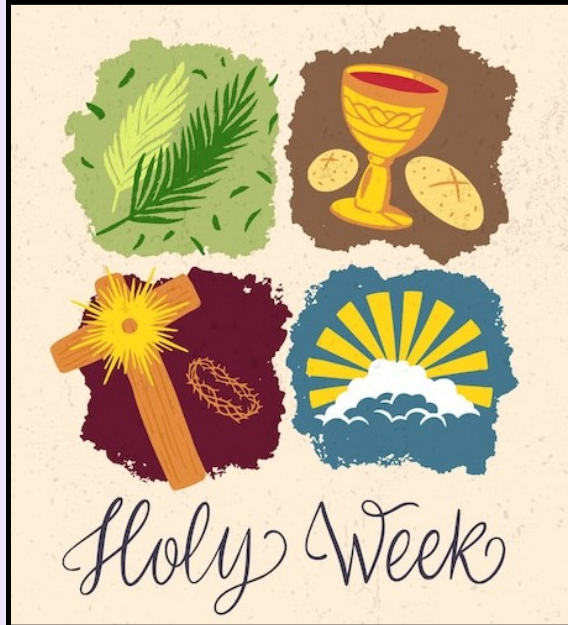


# THE FLAME



NEW RICHMOND  
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## PALM SUNDAY

April 13 - 9:00 & 11:00am

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 17 - 7:00pm  
Communion will be served and  
is offered to everyone.

## GOOD FRIDAY

April 18 - 7:00pm

## EASTER SUNDAY

April 20 - 9:00 & 11:00am  
Communion will be served at both  
services and is offered to everyone.



**Our Spring Rummage Sale will be held**  
**Fri, April 4 - 9am-3pm**  
**and**  
**Sat, April 5 - 9am-Noon**

Most items are a free-will offering and 100% of the proceeds go to over 10 mission outreach groups that are supported by our United Women in Faith. Help is always welcome at 11:45am on Saturday to help pack up the leftover items. Thank you!

## RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM BAKE SALE!

Friday, April 4  
during the Rummage Sale  
9am until sold out





# Ways to enjoy worship at New Richmond UMC



## SUNDAYS AT 9:00 & 11:00am

Join us for in-person Sunday worship at 9:00 and 11:00am in the sanctuary. Communion is served the 1st & 3rd Sundays each month and offered to everyone.



Watch worship live-streamed each Sunday, beginning around 9:10am, or watch at your convenience later in the week.

To find us online, go to [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com) and search “New Richmond United Methodist Church” and our channel will appear in the results. Not only can you watch these sermons on your mobile device, but most smart TV’s with internet have access to YouTube.

## Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship

Coffee Fellowship is after 9am worship (approx. 10am) and will remain set up through the end of second service. If you would like to bring the treats for Coffee Fellowship, we usually plan for 75-80 people each Sunday. The coffee is made for you and paper products are supplied, so all you need to bring is “treats” of some sort. Please check out the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the gathering area if you would like to host on a Sunday, or you can call Pat Davis at 715-781-9860. Sign up with a group or friend!



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## April Birthdays

1 Sherri Barnes	20 Marilyn Jess	27 Mark Dolezal
2 Sue Meyers	Dylan Martin	Maddi Melby
7 Jean Kelley	21 Owen Hoogheem	30 Joshua Ennis
8 Sean Pazdera	23 David Beebe	
11 Bill Gillespie	24 Aidan Westmoreland	
14 Brayden Cunningham	26 Kay Peterson	



## Happy Anniversary!

6 Mark & Jennifer Larson  
25 John & Paula Meisner  
28 David & Sandy Beebe

## *When you pray, please remember -*

**Sympathy** to the family of Jack Thomas, who passed away on March 21, 2025, Wife, Diane; daughters, Katie (Dan) Shipman, Pam (Olin) Glick; granddaughter, Asher Shipman; and sister, Jill Thomas.

**Home-** Sherri Barnes, Donna Holmes, Betty Lokker, Rick Melby, May & Jamie Ross

**The Deerfield Gables** - Marlene Hanson

**The Deerfield** - Gladys Cole, Lorene Jameson, Karen Langer

**Dawn Jacobson**, sister-in-law of Kristi Rogers, receiving treatment for leukemia

**Trudy**, friend of Nancy Karastes, receiving cancer treatment

**Sheldon Simonson**, father of Brenda Wickenhauser, St. Croix Health Center

**Carol**, cousin of Mary Ann Peters

**Marilyn**, sister of Eileen Sydow

**Dan Simon**, friend of Chris Libbey



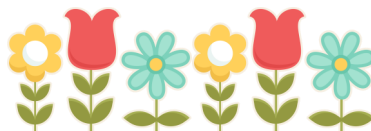
If you or a loved one would like to be placed on our Prayer List, please call or email Pastor Jeremy or Kristi in the church office. Please pray for those on the prayer list in the weekly email, Sunday bulletin and monthly newsletter.

## **Would you like a Phone Call or Visit?**

If you would like to hear from Pastor Jeremy, please feel free to call or email him at: 1-651-783-2433 or [pastorjdeaner@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjdeaner@gmail.com)

## **Hospitalizations**

If you go into the hospital please let us know at church, especially if you would like to hear from Pastor Jeremy or Maybelle Hall. The hospitals cannot tell us if you are there, so the only way that we know is if you call or email us at: 715-246-2464 or [newrichmondwiumc.org](http://newrichmondwiumc.org) Pastor Jeremy's cell # is 1-651-783-2433.



The Pastoral Care Team is available to call, visit, or write notes to support our members, friends, and people at home. They support Pastor Jeremy in helping the congregation feel cared for and connected. Additionally, each team member has been trained for providing basic pastoral care. A member of the pastoral care team may already have contacted you to say hello and see how you are doing, and if not yet, they will. This is a great way to

have a listening ear from a member of your church, and a way to let the church know of needs for prayers or visits from the team or from Pastor Jeremy.





Missional Church  
Consultation Initiative  
*a new lifecycle of fruitfulness*

## Missional Church Consultation Initiative (MCCI) Update

We are well on our way as we capture God's momentum for our congregation with our MCCI Prescription Teams. Our Signature Ministry Research Team especially is taking steps on community needs and how God is moving us to take part. Intergenerational Events are happening and making a difference across age groups. The Financial Capacity Team led a successful Financial Peace University. The Breakthrough Prayer Team is encouraging us to engage in a congregation-wide prayer walk. The fuel for our movement now continues to be our breakthrough prayer, so take a moment now to pray it. God of amazing things, spring forth with new possibilities for our lives and our church, that will bubble over into our community. Amen! What breakthroughs are you seeing? How is God doing new things in your life? Has God invited you to make a small or large spiritual decision recently? As all our teams begin meeting and implementing, be praying for them and how you can help create a healthy atmosphere for God's new possibilities to emerge!

### New Richmond United Methodist Church

#### **-BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER-**

*God of amazing things, spring forth with  
new possibilities for our lives and our church  
that will bubble over into our community. Amen.*

Pray this each day at 7:15am, 7:15pm, or both.



*I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth!*  
-Isaiah 43:19a

Are you praying the breakthrough prayer? Take a moment now to do so. **God of amazing things, spring forth with new possibilities for our lives and our church, that will bubble over into our community. Amen!** What breakthroughs are you seeing? How is God doing new things in your life? Has God invited you to make a small or large spiritual decision recently? If you've experienced a push, pull or nudge of spiritual momentum, what we're calling a **Godspring Moment**, what will you do with it? We have bubbles in the gathering area that you can write a Godspring Moment on and put up on the wall as we bubble over!

## NEW RICHMOND UMC FINANCIAL REPORT

January - March 2025

### GENERAL BUDGET

Income \$54,043

Expenses - 67,655

**\$ - 13,612**

(2024 amount was - 9,940)

### Donations to our EXTRA MILE FUNDS:

Church Maintenance/Repairs \$ 1,825

Community Outreach \$ 1,354



# SUNDAY SCHOOL AT NR UMC!

Every Sunday at 10:10am

We are excited to offer Sunday School for all Pre-K thru 5th graders each Sunday! Led by our volunteer Family Ministry Coordinator, Mark Dolezal, with the help of adult volunteers from the congregation. Any questions, please contact Mark at: [mdolezal@frontiernet.net](mailto:mdolezal@frontiernet.net)



## WEDNESDAYS

**6:30-8:00PM**

All Youth in 6th-12th grade are welcome!  
Led by Mark Dolezal ([mdolezal@frontiernet.net](mailto:mdolezal@frontiernet.net))

**Wed, April 2** - "Meal & Message", parlor. Meal provided by the church.

**Wed, April 9** - Etiquette Dinner for all Youth at Mallards restaurant

**Wed, April 16** - Youth Group - High Schoolers only, loft

**Wed, April 23** - "Cocoa & Canvas" painting night, fellowship hall

**Wed, April 30** - Youth Group, fellowship hall

**Sunday, May 18** will be Graduate Recognition Sunday during the 9am worship service.



## NR UMC Piece Corps

# QUILTERS

**Wednesday, April 16**

**9:30am - 2:30pm in fellowship hall**

The UMC Piece Corps is a group of volunteers from church that make beautiful quilts from mostly donated materials. Finished quilts are then donated to Westfields Hospital Bereavement Care and Grace Place Shelter.

If you have material at home that you would like to donate, please contact Carolyn Craig to see if it's something that they can use. Also, there are a few times throughout the year that the group needs to purchase batting and additional fabric to complete quilts. If you would like to make a monetary donation for these items, please see Kristi in the church office or simply put your donation in the offering basket on Sundays (marked "Piece Corps"). New quilters are always welcome! Feel free to stop by and see what they're working on. Please contact Laurel Olson (210-382-8855) or Carolyn Craig at (715-246-6242) with any questions.

# NR UMC Mission Team Spring Project:

## DIGNITY KITS

### for the WI UM Conference Ingathering

The WI Conference Mission Motivation Committee will again be collecting items for Midwest Mission at our WI Annual Conference, held in June. Starting in April, Robin Reichert from our NR UMC Mission Team will be organizing the collection of Dignity Kits as part of this mission project.

The Midwest Distribution Center distributes the kits locally, nationally, and internationally to those in need during times of crisis. All supplies are given out free of charge regardless of gender, race, or religion. Midwest Mission is one of eight cooperating depots in the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Supply Network. Midwest Mission distributes UMCOR supplies in response to disasters within the United States. The kits will include:

#### Personal Dignity Kit Items:

- 1 Bath Hand Towel (No kitchen towels)
- 1 Bath Washcloth (No dishcloths)
- 1 Adult Toothbrush (No multi-packs or electric)
- 1 Bar Soap (3 - 4 oz.)
- 1 Shampoo (12 - 19 oz.)
- 1 Deodorant (2-3 oz. - stick, roll on, or pump)
- 1 Lotion (8-10 oz.)
- 1 1-gal Re-sealable Plastic Bag



**All items should be NEW** – and all kits should have only the items requested. Please place items in a 1 gallon re-sealable plastic bag and return to the church by Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We are also collecting monetary donations – we will need to send \$2 with each kit for the purchase of a carrying bag and toothpaste.

We hope you will join us in getting as many bags as we can together to send to the annual conference. Our goal is to send a minimum of 50. Once we're done, Pastor Jeremy will take the kits with him to Annual Conference in June. Thanks for your help with this project. Together we can accomplish great things!



### Ways to stay in touch with church

**Email:** [newrichmondwiumc@gmail.com](mailto:newrichmondwiumc@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.newrichmondwiumc.org](http://www.newrichmondwiumc.org)

**Facebook Page:** [Facebook.com/newrichmondwiumc](https://www.facebook.com/newrichmondwiumc)

**YOUTUBE:** Simply search for: "New Richmond United Methodist Church"

### Church Membership

If you would like to join the church, please see Pastor Jeremy.





## NR UMC RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



**Friday, April 11**  
**during the Rummage Sale**  
9am-3pm  
in the gathering area  
Everyone is welcome to bake!



**Sunday, April 13 - Palm Sunday**  
**Baked French Toast Breakfast**  
10:00am in fellowship hall



**Sunday, May 11**  
**Chocolate Lover's Bake Sale**  
8:30am-12:15pm  
in the gathering area  
Everyone is welcome to bake!



**Sundays, May 18, 25 & June 1**  
**Luminaria Sales**  
Before and after worship services



**Sunday, September 7**  
**"Send-off to Summer" Lunch**  
11:00am in fellowship hall

If you are interested in joining the Relay Team or helping out during any of these events, or make a donation to the team, please talk with our team captain, Jill Thomas.

Each year our Unit of the United Women of Faith can earn the Chippewa District Five Star Award. To receive this award there are five steps to complete. They are:

Give to the Pledge of Missions – These funds support programs focused on women, children and youth, both locally and globally and fostering spiritual growth and justice work.

Participate in World Thank Offering – This is a way for our members to show gratitude for God’s blessings and to find creative ways to raise funds to improve the lives of women, children and youth. Through the World Thank offering, we support the total program of missions carried on through the national office in the US and around the world. In September, during our United Women of Faith Sunday, you will be able to participate with us, with a noisy offering.

Give a Special Mission Recognition in honor of any person, female or male, for any reason, and it is NOT necessary that that the person be a member of UWF. Again, at our UWF Sunday we will present this award to some deserving person from our congregation.

Give a gift of Mission. Honor someone with an undesignated gift in his or her name of a least \$5. We have Mission cards for: A new baby, Thank you, Happy Birthday, Congratulations, and several other occasions. Gift to Mission supports the total program of mission carried out the United Women of Faith.

Give a gift in memory through United Women of Faith honoring someone in memory of their life of service. This honors the memory of a family member or friend by making possible additional mission work in the U.S. and around the world.

Through the dedication and faithfulness of our United Women of Faith unit in New Richmond, we are honored to receive this award every year.

Submitted by Jill Thomas. UWF member

## ***Five Loaves Food Shelf & Two Fish Thrift Store BUILDING PROJECT***

Five Loaves and Two Fish are going to be building a new building so they can better serve the increasing need of food insecurity in our community. Please pray about and consider donating significantly to the capital campaign to make this a reality! You can give online at their website <https://fiveloaveswi.org/> and on the right-hand side Quick Links choose “Capital Campaign Donations.” You can also look at the entire sponsorship packet through our weekly email. Every gift makes a difference and helps feed our community!





## SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP

Take a moment to read 2 Kings 4.1-7. This is our story for this year's generosity theme "Fill the Jars." As you take inventory on your assets and gifts, your talents and your time, what potential is there for a step up in generosity? What kind of a miracle will we see when we all do this together? God is up to great things here, let's join in and fill the jars!



## NR UMC Electronic Giving

Electronic Giving is a safe and easy way to contribute to the church. All you need to do is fill out a form that I have in the office, and I'll take care of the rest. You can adjust it at any time and there is no cost at all to you. If you're interested, please give me a call, 246-2464.

*-Kristi Rogers, Office Administrator*



### IRA AND STOCK GIFTS

There are significant tax benefits for giving to the church directly from your IRA or other retirement account. Also, if you have stock and would like to make a gift to the church from it, our United Methodist Foundation can process those gifts without any fees. Please contact Kristi if you are interested in giving to the church in either of these ways.



**Give to New Richmond United Methodist Church  
safely & securely using our new QR code.**

**If you would like information about electronic giving,  
please contact Kristi in the church office.**

## WAYS YOU CAN DONATE TO NEW RICHMOND UMC

To continue to support the church's mission and ministry during this time, we have a few options for you. Please contact Kristi Rogers in the church office with ANY questions.



### 1. Online Giving on our Website-

We have an online giving option to our website called "GIVE+" by Vanco Payment Solutions. We've used Vanco for over 15 years as a convenient way for our members and friends to give to the church electronically on an on-going basis. It is safe, simple, and offered at no cost to you. Now, with GIVE+, you can donate to the church using your checking or savings account at any time. To access GIVE+, you just click on our church's link that can be found on our website: [www.newrichmondwiumc.org](http://www.newrichmondwiumc.org), click the link on the home page, then go through the steps. You can choose a one-time gift or reoccurring gifts. You only need to create a sign-in account if you plan to set-up reoccurring payments.

### 2. U.S. Mail- Our mailing address is: P.O. BOX 277, New Richmond, WI 54017

### 3. Electronic Giving-

If you would like to sign-up for our regular reoccurring electronic giving program with Vanco, please contact Kristi and she'll send you a form. You can make changes at any time by contacting her.

## Turn everyday shopping into fundraising dollars

**RaiseRight™**  
Formerly ShopWithScrip

You can buy cards for:

**Kwik Trip, Cabela's, Caribou Coffee, Applebee's, Starbucks, Kohl's, Home Depot, GAP, Scheels, Old Navy, Under Armour, Bath & Body Works, Barnes & Noble, Top Golf, Texas Roadhouse, Ace Hardware, Domino's Pizza, Buffalo Wild Wings, Delta Airlines, PetSmart, LL Bean, plus 100's MORE!**

**Purchase for yourself to use for your every day shopping or to give away as gifts!**

**To order online, go to:** [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com)

**Set up an account with:** New Richmond United Methodist Church

**User Name:** nrumc19

**Family Access #:** 1E4EF7AB64749



When setting up your account, you will add a bank account or debit/credit card for your purchases. From there, you can then order:

- \* **e-Cards**, they will email you your card, you print it off and bring to the store to shop or give as a gift;
- \* **Download** cards into your Scrip App on your smartphone;
- \* **Physical plastic gift cards** will be mailed to Mary Jensen, coordinator, then she gets them to you.

With the help of over 750 stores/brands, it turns our everyday shopping into earnings for our church. Not only can you use Scrip cards for your personal every day purchases, but they also make great gifts! Many of the cards are re-loadable too, like Kwik Trip! Don't have a computer or want to shop online? **Contact Kristi in the church office (715-246-2464) or our Organist, Mary Jensen (715-222-0586) with ANY questions. They can also place your order for you! It's super easy and not additional cost to you.**

Every store/brand gives a rebate percentage- normally between 2% and 16%, and they often run specials for even more! The rebate amount comes directly to our church when a card is purchased at its face value. For instance, if you order a \$100 card and the rebate on it is 4%, the church receives \$4 and you still receive the card for it's face value of \$100. It's a Win-Win! It's easy, it's rewarding, and it fits perfectly into your busy lifestyle.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>March 30</b> <div>Rummage Sale donations may be brought to the church Sun, March 30 thru Thurs, April 3. Please check posted hours on doors for drop-off times.</div>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> 9:30 Day Away respite care	<b>2</b> Pastor Jeremy is at District Committee on Ministry in Barron 9:30 UM Men's Coffee at The Deerfield 1:00 Card Group 5:30 Lent Service 6:30 Youth Group- meal & msg.	<b>3</b> Last day to bring Rummage Sale donations to church 6:30 Scout Leaders 6:30 Book Study at The Deerfield	<b>4</b> Rummage Sale 9am-3pm Relay for Life Bake Sale 9am until sold out	<b>5</b> Rummage Sale 9am-Noon Pack-up help is needed starting at 11:45am
<b>6</b> 8:15 Choir warm-up 9:00 Worship with communion 10:00 Coffee Fellowship 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Choir rehearsal 11:00 Worship with communion 5:30 Scouts	<b>7</b> 1:00 Worship Design Team 6:30 Relay for Life team Meeting	<b>8</b> 9:00 NR Senior Center Foot Care 9:30 Day Away respite care 5:00-6:30 C.O.M.E. free community meal, coord. by Prairieview Covenant 7:00 Cub Scouts	<b>9</b> 9:30 UM Men's Coffee at The Deerfield 10:30 Pastoral Care Team 1:00 Card Group 5:30 Lent Service 6:00 Youth Etiquette Dinner at Mallards 6:30 United Women in Faith	<b>10</b> 5:00 Signature Ministry Team 6:30 Book Study at The Deerfield	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
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## New Richmond United Methodist Church

**Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.**

Our Mission is:

Building bridges to discipleship by connecting, growing, and serving.

Our Vision is:

Compassionate, God-centered community serving all people.

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