

April 2022 Pastor's Report

Richmond certainly comes together as Christians in action for major holidays and or other events that touch the hearts of the many. I was invited to preside at the funeral of Adam Markie, the former Dentist of Richmond's, middle son. Richmond responded in a huge fashion to offer support for that family. Not only are Richmond residents tough, they have huge hearts.

On the last Friday of May a memorial will take place here for a lady who passed back in March. The husband had been worshiping at the Rochester Congregational but he prefers it here. Their friends are in Richmond so he asked that I preside here. Rochester Congregational is UCC. The deceased, Nieves Nehring, was at MediLodge here in Richmond for 7 years. The service will take place here at 2:00 on the Friday afternoon of Memorial Day weekend.

It looks like our Joyce will stay in Romeo after the re-hab is complete. Apparently the re-hab place has the step up for Assisted Living. Sally remains at Leisure Manor and our membership at MediLodge include Lucile, Bob and Joe. This membership has stepped up to visit Joe during the weeks when Karen cannot visit because of her own surgery. Sandy Knoell was scheduled and admitted for surgery this past Monday but two hours after her surgery to remove a mass was to take place her surgeon came in and said unfortunately he must re-schedule for May 9 as he was still handling an emergency surgery. Sandy keeps a good attitude and her Fred is amazingly supportive.

Between keeping up with folks having had surgery, those in Sr. Living Facilities, and phone visits busyness continues and I try to keep the community informed as to how everyone is coming along and where they now reside. I am extremely pleased that some have reached out to Doris Essenburg of late and other's that having been seen for a time. Sharlene's son and daughter appreciate links to our worship

Offering a Service on Thursday evenings for those who can't make a Sunday was worth the try but nobody came; the walking had two. Now, for those who prefer to walk outdoors, walking at Beebe Park on Thursday evenings at 6 pm will take place for those interested and the walking will be with those from First United Methodist Church.

Changes for Richmond include: a new leadership person at Trinity Lutheran come June, and also First United Methodist come July. Our Eastern Association continues to meet every two weeks on a zoom meeting. Our Committee on Ministry meets when necessary.

Maundy Thursday was small and intimate, very nice. Good Friday filled the pavilion and the brave and strong came even with the 50 mph winds that took over. Richmond pastors include: Pastors Tom, Randy, and myself and Price gets kudos for bringing in keyboard, trumpet, and sound system with speakers. It was just enough to be observant for Good Friday. Thank you to all who attended.

The 'noisy offering' from Good Friday for The Good Samaritan Fund was \$250.

Price will be away on May 8 & 15 and Linda Malan will substitute for him on those two Sunday's.

This weekend will be the last of the performances of the Richmond Community Choir. Friday night is at 7 p.m. at the Hight School and Sunday's performance is at 2:00. I hope they get a great turnout.

We had a new family on Easter and another has visited twice of late. We have a Baptism coming up in May but the date has not been determined.

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May 15 Blessing of Bikes in New Baltimore at North Shore Church - its a drive by for the bikers.

May 22 Eastern Association Gathering at 10:00 in East China.