How Do I Join?

Individuals may join the group at any time. There is no fee.

The following churches are members of the Bloomington-Richfield Grief Coalition:

Bloomington:

Christ The King Lutheran

Nativity of Mary Catholic

Normandale Hylands United Methodist

Oak Grove Presbyterian

Peace Lutheran

St Bonaventure Catholic

St Edward's Catholic

St Luke's Lutheran

St Marks United Church of Christ

St Stephen Lutheran

Transfiguration Lutheran

Richfield:

Church of the Assumption

House of Prayer Lutheran

Oak Grove Lutheran

St Nicholas Episcopal

St Peter's Catholic

St Richard's Catholic

Woodlake Lutheran

Coping with a death can result in stressful changes. Attempts to deny the pain and confusion of grief promote despair and loneliness. Gaining an understanding of the grief process in a caring and supportive atmosphere increases coping skills and leads to personal growth.

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Grieving Death and Growing 2024



Bloomington—Richfield
Grief Support
Coalition

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Grief is a universal experience.

Churches in the Bloomington-Richfield area are working together to provide support and education for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one.



Group meetings are held on Thursdays, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Each session includes:

4:30-5 p.m. – Educational presentation 5-6 p.m. – Small groups will be formed to share concerns and experiences

Education

Understanding the grief process and the many emotions involved in working through one's grief makes the journey less frightening. Guest speakers share their own experience and professional knowledge on grief and loss.

Support

Small groups will follow a speaker or video each week. In these groups participants will have the opportunity to share their feelings and concerns with others who are also working through the grief process.

Specially trained facilitators lead the groups.



"I am grateful, from the bottom of my heart, that I have shared the life of my loved one. And I trust that someday my happiness, as I remember our life together, will far outweigh the grief I feel now."

-Martha Whitmore Hickman



2024 Schedule

Thursdays 4:30-6:00 p.m. Education 4:30-5:00 p.m. Small groups 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Winter 2024 January 4 through February 22

St Luke's Lutheran Church 1701 W Old Shakopee Rd Bloomington, MN 55431 office@stlukesbloomington.org

Spring 2024
March 28 through May 16

Oak Grove Lutheran Church 7045 Lyndale Ave S Richfield, MN 55423 lidia@oakgrovelutheran.org

Summer 2024 July 4 through August 22

House of Prayer Lutheran Church 7625 Chicago Ave S Richfield, MN 55423 cwright@hoplc.org

Fall 2024
September 19 through November 7

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