

October 18, 2026



**Roscoe United
Methodist Church**

Bringing God's Love To Life

Connect  Grow  Serve

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these.

Mark 12:30-31

Morning Worship

Prelude - *Bell Jubilee*, Ellen Jane Lorenz

Greeting & Announcements

***Opening Song** – Holy Is the Lord

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord - praise the Lord, O my soul!

Let us praise God as long as we live.

God alone is worthy of our devotion

We will sing praise to the Divine One all our life long.

Grace to you and peace as well - from the God whose care we know. Let us worship now, giving to God all that belongs to God.

We bring all that we are to this place of worship.

Praise be to the Lord for joy inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Opening Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

We confess, O God, that we haven't fulfilled the tasks for which you've chosen us. We've failed to share the joy of our faith. We've neglected to learn and pray and witness to your living presence among us. You have not received our full loyalty and devotion. O God, help us to refocus our energies and reclaim the mission you set before us. Hear us as we confess to you our individual sins in the silence...

Assurance of Forgiveness

Special Music – *Down in the River to Pray*, John A. Behnke

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *At Your Name*

***Doxology #95**

***Offering Prayer**

***Hymn** – This Is My Father's World #144 (vs. 1-3)

Scriptures - Deuteronomy 34:1-12, p. *Matthew 22: 1-10

Message

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Closing Hymn - How Great Thou Art*

***Pastoral Benediction**

Postlude

*** stand if able**

**Chancel flowers today are provided by
Landon & Mya McKinney in honor of Jeff and
Carrie McKinney's 20th Anniversary.**



**Today, Sunday, October 18 there will be hospitality and an
open-house memorial for RUMC member Tom Moore in
Harman Hall after each worship service.**



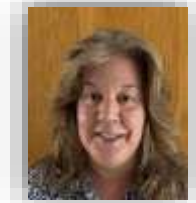
We Are A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Stephen Ministry is a Christian, confidential,
one-to-one caring ministry, women with
women and men with men. Stephen Ministers

are members of our congregation who are trained to listen,
care, encourage, pray and walk alongside you during
difficult times. To learn more about Stephen Ministry
please contact any of our Stephen Ministers.

Their photos are on the ramp. If you would
like a Stephen Minister, please contact Pastor
Ryan or the church office.

Today's Stephen Minister is Mary Kormanak.



Large-print hymnals and bibles and hearing
assistive devices are available at the AV desk.

Opt-In to the New RUMC Realm Directory and App!

This new app has more features than our previous ChurchLife directory app, so opt-in and take a look!



Sunday Volunteers	10/18/2026
Reader 8:30	Jill Foster
Ushers 8:30	Patty Terwee, Janet Rowell
Reader 10:00	Pat Watts
Ushers 10:00	Kathi Anderson
Music	Steps of Faith, Wesley Ringers
AV Team	Carl Mohns, Robb Limke
Stephen Minister	Mary Kormanak
Hospitality Baker	Tom Moore Family
Hospitality Host	Carrie McKinney, Tom Moore Family

Sunday Volunteers	10/25/2026
Reader 8:30	Lynn Washburn-Livingston
Ushers 8:30	Duke & Vicki Sims
Reader 10:00	
Ushers 10:00	Toni Murray, Pat Watts
Music	Chancel Choir
AV Team	Doug Johnson, Mary Weeks-Baxter
Stephen Minister	
Hospitality Baker	Margaret Diehl
Hospitality Host	Britt Fleming

RUMC Upcoming Events

Sunday, 18 Oct – Tom Moore Remembrance in Harman Hall
Discovering your spiritual gifts workshop

Saturday, 24 Oct – RUMC Cleanup Day

Sunday, 25 Oct – Baptism of Allison Mayer - 10:00 AM

Sunday, 1 Nov – All Saints Sunday

Saturday, 21 Nov – Roscoe Hometown Holidays

Monday, 23 Nov – Annual Church Conference

Wednesday, 25 Nov – Thanksgiving Eve Service

Monday, 30 Nov – Service of Comfort and Hope

Sunday, 6 Dec – RUMC Sunday Supper Club

Saturday, 12 Dec – Alleluia Quartet Concert

BOOK SISTERS' October selection is The Secret Chord by Geraldine Brooks.



Join us on Thursday, October 29 at 6 P.m. for the discussion. Peeling away the myth to bring the Old Testament's King David to life in Second Iron Age Israel, Brooks traces the arc of his journey from obscurity to fame, from shepherd to soldier, from hero to traitor, from beloved king to murderous despot and into his remorseful and diminished dotage.

DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Sun. Oct. 11 & 18
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Led by Pastor Ryan

Learn about the different gifts God bestows upon his people at session 1. At session 2 find out which gifts He has given you to use in service of His kingdom.

SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX





Sunday Morning Coffee Hour

**Before and after Sunday services is a great
time to connect with each other!**

**Join us in Harman Hall for conversation,
coffee and snacks beginning September 20th.**

**You can help too! Volunteer as a Host or Baker
online at www.volunteersignup.org/9WRHR**

**Thank you for helping make
Roscoe UMC a great place to worship!**

**Thomas Moore - July 6, 1932 –
August 9, 2026**

Aged 94 years.

Tom was raised in Downers Grove,
Illinois moving to Rockford in 1961
where Thomas lived a full and



wonderful life. He was a proud Army Veteran who deeply
loved serving both his country and his community. An
active and dedicated volunteer, Thomas gave his time
generously to his local church, the Kiwanis Club, and Meals
on Wheels. Thomas and his loving wife of 50 years, Bonnie,
shared a passion for running and were a constant fixture at
local 5K races. A testament to his enduring energy and
spirit, Thomas even completed a half marathon at the age
of 79 alongside his granddaughter, Breanna Kusz.

Together, Tom and Bonnie loved traveling near and far, always finding peace and joy near the water, whether at their Wisconsin lake home or their residence in Florida. Thomas was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Bonnie. He is survived by his sister Mary Courtney; his three children: Karen Moore (Denny Alms), Paula (Spence) Sechler, and David Moore; his two stepdaughters, Staci Heal and Stephanie Baxter; and his five cherished grandchildren, Breanna Kusz, Daniel Moore, Jeremy Baxter, Jennifer Baxter, and Rachel Heal and 4 great grandchildren.

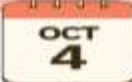
2026 All Saints Sunday will be celebrated in the worship services on Sunday, November 1st. If you have loved ones who have passed in the last year and you would like them to be remembered during worship services, please submit names and photos (if available) of them to the church office by Sunday, October 25th or email to office@roscoeumc.org





RUMC YOUTH GROUP

OCTOBER SCHEDULE

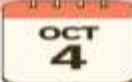
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QUESTIONS? EMAIL COLBY CROSS:
RUMCYOUTH@ROSCOEUMC.ORG



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ROSCOE UNITED METHODIST
IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE!
Mission Day-Trip

FEED MY
STARVING
CHILDREN



THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 28

HELP PACK MEALS WITH "FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN"

- 7:30 AM CARPOOL TO SCHAUMBURG FROM RUMC
- 9 - 11:00 AM PACK MIRACLE MEALS
- 11:30 - 1:00 STOP FOR LUNCH IN SCHAUMBURG.
- 2:00 RETURN TO RUMC



RUMC CARD CLUB

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24
3:00 PM TO WHENEVER!
HARMAN HALL

ALL ADULTS ARE INVITED
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

*Hand & Foot is now being played, as well as
any other game of the group's choosing.*

PRAIRIE NORTH FALL 2026

LAY ACADEMY

Sat., November 7

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sun., November 8

1 to 4:30 p.m.



Cost:

Lunch (Saturday only)
snacks, water and coffee
will be provided.

- \$20 before or on Sept. 30
- \$25 before or on Nov. 2

Roscoe UMC 10816 Main St., Roscoe, IL 61073

Class Options: (one course per academy)

- 1 United Methodist Heritage (Living Our United Methodist Beliefs)
- 2 United Methodist Polity (Life Together in the United Methodist Connection)
- 3 Sacraments: Means of Grace
- 4 Teaching Biblical Faith: Leading Small Group Bible Studies

All books may be purchased at your favorite bookseller.
All class times must be attended to receive course credit.

QUESTIONS?

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FALL LAY ACADEMY
PRAIRIE NORTH DISTRICT
INFO AND REGISTRATION

Register Online: Registration Deadline: Mon., Nov. 2

umcnlc.org/calendar/prairie-north-lay-academy-fall-2026



Northern Illinois Conference
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ROSCHIE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION MEETING

**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
ABOUT JOINING ROSCHIE UMC?
JOIN US ON
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
AT 11:15 AM
NORTH ROOM**

This is a very informal gathering where you can meet
some of the staff, ask questions and learn more about
what it means to be a member of RUMC.

Come with any questions you might have for
Pastor Ryan.

Please RSVP to the church office at 815-623-2292 or
office@roschieumc.org by Wednesday, October 21st.



GriefShare

**TWO-HOUR
SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS
WORKSHOP**

**Sunday, Nov. 15
1:00 - 3:00 PM**

**Contact Sally Burie at caring@roscoeumc.org
with questions or to sign up.**



10816 Main St.
Roscoe, IL 61073
815-623-2292
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CROP WALK – Sunday, October 18

Pastor Ryan will be walking the 40th annual CROP Walk to raise money and awareness to end hunger. At 1:00pm in Rockford (weather permitting), anyone who wants to walk four miles is invited to join in - letting us know how it is in other countries where it takes a mighty effort to secure your food. Please let him know if you'd like to participate; we can carpool from the church. You are also welcome to give a financial donation to help hunger-related charities in our area.



SOUP & CHILI COOK-OFF

*Tasters & Cooks
Wanted!*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

11:30 AM

HARMAN HALL

*Prize for the
Winner!*

WAYS YOU CAN PARTICIPATE

- **Be a COOK!**
Sign up in the Narthex to enter.
AND BRING YOUR RECIPE TO SHARE!
- **Be a TASTER** and eat lunch here!
VOTE for your favorites, no RSVP needed
- Side dishes and dessert will be provided.

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*Will the winner be
Soup or Chili?*

2026 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Christmas will be here soon!

Order memorial poinsettias by November 15 to help decorate the sanctuary. Poinsettias will be displayed beginning December 13.

Look for the order envelopes in your pew pockets or the Narthex.

\$15 per plant.

A big thank-you for the wonderful Pastor Appreciation event that was held on October

11. October is officially Pastor Appreciation Month throughout the world-wide church, and it's a blessing to realize that you are making a positive impact. Thank you so much for the cards, gifts, food and well-wishes you gave me. It was all very much appreciated by me. And hopefully we all enjoyed the cake during Hospitality Time! Special thanks for the Events Team for putting it all together. I am glad to be in Roscoe, and hope we have many more good years of doing ministry together.

*Thank
you* 

Thank you again so much and God bless you,
Pastor Ryan



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

Farewell Open House

In honor of

KAREN SEVERN

Karen will be moving to a very
nice continuing care facility near her family in Minnesota.

OCTOBER

SUNDAY 18 10:30 - 12 PM

New Horizons Church
14035 Dorr Road
South Beloit, IL 61080
(Between Rockton Rd and Prairie Hill)



2026

Hosted by
ROSCOE

Homelown & Holidays Merry Market

**Saturday, November 21
3 - 7 PM**

Roscoe Main Street District

Meet Santa, Mrs. Claus & The Grinch

Tree Lighting at 6:30 PM

Hot Cocoa, Food & Drinks

Children's Activities

Free Shuttle
& Much More!

RUMC CLEANUP DAY

**Saturday,
October 24, 2026
8:00 to 10:00 AM**



Please join us for an All-Church Clean Up event on Saturday, October 24 from 8:00-10:00. As a huge positive, we are all done with mulch so we won't have to tackle that this round. We will be trimming hedges and weeding and getting the grounds and parsonage ready for winter. Can you bring hedge trimmers, weed whackers, blowers, tree trimmers, rakes and gloves?

Please sign up in the Narthex or email
Stacie Vanderheyden at stacie.vanderheyden@gmail.com.

Loose change collection from October will be donated to Rev. Young Seon (Christina) Kim who serves as director of the Next Generation Ministries of the church in Tanzania, based in Dar es Salaam.



Objectives of Rev. Kim’s work include preparing pastors and lay leaders with skills in relating to young people and analysis of the youth ministries presently underway in each of the church’s districts. Rev. Kim, a native of South Korea, is a clergy member of the Northern Illinois Annual Conference, ordained an elder in 1999.

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For RUMC information - www.roscoeumc.org or 815-623-2292

For United Methodist Church information - www.umnews.org

If you would like UMC Northern Illinois Conference information or articles, visit umcnic.org or Scan the code



Roscoe United Methodist Church Activities This Week!

Sunday, 18 October 2026

8:30 AM to 9:30 AM Worship Together Sanctuary
9:30 AM to 11:30 AM Morning Hospitality Harman Hall
9:45 AM to 10:45 AM Faith Adult Bible Class North Room
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM R-Kids Sunday School R-Kids Worship Space
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM Worship Together Sanctuary
11:15 AM to 11:45 AM Spiritual Gifts Class Parlor
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Youth Group Youth Room

Monday, 19 October 2026

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Worship Committee Parlor

Tuesday, 20 October 2026

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM RUMM Walk and Talk from Sophia's
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM Ladies Morning Exercise R-Kids Worship Space
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM RUMM Breakfast at Sophia's
9:30 AM to 3:30 PM The Bible Tells Me Sew Harman Hall
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM Women's Bible Study "As For Me" North Room
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM Nominations Committee Parlor
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Wesley Ringers Rehearsal Narthex
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

Wednesday, 21 October 2026

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM RUMM Coffee Group @ Bagels & More, Beloit
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM Share & Prayer Parlor
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM Finance Committee Parlor
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM Administrative Board Meeting 111
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Garage Guys Gray Garage

Thursday, 22 October 2026

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM Ladies Morning Exercise R-Kids Worship Space
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM RUMM Coffee Group @ Mary's Market - Roscoe
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM Mahalo rehearsal Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Steps of Faith Rehearsal Sanctuary

Friday, 23 October 2026

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Play Mahjong Harman Hall

Saturday, 24 October 2026

8:00 AM to 10:00 AM RUMC Clean-up Day
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Grief Share 115
3:00 PM to 8:00 PM Card Club Harman Hall

Roscoe United Methodist YOUTH MISSION TRIP Candle Fundraiser

CandleCrest

Artisan Hand Poured Soy Candles

**SUPPORT OUR YOUTH
MISSION TRIP!**

40% of every candle sold
supports our youth mission trip.

WHEN TO BUY

Between services in the Narthex

October 11, 18, and 25

Or from any youth attending the trip.

PRICE

\$17 each

12oz jars

SMELL BEFORE YOU BUY

We will have sample scent
jars available so you can find
your favorite!

