November 22, 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

Greeting & Announcements

***Opening Hymn** – *We Gather Together* #131 (vs. 1-3)

Call to Worship

God comes searching for us, seeking our response.
Like a good shepherd, the Lord watches over us.
God provides for us all that we truly need.
By still waters, we are led to green pastures with what is needed.
God gathers us from many backgrounds and traditions.
The Lord rescues us from the shadows of our scattered places.
The worship of God restores our souls.
Here we are strengthened for life in the valley.

Opening Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

We confess, O God, that we've failed to see Jesus in the strangers around us. We forget about the sick and hungry and homeless because of our busy schedules. Yet we too have been needy and weak and afraid - and in need of help. O God, forgive our self-concern that shuts out others and cuts us off from you. In the stillness of our hearts, we now silently share our sins with you...

Assurance of Forgiveness

Celebration of New Members (10:00)

Baptism (10:00) Dean Anthony Peterson

Special Music – *I Will Give Thanks* by Craig Courtney

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *Shepherd Me, O God* by Marty Haugen and Mark Hayes

***Doxology #95**

***Offering Prayer**
***Hymn** (8:30) - *For the Beauty of the Earth #92* (vs. 1, 2, 6)
Commissioning of Stephen Leader - Mary Kormanak
Scriptures – Psalm 23, p. 510; Ephesians 1: 15-23, p. 1079
Message
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer
***Closing Hymn** – *Now Thank We All Our God #102* (vs. 1-3)
***Pastoral Benediction**
Postlude

*** stand if able**

Today's chancel flowers are provided by Dan & Joy Morgan in honor of the 35th anniversary of their marriage.



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

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 Lynn Washburn-Livingston



Sunday Volunteers	**11/22/2026**
Reader 8:30	Tom Diehl
Ushers 8:30	Roberta Allen, Rob Baxter
Reader 10:00	Caitlin Pusateri
Ushers 10:00	Toni Murray, Pat Watts
Music	Chancel Choir
AV Team	Doug Johnson, Robb Limke, Tannis McLean
Stephen Minister	Lynn Washburn-Livingston
Hospitality Baker	Pat Hooper
Hospitality Host	Sheila Clark

Sunday Volunteers	**11/29/2026**
Reader 8:30	Bill Null
Ushers 8:30	Doug & Dee Johnson
Reader 10:00	Pat Watts
Ushers 10:00	
Music	Cathy Anderson
AV Team	Tannis McLean, Carl Mohns, Mary Weaks-Baxter
Stephen Minister	Mary Kormanak
Hospitality	Dolly Gunderson

RUMC Annual Church Conference

All members are invited to the annual church conference on **Monday, November 23** at 6:30pm. The annual conference is when our congregation celebrates what RUMC accomplished in the past year, approves 2026 reports from church committees from 2026, and elects new committee members.

ROSCOE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CAROLING & COOKIES

SUN 13 DEC

COST: 2 DOZEN COOKIES



3:00 PM SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX

CHRISTMAS CAROLING IN HODGES RUN, THEN COOKIE EXCHANGE AND HOT CHOCOLATE AND COFFEE IN HARMAN HALL

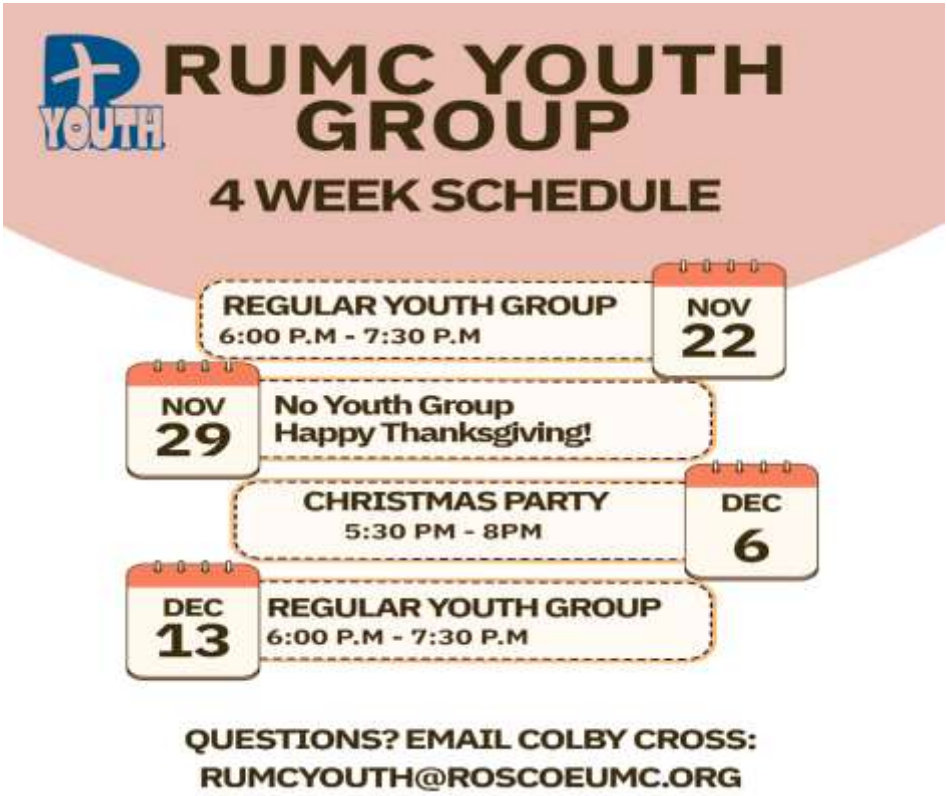


RUMC Upcoming Events

Sunday, 22 Nov – Baptism of Dean Peterson
Monday, 23 Nov – Annual Church Conference
Tuesday, 24 Nov – Christmas Decorating
Wednesday, 25 Nov – Thanksgiving Eve Service
Sunday, 29 Nov – 1st Sunday of Advent
Monday, 30 Nov – Service of Comfort and Hope
Sunday, 6 Dec – RUMC Sunday Supper Club,
Youth Christmas Party
Saturday, 12 Dec – Alleluia Quartet & Enlighten Concert
Saturday, 10 Dec - Peter Mayer Concert
Thursday, 24 Dec – Christmas Eve services @ 5, 7, 9 & 11 PM

There will be no RUMC Mahjong game on Friday, November 27.
There will be no Saturday Card Group in November or December. Next meeting will be January 23, 2027.

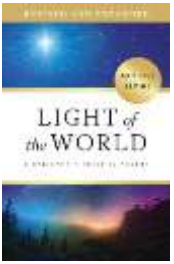

YOU'RE INVITED TO RUMC
Supper Club
Sunday
Holiday Style
BRING AN APPETIZER &
LET'S GATHER TOGETHER
SUNDAY
DECEMBER 6
2026
05:00 PM
The Home of
Pat Ericson
7835 Louella Dr
Roscoe
RSVP - Your Name & Appetizer You Will Bring
On Signup Sheet in Narthex OR
Text Tammy @ 815-289-1105
By 11/30/2026
Join us for an evening of good food, warm
company, and the blessings of the season!
We can't wait to
celebrate with you!





BOOK SISTERS' November selection is **Tom Lake by Ann Patchett.** In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater company called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew.
Join us on Thursday, December 10 at 6 p.m. in the parlor for the discussion.

2026 Advent Book Study



Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20 2 – 3 PM

Led by Pastor Ryan - Sign up in the Narthex

In Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus. Join her as she traces the Christmas narrative through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, and the visit from the Magi. These stories open conversations around connections of the Gospel stories to the Old Testament, the role of women in first-century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, and the star of Bethlehem and the flight to Egypt.




ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH
ARE INVITED TO A ...
Youth
Christmas
Party
SUNDAY DECEMBER 6, 2026
5:30-8:00PM
THE PARSONAGE 5583 HAZEL CLOSE, ROSCOE.
WHITE ELEPHANT THRIFT GIFT EXCHANGE CHALLENGE!
Bring a wrapped $5 or less thrift store find.
Prizes for the most creative, most useful, looks expensive but it's not, and gift no one knew they needed.
Come for the food and games,
Stay for the fun,
and Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas!

With the holidays approaching, SPRC would like to show the lay staff our appreciation for all they have done this year with a love offering. To that end, monetary contributions will be collected through Sunday, November 29th. These can be made online or via cash or check.

For cash and check donations, please make sure your contribution is placed in an envelope clearly marked "Staff Love Gift" so it can be routed appropriately, drop it in the offering plate or the church office. An online greetings and donation form may be found on the RUMC website under the "Staff" tab.

We look forward to celebrating this wonderful time of year and our wonderful staff on Sunday, December 6th. A festive box for additional cards will be available during fellowship time between the services, and special refreshments will be served. Please plan to join us if you are able!

Happy holidays from the SPRC!

If you are missing a coat please check the cloak room off the Narthex and coat racks by Harman Hall. We have several coats and jackets which have been visiting at RUMC since last spring.

Please sign up in the narthex to help with Advent and Christmas Eve services.

Don't forget to turn in your 2027 Let's Grow pledge cards.

Roscoe United Methodist Men present

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT

by

The Alleluia Quartet & Enlighten

Saturday, December 12
6:30 PM

All Are Invited

Free Will Offering





Cookies and Cider will be served in Harman Hall after the concert.

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HELPING THE UNHOUSED WITH WILLIAMS TREE FARM

Williams tree farm is asking for donations of items below for distribution to unhoused families in Beloit.



Requested items:

Blankets
Tents & Tarps
Children's winter Coats, Hats, Mittens and Boots, Snowpants, and Socks
Toys, Diapers & Baby Wipes
Prepackaged Breakfast Items
Hygiene Products

Donations will be collected at RUMC to be taken to William's Tree Farm. The tree farm Santa will visit unhoused families in the Beloit area to deliver the gifts with the help of Beloit Homeless Outreach project and Ellis Academy.

rockford rescue mission
rescue + recover + restore

Loose change collection from November will be donated to Rockford Rescue Mission Rockford Rescue Mission offers Christ-centered care to people struggling with challenges like homelessness, poverty, abuse and addiction.

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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, 22 November 2026
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM Worship Together Sanctuary
9:30 AM to 11:30 AM Morning Hospitality Harman Hall
10:00 AM to 11:00 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
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Youth Group Youth Room
Monday, 23 November 2026
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM Staff Meeting Parlor
1:00 PM to 3:30 PM Bunco Harman Hall
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM Mahalo rehearsal Sanctuary
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM SPRC Parlor
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM RUMC Church Conference Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Stephen Ministry 110
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Tuesday, 24 November 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
9:00 AM to 11:30 AM Christmas Decorating Sanctuary
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Enlighten Rehearsal Sanctuary
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Wesley Ringers Rehearsal Narthex
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
Wednesday, 25 November 2026
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM RUMM Coffee Group @ Bagels & More, Beloit
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship Sanctuary
Thursday, 26 November 2026 - Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
Friday, 27 November 2026 - Office Closed
Saturday, 28 November 2026
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Roscoe Recovery (AA) North Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Saturday Morning Hope - Al-Anon 102/103

Service of Comfort and Hope

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30
6:00 PM

The holidays may not be bright and merry for all.

The Stephen Ministers are leading a Service of Comfort and Hope to celebrate the quiet joy of the season.

Join us for music, readings and prayer.



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