

# May 3, 2026 Confirmation Sunday



**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** – *In Your Hands*, by Unspoken

**Greeting & Announcements**

**\*Opening Song** – *Grace Like Rain*, by Todd Agnew

**Call to Worship**

Look up and see that the heavens are open to us.

Sense the mystery of God's presence with us.

**We are glad to gather together so the Lord may uplift us. God is our refuge in whom we trust.**

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

Celebrate the good news on any day – Christ is risen!

**We will not fear losses or suffering.**

**We are raised with Christ to new life.**

Come to worship Christ – chosen by God and precious to us.

**We rejoice in God's faithfulness that redeems us.**

**Opening Prayer**

**Outstanding Service Award**

**Introduction of Confirmands and Faith Statements**

Josh Stevens

Aubrey Mae Reynolds

Mya Ann McKinney

Gwen Arabelle Vanderheyden

Ella Patricia Grant

Cambria Rose Pierce

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory** – *You're Carrying Me*, by Vineyard Worship

**\*Doxology #95**

**\*Offering Prayer**

**Scripture** – Philippians 4:13 p.1087

**Message** – Russell Vanderheyden and Kim Schuldt

**Affirmation of Faith** – **Apostle's Creed**

**Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Baptism**

**Holy Communion**  
**Prayers of the People**  
**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Song** – *My Feet Are On the Rock*, by I Am They

**\*Confirmation Benediction**

**Postlude**

**\* stand if able**

**Assistive hearing devices and large-print hymnals and Bibles are available at the sanctuary tech booth.  
Please join us after worship for fellowship and treats in Harman Hall!**

**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:**  
**Sally Burie**



**Chancel flower donation calendar is located in the south foyer next to the lift.**



## The Confirmands' Statements of Faith



**Josh Stevens** - I believe in one God, the creator of all things. I believe that Jesus Christ died for our sins, was resurrected, and is our holy father. I believe that the Bible is the inspirational words of God that will guide me through life.



**Aubrey Mae Reynolds** - I feel God when I'm nervous or afraid, but I know that He is with me. God gives me a purpose, and He will take me on the right path. I am guided, protected, and loved by a divine power. Even when I cannot see it, God is working miracles for me. I'm living each day with confidence in His character, His words, and His plan. Faith is the light that guides me through the darkness.



**Mya Ann McKinney** - My journey through this confirmation process has been a roller coaster. There has been many ups and downs, but no matter what, God is always with me. For the kids who have yet to get confirmed, I strongly encourage you to lean on your faith family. This church has helped me through so much, and I would not have been able to do this whole journey without my faith family encouraging me the whole way. Always remember God walks with you, no matter the mistakes you make. He will be there when you are at your lowest and your highest. He will be there for your failures and achievements. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped me throughout my whole journey with confirmation and finding my connection with God.

One verse that has really connected with me is John 14:27, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”



**Gwen Arabelle Vanderheyden** - I have faith in Jesus Christ, the Son sent by our Father. I believe in the Holy Spirit, who resides within each of us. I hold fast to the truth of the crucifixion, understanding that He died for our sins. I believe in His resurrection, which demonstrates how we can open our hearts to Him. He is my steadfast rock

and my savior, truly the King of kings. I am convinced that He was, is, and will always be by my side. The knowledge that I have a faithful friend walking with me and guiding my path brings me everlasting comfort.

**Ella Patricia Grant** - I believe in one God who exists eternally as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and he died on the cross to save us from our sins. I believe the Bible is God’s word and is the truth and foundation for guidance. My faith calls me to love God, love others, live with integrity, and share the hope I have in Christ.

**Cambria Rose Pierce** - I believe in God the Father, who created and loves us. I believe in Jesus Christ, His Son, who died for our sins and rose again so that we may have eternal life. I believe in the Holy Spirit, who guides and strengthens my faith. Through confirmation, I choose to follow Jesus and grow in my faith by loving and serving others.

<b>Sunday Volunteers</b>	<b>5/3/2026</b>
<b>Reader 8:30</b>	Gwen Vanderheyden
<b>Ushers 8:30</b>	Tom & Margaret Diehl
<b>Reader 10:00</b>	Gwen Vanderheyden
<b>Ushers 10:00</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Classes
<b>Music</b>	Mahalo
<b>AV Team</b>	Carl Mohns, Robb Limke, Tannis McLean
<b>Stephen Minister</b>	Sally Burie
<b>Communion Setup</b>	Vicki Sims
<b>Communion servers</b>	Confirmation Class of 2026
<b>Hospitality Baker</b>	Carrie McKinney
<b>Hospitality Host</b>	Mary Kormanak

## **RUMC UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday, May 6:** Feed My Starving Children mission trip

**Sunday, May 10:** Mother's Day Carnations

**Saturday, May 16:** Garden Club Plant Sale

**Sunday, May 17:** RUMM Breakfast with Hoo Haven

Exploring Membership

Youth Group outing at 9 Iron Golf

**Wednesday, May 20:** Senior Singles Organizational Meeting

**Sunday, May 31:** Graduate Recognition at 10:00 Am Worship

Youth Group Cook-out and Game Night

**June 8 – 12:** VBS 2026 Kingdom Quest



**THURSDAY,  
MAY 7, 2026  
12 - 6 PM**

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

- YOU ARE INVITED TO COME AND PRAY FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE OR SITUATION IN YOUR LIFE.
- LIGHT A CANDLE AND PRAY IN THE SANCTUARY AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS.
- COMMUNION AVAILABLE.
- COME AND GO AT YOUR LEISURE.

*BRING A FRIEND!*

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<b>Sunday Volunteers</b>	<b>5/10/2026</b>
<b>Reader 8:30</b>	Lynn Washburn-Livingston
<b>Ushers 8:30</b>	Roberta Allen, Carla Jorgensen
<b>Reader 10:00</b>	Peggy Franklin
<b>Ushers 10:00</b>	Katherine Carlson Family
<b>Music</b>	Enlighten
<b>AV Team</b>	Doug Johnson, Ryan Carlson, Katherine Carlson
<b>Stephen Minister</b>	Mary Kormanak
<b>Hospitality Baker</b>	Curt & Shelley Sheffield

# RUMC IS HIRING!

**Youth Director (approximately 16 - 20 hrs. per week)**

**Summary:** Supports the mission of Roscoe United Methodist Church by creating a Christ-centered community where youth (Grades 6–12) feel known, loved, and equipped to follow Jesus.



The Director will implement a "Relationships Over Programs" philosophy, utilizing a "Together and Then Apart" model that combines Middle and Senior High for energy and worship, while separating them for age-appropriate small group discipleship. The goal is to cultivate genuine relationships between youth, caring adults, and Jesus, empowering students to serve the world through compassion and outreach.

**Scan the QR code above for complete job description and employment application or visit our website at [roscoeumc.org/staff/job-openings](https://roscoeumc.org/staff/job-openings)**



**LIFE DECISIONS**  
BUILDING A TRIBE OF MENTORS

**LET'S RE-USE THOSE SHOES!**

**Now through June 13 Drop off  
New and Gently Used Shoes at  
Roscoe United Methodist!**



## Roscoe United Methodist Missions Sponsors Shoe Collection for Life Decisions

Roscoe United Methodist was the top shoe collection location

for the Life Decisions shoe collection fundraiser in 2024, collecting over 1,000 pairs of footwear. We can do it again!

Help Life Decisions raise funds by donating gently worn, used and new shoes now through June 13. Collected shoes not only help support Life Decisions mentoring, but they will also be reused and given a second life by those in need through creating microenterprise in developing countries.

### **Turning Donated Shoes into Sustainable Income**

A green job helps preserve or restore the environment — and that's precisely what micro-entrepreneurs get through Funds2Orgs shoe drive fundraisers. When organizations collect gently worn, used, and new shoes, they are sent to developing countries. In turn, local micro-entrepreneurs resell the footwear, which creates sustainable income and opportunities to reduce poverty. Furthermore, reuse economy practices keep millions of shoes out of landfills.

**Life Decisions** is a nonprofit in Rockford helping at-risk and justice-involved youth get back on track, stay out of trouble and reach healthy adulthood. Their mission is to build a Tribe of Mentors, by investing in the lives of overlooked and undervalued youth, ages 15-23, by equipping people and creating opportunities for relational mentoring.

They provide relational mentoring in a variety of areas and have a Day Home where youth learn life skills, career and college readiness, work experience, gardening, meal prep and more.

## Women's Retreat

✨ **BE THE SPARK BEHIND THE SPIRIT!** ✨

We are officially kicking off planning a 2027 Women's Retreat, and we need you to help bring it to life. Are you a planner, logistics pro, decorator, crafter, communications guru or interested in worship planning? We are forming our teams. No experience needed—just a heart for fellowship and a willing spirit.

### Questions?

#### Contact

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Join us for a quick interest meeting on **Saturday, May 16 at 11 am in Room 102/103.**

Meeting sign-up is in the Narthex.

**MATURE METHODISTS**  
2ND TUES.  
EACH MONTH

**TUESDAY, MAY 12TH AT 12:00  
PM MEET FOR LUNCH AT  
ROSCOE BEEF-A-ROO.  
CALL PEGGY FRANKLIN  
FOR INFO AT 815-494-9088**

**BEEF A ROO**

ROSCOE UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH

**EXPLORING  
MEMBERSHIP**

Are you interested in becoming a  
member of Roscoe UMC?

**SUNDAY, MAY 17  
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@roscoeumc.org](mailto:office@roscoeumc.org) by Wednesday, May 13th



**2026 RUMM  
FALL RETREAT  
October 1st-4th  
Eagle Waters Resort**



**Space Is Limited - Sign Up Early - \$200 Deposit**

Contact Mark LaMonica for more info at  
815-222-5880 or [mastercraft2514@gmail.com](mailto:mastercraft2514@gmail.com)



**Saturday,  
June 20, 2026  
8:00 to 10:00 AM**

# **RUMC CLEANUP DAY**

Please join us for an All-Church Clean Up event on June 20, 2026 from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. The cleanup areas are at RUMC. We will need help picking up sticks, re-seeding and adding topsoil to bare areas around the parking lots.

Please consider helping, putting in volunteer hours for middle or high school service projects, or just coming to help cheer on others.

Please sign up in the Narthex or email  
Stacie Vanderheyden at  
[stacie.vanderheyden@gmail.com](mailto:stacie.vanderheyden@gmail.com).



**MAY 17, 2026**

**RUMC  
YOUTH GROUP EVENT  
6TH-12TH GRADES**

**9 IRON**

**996 BELVIDERE RD.  
BELVIDERE, IL**

**6-8PM**

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS!  
FOOD & DRINKS PROVIDED!**

**RSVP BY 5/13 TO JAIME OR RYAN  
YOUTH@ROSCOEUMC.ORG  
815-980-0682 OR 815-499-6314**

**Need a ride?**

Meet at RUMC @ 5:30PM  
Pick-up @ RUMC  
approx. 8:30PM  
RSVP to reserve a spot.



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**COME PLAY WITH US!**

Join us for an evening of ice cream, games and outside FUN!

**COOKIES & CREAM**

**Thursday, June 11  
6:00 - 7:30 PM**

10816 Main St, Roscoe, IL 61073

More Information:  
815-623-2292

**ice cream**  
**BUBBLES**  
**SIDEWALK CHALK**  
**Boba Ball**  
**Bags**

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Faith • Friendship • Fruit  
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**PLANT SALE!**

**SATURDAY, MAY 16**

**9 - 11:30 AM**

**AT THE GRAY GARAGE**

- Lots of Annuals and Perennials
- Home-Grown Vegetable Plants
- Lawn and Garden Decor
- Support your community and Old Stone Food Pantry in Rockton



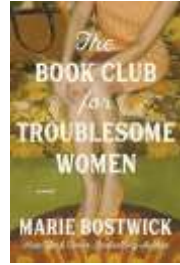
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— THE GREAT & GLORIOUS GOD ALMIGHTY —

**Read The Bookclub for troublesome women, by Marie Bostwick and join the BOOK SISTERS on Thursday, May 28 at 6 PM in the parlor for a great discussion!**



By early 1960s standards, Margaret Ryan, Viv Buschetti, and Bitsy Cobb, suburban housewives in a brand-new "planned community" in Northern Virginia, appear to have it all. The fact that "all" doesn't feel like enough leaves them feeling confused and guilty, certain the fault must lie with them. Things begin to change when they form a book club with Charlotte Gustafson--the eccentric and artsy "new neighbor" from Manhattan--and read Betty Friedan's just-released book, *The Feminine Mystique*.

Controversial and groundbreaking, the book struck a chord with an entire generation of women, helping them realize that they weren't alone in their dissatisfactions, or their longings, lifting their eyes to new horizons of possibility and achievement.

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### **To Our RUMC Family**

The family of our Junie Reed wish to express our very heartfelt thanks to all our RUMC family for all the love and support during



June's medical problems. We feel very blessed to be among such good and caring people. We also give our thanks to Pastor Ryan for the hospital visits, kindness, love and support during our very difficult loss of our Junie.

Malcolm & Family

UMM  
WITH HOPE

ALL ARE INVITED!

*"Mom, whooo are those animals?"*

**Sunday, May 17 Harman Hall  
7:00 AM**

*Breakfast and a Presentation*

**by "Hoo" Haven Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Center**

*(Yes, there will be animals.)*

2026 Graduates



Do you have a student in our congregation graduating from high school, higher degree program or trade school? We

would like to include them in our graduate recognition day on Sunday, May 31 at the 10 AM worship service. To include your graduate in our video salute to the graduates please send a picture of your graduate and include what degree, the school or program, and what they plan next. Email to [office@roscoeumc.org](mailto:office@roscoeumc.org) or drop it off in the church office by May 17th. Be sure to attend on Sunday, May 31 at the 10 AM service to congratulate them and pray God's blessing on their future.

# RUMC SINGLE SENIORS

Organizational Meeting

Wednesday, May 20

1:00 PM

Harman Hall

Help choose  
upcoming in-house  
and off-site activities,  
trips and more!



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Group Activities

Companionship and  
Social Engagement

Light Refreshments Served



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This newly forming group is open to Seniors who are single  
and wish to attend social activities with other Senior Singles.

# Loose change collection from May will be donated to support The Martin Keagy Fund.

Supporting NIC small town and rural churches is the mission of the fund. Grants are used to train people in skills useful for effective rural ministry, promote awareness of rural concerns and issues, enhance existing ministries, and develop new ministries in response to the changing rural environment.

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For United Methodist Church information - [www.umnews.org](http://www.umnews.org)  
*If you would like UMC Northern Illinois Conference information or articles, visit [umcnic.org](http://umcnic.org) or Scan the code*



# **This week at Roscoe United Methodist Church!**

## **Sunday, 03 May 2026**

8:30 AM to 9:30 AM Worship Together Confirmation Sunday Sanctuary  
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 Confirmation Sunday Sanctuary  
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Youth Group Youth Room

## **Monday, 04 May 2026**

10:30 AM to 11:30 AM Special Events Meeting Parlor  
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM RUMC Staff meeting Parlor  
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM Mahalo rehearsal Sanctuary

## **Tuesday, 05 May 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  
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

## **Wednesday, 06 May 2026**

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM RUMM Coffee Group @ Bagels & More, Beloit  
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM Share & Prayer Parlor  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Garage Guys Gray Garage

## **Thursday, 07 May 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  
11:30 AM to 3:00 PM Community Card Club Harman Hall  
12:00 PM to 6:30 PM National Day of Prayer Sanctuary  
12:30 PM to 2:00 PM Knit Wits Parlor  
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Missions Committee Parlor

## **Friday, 08 May 2026**

10:30 AM to 11:00 AM VNS Mother's Day Craft Harman Hall  
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Steps of Faith Rehearsal Sanctuary

## **Saturday, 09 May 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



# **KINGDOM QUEST**

**AN EPIC JOURNEY TO  
DISCOVER GOD'S KINGDOM**

## **UBS 2026**

**JUNE 8 - 12, 2026**

**9:00 - 12:00**

**AGES 4 YRS  
(BY SEPT. 1)**

**- 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
(GRADE ENTERING FALL 2026)**

**COST: \$25 PER CAMPER**

**REGISTRATION APRIL 5 - MAY 17, 2026**

**AT**

**ROSCOEUMC.ORG OR SCAN QR CODE**



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