

July 2026

The MESSENGER

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Worship Team

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Altar Guild

⇒ July 8

Church Council

⇒ July 14

Call Committee

⇒ July 28

From Our Council President

Holy God, your creation is beautiful. Every person here is precious. You created them exactly as you wanted them to be. Help us as your church community to see your hand on all of us. Thank you for creating us and our church.

In Christ's love,
Pam Novotnak
Council President

Stewardship Moment

Even though Prince of Peace is no longer recycling with our trash pickup, we ARE still recycling. Members of the congregation are taking the kitchen recyclables home. So when you finish that bottle of water, place the empty bottle on the kitchen counter and it will be taken care of. Please do not throw plastic bottles into the trash. Remember we are all stewards of God's land.

Sherre Faulkner
Stewardship Deacon

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee meets on a monthly basis. We are prayerfully continuing our process to search for a pastor. We are in contact with LCMC where our posting is located. It is also on the website of Institute of Lutheran Theology. We have received and reviewed applications. At this time, we continue to search for pastoral candidates that fulfill our job description and meet the qualifications according to the Prince of Peace constitution. Thank you for your prayers.

Members of the Call Committee are Bill Diemel, Stacy Diemel, Cyndy King, Darran Landenberger, Pam Novotnak, and Kara Wallace.



The Prince of Peace council members meet monthly. If you have questions or ideas, please contact one of the council deacons or attend a monthly meeting.

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Witness, OPEN

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Feeding the Hungry

Our local food pantry continues to serve needy families in the Rockton, Roscoe, Shirland, and South Beloit area. You can drop off your food donations in the church narthex or outside the church office at Prince of Peace.

The Old Stone Pantry currently is asking for:

canned fruit	applesauce
Ramen noodles	canned soup
canned pasta	chili
condiments	granola bars

Thank you for your help in serving our community!

50 North Senior Activity Center

Enhancing the quality
of life of adults 50+
through social, recrea-
tional, health and well-
ness, educational, and
nutritional programs.

*Rockton Community
Center
302 W. Main
Rockton, IL*

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tuesday, July 7, 1-3 pm
Pizza Party Day!

Tuesday, July 21, 1-3 pm
Bead craft project (sun catcher) will
be offered or card games. Sign up
sheet for the craft at July 7 meeting.

50NorthActivityCenter@gmail.com or
call Diane LaForge (815-624-4448)
Find us on Facebook at FiftyNorthIllinois

In Our Prayers

Healing, strength, and guidance for: Andy, Bob, Nate, Gabe, Eli, Mary Jo, Cathie G., Krista, Andrew L., Pastor Cassandra, Hannah, Alice, Rylan, Scott, Sandy M., Wendy, Karen, Sonja & her baby, Ella, Carol S., Ron, Ann, Denise, Tom, Jean, Debbie, Kara, Tracy W., Stephanie A., Brian, Mark, David, Carl, Gary, Rita, Jenell W., Sue B., Grant M., Tim S., Josh O., Mike R., Cyndy S., Don, Karl, Brett, Frannie, Sharon, Timothy, and Justin.

For those suffering loss: Prayers for the family and friends of John Fisher, John Morgan, David Shipley, and Fred Wicks. Prayers for Tanya and Smollar family upon loss of Theresa.



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 
5 Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:15 am	6 Prayer Group 9:30 am	7 Worship Team 6:00 pm	8 Altar Guild 6:30 pm	9	10	11
12 Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:15 am	13 Prayer Group 9:30 am	14 Church Council 6:30 pm	15	16	17	18
19 Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:15 am	20 Prayer Group 9:30 am	21 4-H Club 6:30-8:30 pm	22	23	24	25
26 Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:15 am	27 Prayer Group 9:30 am	28 Call Committee 6:00 pm	29	30	31	

July Serving Schedule

If you are not able to make your allotted time slot, please find a substitute and notify the church office.

Week Beginning July 5, 2026

AV: Darran Landenberger & Ava Lynch
ACOLYTE: Damon Lynch
GREETERS: Kathy Leahy & Kara Wallace
USHERS: Dan King & Pam Novotnak
READER: Cyndy King
COMM ASST: Sherre Faulkner
COUNTERS: David Baird & Kara Wallace
LAWN MOWING: Darran Landenberger & David Lynch

Week Beginning July 12, 2026

AV: Kara Wallace
ACOLYTE: Greg Bartz
GREETERS: Dorothy Bush & Debbie Tracy
USHERS: Bill & Stacy Diemel
READER: Stacy Diemel
COMM ASST: Lora Conrad
COUNTERS: Lora Conrad & Brad Mueller
LAWN MOWING: Greg Bartz & Dan King

Stock Pew Racks for July: Kara Wallace

Week Beginning July 19, 2026

AV: Charlotte Mohns
ACOLYTE: Darran Landenberger
GREETERS: Dan & Cyndy King
USHERS: Richard & Mary Mackenthun
READER: Darran Landenberger
COMM ASST: Sue Peterson
COUNTERS: Sandy Buske & Daphne McNames
LAWN MOWING: Darran Landenberger & David Lynch

Week Beginning July 26, 2026

AV: Stacy Diemel
ACOLYTE: Bill Diemel
GREETERS: Greg & Luann Bartz
USHERS: Lora Conrad & Jerry Yarolimek
READER: Pam Novotnak
COMM ASST: Richard Mackenthun
COUNTERS: Dorothy Bush & Pam Novotnak
LAWN MOWING: Art Goldsworthy & Brad Mueller

Celebrations

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

2 Luann Bartz
3 Lacey Jensen
11 Mary Ann Stewart
16 Anne Hedman
22 Andrew Wallace
25 John Peterson
26 Pam Novotnak
31 Brad Mueller

July Anniversaries

12 Daniel and Cyndy King
23 David and Amy Lynch
30 Andrew and Kara Wallace



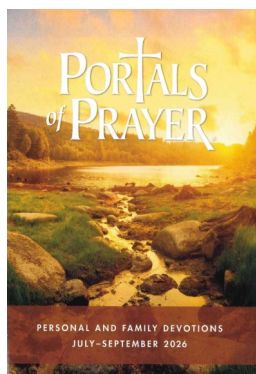
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Coming Up...



The latest edition of Portals of Prayer is now available in the church narthex. The devotional includes a daily Bible reading, reflection, and prayer. Pick up your free copy today!

Lawn Mowing Schedule

July 2-4	David Baird & Richard Mackenthun
July 9-11	Darran Landenberger & David Lynch
July 16-18	Greg Bartz & Dan King
July 23-25	Darran Landenberger & David Lynch
July 30-Aug. 1	Art Goldsworthy & Brad Mueller

