

Sunday Morning Services:
9:30am Sunday School*
10:15am Breakfast
10:45am Worship*
*Nursery is provided
Children's Church (4yrs-4th
grade) during Sermon Time

Wednesday Activities:
6:30pm Small Groups

Church Office:
309-523-2834
Church Email:
cccportbyron@gmail.com
Church Website:
www.countrysidecc.org

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June 9th following church

Sign up by June 2nd to ride the bus together for lunch at Lavender
Crest in Colona after church!

June brings some exciting events we want you to be a part of! We have a beautiful church bus that is not being used this summer now that Kids Club and Impact are done for the school year so it's time to take a road trip!! Sign up by June 2nd to take the bus for lunch to Lavender Crest in Colona the following Sunday. At the end of the month, we have the opportunity to celebrate 40 years of our sanctuary addition! We have some fun stories and pictures to share from the past forty years as well as history from the beginning of the church in 1848 when we were in Rapids City. We will have a potluck lunch that day following our service. Be sure to check out the following pages for more news of what's happening in our church this month!



Steve Allison, Minister
*"Therefore, my beloved brothers,
be steadfast, immovable, always
abounding in the work of the Lord,
knowing that in the Lord your
labor is not in vain." 1 Cor. 15:58*

Elders: Wayne Lotz
Ryan Schmidt
Jim Kaecker



Sunday School – 9:30am
Breakfast – 10:15am
Worship – 10:45am
Potluck Dinner – 12:00pm

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
June 30, 2024

In honor of Father's Day, here are 15 principals about being a Dad to encourage each of you great dads:

1. All good parenting begins with a fear of the Lord.

In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge. [Proverbs 14:26]

2. Fathers set the tone for their household. Make sure your God is at the center of your family.

And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." [Joshua 24:15]

3. The chief job of a father is to teach his kids biblical wisdom at all times.

And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. [Deuteronomy 6:6-9]

4. Always remember that children are a blessing from God.

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate. [Psalms 127:3-5]

5. Find your parenting strength in God.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." [Joshua 1:9]

6. Talk to your kids about the Bible and help them to learn scripture. Use scripture as the basis for your parenting.

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. [2 Timothy 3:16-17]

7. God works through fathers to impact their children and families. How is he working through you?

For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him." [Genesis 18:19]

8. Teach your children wisdom and they will bring you joy.

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him. [Proverbs 23:24]

9. Teach your children to lead their live based on a biblical worldview.

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. [Proverbs 22:6]

10. The way you lead your life can be a blessing to your kids. Lead a godly life.

The righteous who walks in his integrity— blessed are his children after him! [Proverbs 20:7]

11. Remember that your choices and actions will impact your kids and their kids and their kids.

The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." [Exodus 34:6-7]

12. A good father disciplines his son out of love and with love.

My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights. [Proverbs 3:11-12]

13. Do not provoke your children.

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. [Ephesians 6:4]

14. Parenting is a temporary stewardship. Marriage is forever. The best thing you can do for your kids is to be a good husband.

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. [Genesis 2:24]

15. God cares about the relationship between fathers and their kids.

And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction." [Malachi 4:6]

Happy Father's Day!

NEW ADULT CLASSES

Sarah Denekas, Education Chair

DDS classes (Disciple Development Seminars) are starting Sunday, June 2nd during our Sunday School hour. This is a graduated curriculum to help you grow deeper in your faith. We will explore topics together like how we have salvation, what is our mission as a church, and how do we fulfill our purpose. Future topics will include growing in maturity, defining your mission, building relationships, and becoming a contagious Christian. Some good stuff!! This will be open to all adults as our three adult Sunday School classes will pause during summer so that we can all be a part of this. Starts at 9:30am in the gym followed by breakfast. Children's classes will still meet at the same time and nursery will be provided. See you then!



**DDS
Classes
start
June 2nd
9:30am**

*Keep my commands and you will live;
guard my teachings as the apple of your eye. ~ Proverbs 7:2*

BIBLE CAMP STARTS THIS MONTH!

Sarah Denekas, Education Chair

BRING A FRIEND DISCOUNT: Campers who "Bring a Friend" (who has never been to RRCC) will receive a \$30 discount (\$15 for one to three night youth camps) for each new camper that registers for youth camp. The camper that does the inviting will receive the discount.

CCC SCHOLARSHIPS: Our church also supports kids who would like to attend a camp by helping with part of their registration fee.



TEDDY BEAR CAMP

June 14-15, 2024 (1st – 3rd Grade)

Cost: \$100 (cost includes camper & parent/guardian)

This is a fun overnight experience for campers going into 1st – 3rd grade to come to check out RRCC for the first time. Each camper must bring a same-gender parent/guardian (or call the camp office to discuss possible options). Campers spend the weekend swimming, singing, enjoying the campfire, participating in great Bible lessons, having scavenger hunts, wagon rides, and more!



EMBARK CAMP

July 7 – 12, 2024 (3rd – 5th Grade)

Cost: \$365.00

Campers between 3rd and 5th grade are loading up for the journey of a lifetime. Here at EMBARK, campers will be diving into what it really means to follow God with a lot of fun along the way. Each day, these campers will come face to face with God's truth and grace. They will encounter higher challenges, whether it is stepping up and helping out or maybe it is climbing up the zip line pole. These campers and faculty members will sleep overnight in cabins that are close to the bathhouse and dining hall. A day at camp consists of great worship, dynamic speaking, small family group times, swimming, canteen, campfires, and so much more! Get ready to EMBARK with us!



ELEVATE (JR HIGH CAMP)

June 23 – 28, 2024

(6th – 8th Grade)

Cost: \$365.00

Campers between 6th-8th grade, are stepping up to Elevate. This week, we are moving and rising to a higher place, position, and state, intellectually and spiritually. We are getting loud! We have embarked on our mission, and now it is time to step up. Here at Elevate, you will encounter situations that challenge and push you to new levels. You'll find life-changing experiences during a week of Elevate. Just as all main camps, Elevate campers and faculty will find themselves sleeping in cabins overnight that are close to the bathhouse and dining hall. A day at Elevate includes worship with a band, speakers who will ignite a flame in you, small family group times, swimming, zipline, canteen, campfires, and so much more!



EDGE (HIGH SCHOOL CAMP)

June 16-22, 2024 (9th – Just Graduated)

Cost: \$385.00

High School students, 9th-Just Graduated, are going to the Edge. These students will make a difference in the lives of others. Campers, during their week of Edge, will be going out into the surrounding communities where they will be serving others. This is a week of stepping up to be the leaders and servants that each of us is called to be: Eagerly Dispersing God's love Everywhere. The service projects will vary, but each one can have an effect on a life. That life could be yours. Edge campers and faculty will sleep overnight in cabins that are near the bathhouse and dining hall. Along with the service projects, campers at Edge will partake in worship with a band, classes, intense speakers, small group discussions, swimming, zipline, paintball, canteen, campfires, and more!



YEEHAW!

**Outlaws
for God**

VBS
JULY 21-25

FOR MORE INFO:
309-523-2834
Register online

www.countrysidecc.org
For K - 5th Grade



Next month is our annual VBS July 21 – 25 (6:00 - 7:30pm). Sign up sheets will be available later this month for helpers, craft leaders, snack leaders, junior helpers, game leaders, etc. Thank you in advance to all who help with this each year! Use the QR code above to sign up your kids K – 5th grade or sign up at church!

Matthew 19:14: Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

PAINT 'N PRAISE

Georgia Cullison, Evangelism Chair

CREATE SOME *Colorful* MEMORIES



PAINT. POUR. *party!*

No artistic ability needed! If you can pour a cup of coffee, you can pour a cup of paint!

Free to attend and open to any adults in the church! Please sign up by June 15th to reserve your spot!

Bring an appetizer to share and come ready to have fun!

Paint 'n Praise
 Saturday, June 29th
 10:00am
 FREE to attend!
 Sign up by June 15th

at Countryside Christian Church



"And he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—³² to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, ³³ to cut and set stones, to work in wood and to engage in all kinds of artistic crafts." ~ Exodus 35:31-33

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Criss Evans, Fellowship Chair



June 14th 6:30pm

\$21 (includes admission and meal)

Let's celebrate the men in our lives!

Our annual Father's Day Baseball outing is June 14th (Friday)
at 6:30pm

Quad City River Bandits vs. Beloit Sky Carp
Modern Woodmen Park, Davenport IA

Tickets need to be reserved by **June 2nd**
(sign up at church or call 309-523-2834)

Ticket includes:

Box Seat

Meal Voucher for a hot dog, bag of chips, and regular soda

FIREWORKS AFTER THE GAME!!

*As iron sharpens iron,
so one man sharpens another. ~ Proverbs 27:17*

OUR GIVING THIS MONTH

Wayne Lotz, Finance Chair
Jim Kaecker, Treasurer

FINANCE HIGHLIGHT

four WAYS to GIVE at

Countryside
Christian Church

Visit
www.countrysidecc.org
for more information.

**2023-2024
Offering Budget**
(Starting
10/1/2023):
\$88,269.23
**YTD Offering
Actual**
\$90,470.71

**2024-2025 Mission
Year**
(Starting 5/1/2024)
Faith Promises Goal:
\$42,000
YTD Actual:
\$4745



Mail-In

Mail in your offering directly to our church office at the address below:
Countryside Christian Church
3817 230th St. N
Port Byron, IL 61275



Online Giving

Visit online at
www.countrysidecc.org to use our giving website directly.



Mobile Giving

Use our Church App to give on your mobile device. Scan the QR code below to add to your phone.



Drop Off or In-Person

Visit our church office and use our drop box located in the church lobby.

MISSION HIGHLIGHT: FOOD PANTRY

Wayne Lotz, Missions Chair

Countryside supports our local food pantry located at Messiah Lutheran Church 302 11th Street Port Byron. The food pantry serves residents located in the Riverdale School district. It is open on Wed. from noon until 2:00 P.M. Families are eligible to obtain food once a month.

Some of the specific needs include:

all paper products, tooth brushes and toothpaste, soup (not chicken noodle), spaghetti sauce, canned corn, canned pastas, syrup, canned meats, hamburger helper and of course money. Cleaning products are also needed as they cannot be purchased with the SNAP cards. Ground beef has been donated so grocery items that can be used with the ground beef are helpful. The financial donations can purchase more food items from the food co-op per dollar than an individual can purchase at the grocery store.

Countryside recently hosted a volleyball tournament with the admission being a non-perishable food item. Many items were donated that day. The food pantry personnel were delighted with this donation.

Summer is coming and the kids will be out of school where they have been getting free breakfasts and lunches. This will create a bigger need for groceries to feed these growing bodies. Grocery prices and other living expenses are increasing for families so money for food items is shrinking. The food pantry recently had a large freezer/refrigerator donated so perishable food can be stored longer. Non-perishable food items are stored in the pantry space provided by the church. The food pantry is one way for Countryside to support the needs of our local community. The last Sunday off each month is designated FOOD PANTRY DAY. The boxes for the items are located in the church foyer.



Thank you Roger and Connie Curry for faithfully collecting, supporting, and delivering food each month to the Food Pantry! This picture was published in an area newsletter thanking them for their service and dedication.



PROPERTY UPDATES

Steve Allison, Property Chair



Last month, the men who came to the monthly men's breakfast stayed to help mulch all of the flowerbeds around the church. The landscaping is looking beautiful thanks to all of their hard work!! Thank you so much!



Thank you also to those who have stepped in to help clean the church on a rotating basis this year! We appreciate all of your hard work, and especially those who have filled in for others who have been sick this past month. If you would like to be involved for an upcoming month, please see Steve Allison.



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ~ 1 Peter 4:10

SENIOR MONTHLY POTLUCK

SENIORS MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

You're Invited!

Bring a friend and a dish to pass!!

Senior Adult
Monthly Potluck
June 28th | 6:00 pm

A sign-up sheet will be placed in the lobby in the next couple of weeks to bring different items for the potluck. Any questions, please see Dennis or Kim Ford.



If you are a retired senior adult, you are welcome to join us monthly at one of our events! This month, we will meet at the church June 28th at 6:00pm. Each month, a fun get-together is planned and a chance to form deeper friendships.

Colossians 2:2: "That their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ."

JOIN US FOR COFFEE!

Teresa Garcia, Women's Ministry Chair



Fancy Hats, Coffee & Tea

**JOIN US AND HELP
THE LOCAL FOOD PANTRY!**



The Food Pantry in Upper Rock Island County is low on food. When you come this month, please bring non-perishable food items. We will see that they are delivered to the pantry.

This is a great service to our community! School is out and families have increasing food needs!



We are so excited to announce our new Chair of the Women's Ministry Department: Teresa Garcia!

Teresa has been working to create some weekly Bible studies on Tuesday mornings at the church for the past year as well as monthly breakfast events. She also organized a fall women's conference in 2024 and a spring women's retreat in 2025. We are so thankful for her heart for the women of this church and are happy to add this growing ministry department to our church! Thank you for all you do Teresa!

"We will have breakfast then discuss our new Women's Ministry. We want to know what you would like to do with that. We also need some women on our committees and to help with the ministry."

**Saturday, June 15th
9:30am
at Countryside Christian Church**

Colossians 2:2: "That their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ."

WORSHIP "ON-THE-GO"

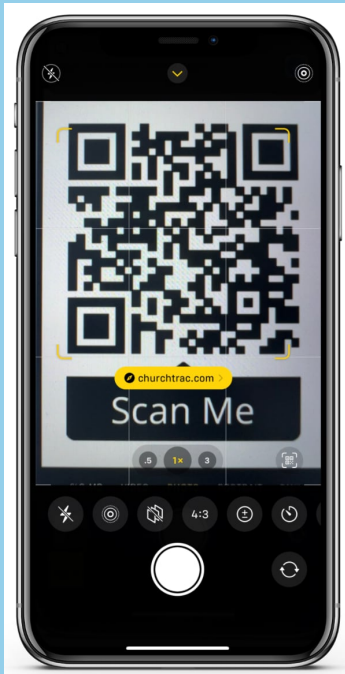
Ryan Schmidt, Worship Chair

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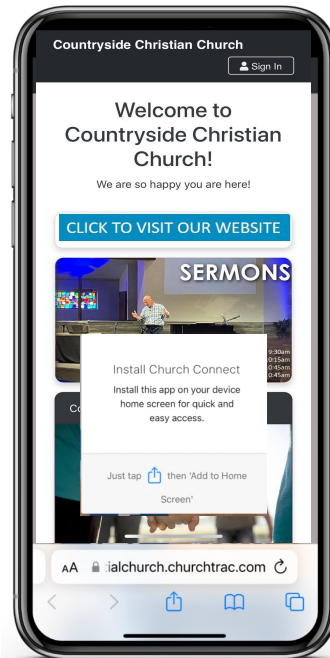
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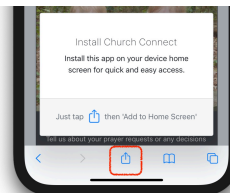
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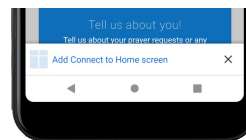
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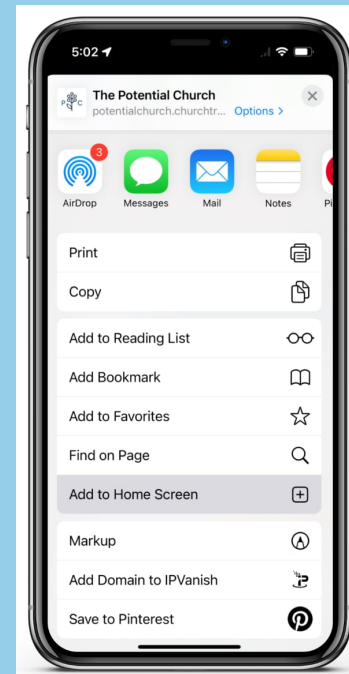
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If you need help with any of these steps, we would be happy to help you!!

"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHT



June BIRTHDAYS

- 1 – Jill Weatherhead
- 1 – Mikey Chamra
- 3 – Ax Jackson
- 6 – Caroline Cromie
- 12 – Paula Mills
- 14 – Corey White
- 17 – Dorothy Wells
- 19 – Dawn Kaecker
- 20 – Jane Stearns
- 22 – Shirley Baxter
- 25 – Chelsi McClintock

June ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 – Steve & Karen Allison
- 5 – Reg & Jane Stearns
- 17 – Jeff & Becky Wierenga
- 19 – Jason & Becky Collis
- 19 – Jim & Dawn Kaecker
- 21 – Randy & Sarah Denekas
- 30 – Jimmy & Jamie Schumpert

VOLUNTEERS THIS MONTH

Children's Ministry

Sunday School (9:30-10:15)		Worship* (10:45-12:00)					
		Children's Church			Nursery		
Date	Nursery	Date	Teacher	Helper	Leader	Helper	Jr. Helper
		*Children's Church Teacher & helper are dismissed from service after the worship communion / offering					
		*Nursery workers are scheduled for the entire church service from 10:40-12:00					
June		June					
2		2	Sarah Denekas	Cheryl Gipson	Mikah Mikles	Addison Tiesman	Kareena Holderman
9	Gail Horst	9	Sarah Denekas	Gail Horst	Mikah Mikles	Becki Winger	Natalia Ramos
16	Becki Winger	16	Sarah Denekas	Jamie Schumpert	Mikah Mikles	Sandy Lawrence	Gabby Krogman
23		23	Sarah Denekas	Ruthie Coverdill	Mikah Mikles	Shanie Bird	Lauren Tiesman
30		30	Family Sunday	Family Sunday	Mikah Mikles	Vanessa Krogman	Fallen Byers

Worship Ministry

COMMUNION MEDITATION

June 2 – Ryan Schmidt
 June 9 – Jim Kaecker
 June 16 – Wayne Lotz
 June 23 – Teresa Garcia
 June 30 – Larry Van Oosten

GREETERS

Please sign up for a Sunday that works for your family! Welcome people, direct them to the sanctuary, nursery, or restrooms if needed, and hand out bulletins.

Breakfast VOLUNTEERS



New sign-up sheets are in the lobby. Please sign up for a Sunday that works best for you! Provide breakfast treats and help serve coffee and clean-up between Sunday School and Worship.

Church BUILDING CLEANERS

Gail Horst & Rhonda Stahl
 Wayne & Cathy Lotz
 Bob & Cheryl Gipson



"Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Matthew 9:37-38



VOLUNTEERS THIS MONTH






2024 JUNE

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday



						1 Men's Breakfast 9:00am 
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2 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM GRADUATE RECEPTION Girl Scouts 3-4:30 	3 Evangelism/ Missions 6:30pm All Depts. 7pm	4 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am 	5 Small Groups Port Byron -6pm Geneseo - 6pm MANDATORY MISSIONS TRIP MEETING - 6:30PM	6	7 Stamping Club (Bev Skelton) 9am-12pm	8
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9 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM Bus Lunch-12pm Girl Scouts 3-4:30 	10	11 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	12 Small Groups Port Byron -6pm Geneseo - 6pm	13 Zuma Home Extension 1-4pm	14 River Bandits Game 6:30pm 	15 Women's Coffee 9:30am 
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16 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM Girl Scouts 3-4:30 	17 Child Evangelism Fellowship 3:00 - 4:30pm 	18 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	19 Small Groups Port Byron -6pm Geneseo - 6pm	20	21 Girl Scout Lock-In ←	22 →
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EDGE HIGH SCHOOL CAMP (RRCC)

23 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM Girl Scouts 3-4:30	24	25 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	26 Small Groups Port Byron -6pm Geneseo - 6pm	27	28 Senior Adults Monthly Potluck 6:00pm 	29 Paint 'n Praise 10:00am 
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ELEVATE JR HIGH CAMP (RRCC)

30 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM POTLUCK LUNCH Girl Scouts 3-4:30 	<p><i>"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him."</i> <i>Psalm 103:13</i></p> 				
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