

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:
3:30-5:00 Kids Club/Impact
6:00pm Small Groups

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

Live Streaming Info:
Paste the links below into
your browser:

shorturl.at/CIM08

shorturl.at/wBVY4



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

2026

MISSIONS
CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 12 - 13, 2026

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Meet & Greet Dinner at 5:30pm <i>(followed by two missionary presentations)</i>	9:30am Sunday School with three missionary presentations
	10:15am Breakfast
	10:45am Mission Sunday/ Faith Promise Rally with two missionary presentations
	12:00pm Potluck Dinner

Pioneer Bible Translators
Norm & Jill Weatherhead Translators, Papua New Guinea

Outreach International
Dale & Sonja Hawkins, Directors

Ozark Christian College & Lincoln Seminary
Matt Proctor, President

Rock River Christian Camp & Retreat Center
Dan & Leslie Augenstine, Directors

International Disaster Emergency Service
David Stine, Executive Director

Chinese to Christ Ministries
Wing Wong, Director

Me and My House
Josh & Susan Sanchez, Directors

KIDS CLUB IS STARTING AGAIN!

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHT

≡ **STARTING SOON!** ≡

GET READY FOR

KIDS CLUB!

FUN • FRIENDS • FAITH • ADVENTURE



 **CRAFTS**

 **ROBOTICS**

 **OBSTACLE COURSE**

 **SONGS & LESSONS**

Starts September 30th!

Enrollment is limited!

K – 5th grade

Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5pm

Scan the QR code
below to register:



"The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth." Psalm 145:18

HOEDOWN FOR JESUS

★ SAVE THE DATE ★

HOEDOWN

for Jesus

★ NOVEMBER 7TH ★
3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

-  Giant **Bounce Houses** & Outdoor Games
-  Hands-on **Petting Zoo** – Meet adorable farm animals!
-  Classic Tractors & Custom **Car Show** 
-  **Live Bands** all day long (Blue-grass music)
-  **Chili Cook-Off** – Taste & vote for the best!
-  Free **Popcorn, Sno-Cones, Cotton Candy, Elephant Ears, Ice Cream & Hot Dogs** – While supplies last!
-  Cozy up at the **Community Bonfire**
-  **Square Dancing & Line Dancing** – Fun for all ages!
-  **Basket Raffle** with amazing prizes
-  **Bake Table** with homemade sweet treats

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

UPCOMING MOVIE NIGHT

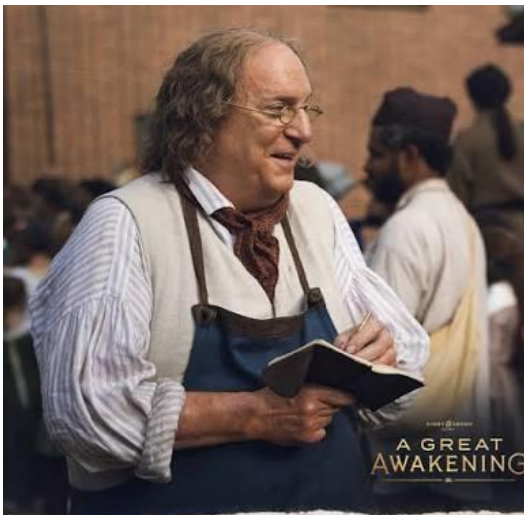
FELLOWSHIP HIGHLIGHT



Our next family movie night will be showing "The Great Awakening."

This moving faith-based drama from Sight & Sound Films explores the unlikely, decades-long friendship between the legendary 18th-century evangelist Reverend George Whitefield and the brilliant Benjamin Franklin. Framed through the eyes of an elderly Franklin reflecting during the 1789 Constitutional Convention, the film brilliantly reveals how Whitefield's electrifying sermons united a fractured people and ignited a spiritual awakening that laid the foundation for American liberty. Join us to discover how an unexpected partnership bridged vastly different worldviews and shaped the heart of a nation.

Popcorn and candy will be provided. Please bring your own drinks.



REVIEWS ARE IN!

"A GREAT AWAKENING is one of the best historical movies and most dramatic ever made."

—MovieGuide



REVIEWS ARE IN!

"A lively historical drama with a potent faith message."

—Aisle Seat

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OUR GIVING THIS MONTH

ONLINE GIVING

Easy. Safe. Convenient.

SIGN
UP
TODAY!

INSTRUCTIONS

1

Point your smartphone camera at the QR code to the right to be taken to the online giving site.

OR:
Type this URL address
into your browser:
<https://countrysidecc.org/give/>



2

Countryside Christian Church PORT BYRON, IL 61275-9780 [Login](#) | [Sign Up](#)

Give: \$0.00 To: Tithe

☐ Recurring Giving Every Week Thursday

First Name Last Name Email

☒ Card ☐ Bank

Card number MM / YY CVC

Give \$0.00

On the next screen, input your tithe amount and fill in any required boxes. You will have the option of setting this up as a recurring amount weekly or monthly or as a one-time gift.

AND THAT'S IT!

Simple and easy!
If you have any questions,
contact the church office:
309-523-2834

2025-2026

Offering Budget
(Starting 10/1/2025):

\$160,125
YTD Actual:
\$183,987

Our Giving

2025-2026 Mission Year
(Starting 10/1/2025)

Faith Promises Goal:
\$48,600
YTD Actual:
\$47,664

MISSION HIGHLIGHT: Rock River Christian Camp

Rock River Christian Camp is located near Polo, IL. It is our local Christian Camp and is supported by approximately 30 Christian churches.

The camping season for 2026 saw seven campers attend from Countryside. "It is such a joy to see these elementary, middle school, and high school students choosing to invest their time in growing close to Jesus and strengthening their faith. Thank you to everyone who supported these campers through your prayers, encouragement, and generosity. Your investment in their spiritual journey helps plant seeds that can have an eternal impact, and we are grateful to be part of a church family that values the next generation." (August 2026 church newsletter) CCC will contribute \$125 toward camp registration for each camper attending a week of camp. Cathy Lotz is handling camp registration and the financial vouchers.

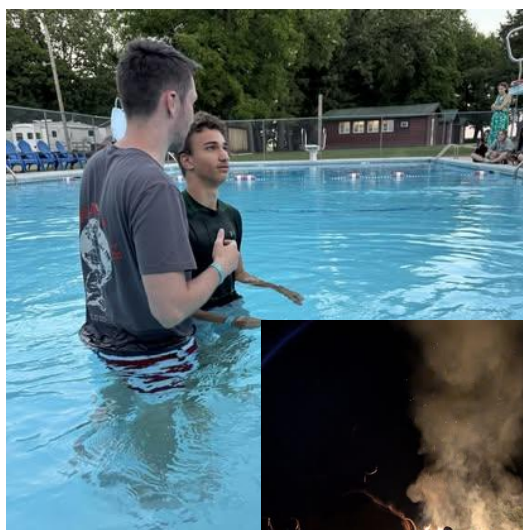
"The summer camp season was fantastic. Every session of camp spent time worshipping God, listening to amazing messages, had lots of fun, and built friendships. From Memorial Day to Labor Day, we hosted over 1,600 people at camp. Several students were baptized in the camp pool this summer, and a few more shared with us that they were baptized when they went home to their home churches. We love watching students make decisions to follow Christ. We learned that following Christ is the most important Legacy we can have. We pray all of the campers in 2026 were changed for the better and grew closer to Christ!"



The camp's current wish list includes weed trimmers, a golf cart, sand volleyball line kit, pool chairs, outdoor chairs, and Amazon/Walmart/Sams Club gift cards.

Volunteers are always needed through the summer for mowing and general maintenance. If you can spare a day or so Dan Augenstine, camp manager, will be glad to put you to work.

For more information about Rock River Christian Camp, watch the mission video on the TV by the office.



DONATE BLOOD SAVE LIFE



Saturday, Nov. 14th

7:30am – 11:30am

Appointments can be made online or with Connie Curry at the church.

Please help us reach our goal of donating to help save lives! Our semi-annual blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, November 14th. The last day you can donate to be eligible is September 29th.



SENIORS MONTHLY OUTING



Thank you to Michelle Green who came to talk about Alzheimer's and memory care at our senior luncheon in August! She had several pages of resources to help if this is something you might be navigating with a family member or friend.



Thank you, also, Dennis for the wonderful job you do leading our seniors group, planning great activities and luncheons every month, and building community.



If you are a senior and you haven't yet joined in, please call the church office and we can help you get connected! Our September outing will be planned by Teresa Holt. Details coming soon!



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."

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

COME

Sit With Me

A weekend to connect with God
and with one another through
worship, encouraging teaching,
and meaningful relationships.

OCTOBER 16 - 17

Friday

OCTOBER 16TH

6PM - 8PM

Saturday

OCTOBER 17TH

9AM - 12PM

SATURDAY SPEAKERS

Teresa Holt

SPEAKER

Kati Jo Chasek

SPEAKER

Joy Greer

GUEST SPEAKER



FRIDAY NIGHT
GUEST SPEAKER

Laurie Hurst



Register here



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WORSHIP HIGHLIGHT I

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SEE YOU AT THE POLE™
GLOBAL DAY OF STUDENT PRAYER

Riverdale Schools
Wednesday, September 23rd
7:30am around the flag pole

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

CELEBRATE TOGETHER

September Birthdays

- 4 – James Byam
- 5 – Maddie Biscontine
- 6 – Cheryl Oliver
- 8 – Joann Riley
- 13 – Abigail Schumpert
- 15 – Becki Winger
- 18 – Angela Heydeman
- 18 – Corey Stith
- 18 – Leo Geerts
- 19 – Sydney Collis
- 19 – Bill Courter
- 19 – Nancy Dufur
- 20 – Gail Horst
- 21 – Jeremiah Bird
- 24 – Charlie Mikles
- 25 – Judy Hamm
- 25 – Casey Jackson
- 27 – Larry Cullison
- 27 – Cathy Lotz
- 28 – Blaze Dawson
- 30 – Amber Harper
- 30 – Alec Simms

September Anniversaries

- 4 – Brandon & Alicia Simms
- 10 – Scott & Alissa Horton
- 10 – Tim & Holly Trout
- 14 – Todd & Laura Jackson
- 16 – Larry & Connie Van Oosten
- 16 – Mark & Michelle Quinn
- 18 – Ben & Corey White
- 24 – Pat & Joann Riley
- 26 – Dennis & Kim Ford



Children's Ministry

	S.S. Nursery	Worship Nursery	Children's Church	Children's Church
Date	9:30 - 10:15	10:45-12:00	2nd - 4th grades	4 yrs. - 1st grade
Sept. 6	Mikah Mikles Cathy Lotz	Mikah Mikles Dawn Tiesman	Karen Allison	Kim Ford Patti Stith
Sept. 13	Mikah Mikles Becki Winger	Mikah Mikles Natalia Ramos	Karen Allison	Kim Ford Patti Stith
Sept. 20	Mikah Mikles Dawn Tiesman	Mikah Mikles Shanie Bird	Karen Allison	Kim Ford Patti Stith
Sept. 27	Mikah Mikles Gail Horst	Mikah Mikles Cathy Lotz	Karen Allison	Kim Ford Patti Stith

Nursery workers are scheduled for the entire church service from 10:45-12:00

Children's Church Teacher & helper are dismissed from service after the worship communion / offering

Worship Ministry

COMMUNION MEDITATION

September 6 – Jim Kaecker
 September 13 – Wayne Lotz
 September 20 – Cory Chasek
 September 27– Ryan Schmidt



GREETERS FOR THE MONTH

Roger & Connie Curry

Breakfast VOLUNTEERS



Please see Criss Evans if you would like to be involved with the fellowship committee and either help serve or prepare food for Sunday morning breakfasts.



"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



2026 SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am Evangelism/ Missions 6:30pm All Depts. 7pm	2 Small Groups Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	3	4 Gym in Use) 9am-12pm	5  8:00am
6 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM	7 	8 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	9 Small Groups Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	10 Zuma Home Extension 1:00-4:00pm	11	12 Women's Coffee 9:30am Missions Dinner 5:30pm Missions Presentation – 6:30pm Missions
13 FAITH PROMISE SUNDAY SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM Potluck Lunch Weekend	14	15 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	16 Small Groups Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	17	18	19
20 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM Movie Night (The Great Awakening) 5pm 	21	22 Men's Study 9am Women's Study 9am	23 Small Groups Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	24	25	26 Senior Adults Potluck - 12:00pm 
27 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM COFFEE TIME 10:15AM WORSHIP 10:45AM  FOOD PANTRY NEEDS	28	29	30 <i>The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever. (Isaiah 40:8)</i> 			