

Three Things Before Sunday

June 11, 2026

- VBS Update: WOW! JUST WOW! God is so good!!! THANK YOU for making it happen!!!
- Book Club begins Monday, June 15th at 10am. Read the Intro and Chapters 1-2 beforehand. If you are unable to join us, read along anyway and look for a reflection guide in your email on Monday afternoons.
- Bishop Bigham-Tsai will be preaching at our church on Sunday, July 26th. This is an amazing opportunity. Mark your calendars and plan to be in attendance. We will celebrate Holy Communion and have lunch together for an extended time of fellowship with her following worship. Join us for worship! It's going to be a great day!

Sunday Morning Connection

Sunday, June 14, 2026 The Third Sunday of Pentecost

Centering Prayer for the day:

*Good morning, God. Thank you for the blessings of this past week. Thank you for all the ways you poured out your grace upon grace this past week. Thank you for all of the reminders of how **good** you are.*

Thank you for this day we have to worship you with our Church Family.

Be with each of us as we prepare to gather to worship you today.

Be with all who are unable to gather with us today. May they feel your abundant love and peace.

Wake up our minds and my hearts to receive your grace today.

Quiet our fears, worries, and doubts so we can be in the right place to worship you fully today.

Prepare our hearts to hear your words proclaimed today so we may go forth into your world this week to love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Scripture Passages: Psalm 116:1-2; 12-19 & Genesis: 18:1-15; 21:1-7

Sermon Title: A Miracle Called Laughter

Hymns: Open My Eyes, That I May See, Trust and Obey, God Claims You, Standing on the Promises

Our Sunday worship will be at 10:30 am in the sanctuary at Port Byron First UMC or online

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Announcements:

Noisy Offering After the Children's Message, our PB First Kids will be collecting change for Missions. Money collected during this time will be distributed to our Compassion International Child, Chaddock, and Cunningham Children's Home.

Baptism of Olivia Ann Dodge

Support the Detroit Team. Envelopes for the Detroit Team are available where you pick up bulletins. Drop them in the offering plate or the office. Gas is expensive! Thank you for being so supportive!

Book Club with Pastor Becky: Monday, June 15-Love is the Way Book Study 10 am. Read the Intro and Chapters 1 & 2 beforehand. Bring your own coffee/tea/juice/water. For those reading on their own, check your inboxes on Monday afternoon for a list of our discussion questions.

Finance Committee- Meeting Tuesday, June 16th at 7 pm

Support for the Leesman Family: Thank you for your continued prayers for Pastor Krey and his family during his time of medical leave. If you would like to make a monetary donation to go towards Pastor Krey's travel to and from Galesburg for treatments, or other expenses the family may have during this time, please contact Nikki Stuart.

Donate Items for the Upper Rock Island County Food Pantry located at Messiah Lutheran Church. Items most needed now include condiments (ketchup, mayo & ranch), toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, body wash, dish soap and laundry detergent, green beans, mac & cheese, and pancake mix. If shopping from your pantry, please check expiration/use-by dates.

Items for Mission Welcome Kits: The Mission Committee is preparing ongoing Welcome Kits for new residents at Whispering Hills. The following items are needed: shampoo, body soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish soap, small laundry detergent, cleaning wipes, small all-purpose cleaner, single-roll paper towels, and a 4-pack of toilet paper. Thank you for your donations and support of this local mission!

Coming Up:

June 22

- Love is the Way Book Study 10 am. Read Chapters 3 & 4 beforehand. Bring your own coffee/tea/juice/water
- Cherry Flamingo Open Tab Hours with Pastor Becky 1 pm-3 pm. Grab 1 scoop of your choice and visit at the picnic tables out back!

June 23-Pastor Becky, Leadership Development Task Force meeting, Springfield, IL

June 25-Homemade Pie & Treat Sale! 3:30pm-5:30pm. Whole pie \$20 or \$5 per slice! Choose from Apple, Cherry, Strawberry Rhubarb, or Fudge. Also available: Sugar Cookie Bar for \$5. Drive up to the church kitchen door and we will take your order! No need to get out of your car! Money raised will go into our Christmas Traditions Fund! Information about pre-ordering coming soon! For more information, contact Alair Walkowicz or Amy Anderson.

June 24-28-Pastor Becky Vacation

June 28-Pastor Ann Preaching

Looking Ahead:

June 26

- Bishop Bigham-Tsai Preaching
- Lunch to follow worship

If you need anything church-related, please contact Interim Pastor Becky, Nikki Stuart, or Melissa Hogren until further notice.

Interim Pastor Becky: 309-292-2287

Lay Leader: Nikki Stuart: 309-738-8099

Church Council Chair: Melissa Hogren 309-230-8400

If you would like to schedule an event at the church, contact email portbyronfirstumc@gmail.com and someone will provide you with the building agreement, policies, and forms to book the date on the church calendar.