



June 28, 2026

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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# WELCOME

June 28, 2026 - 9:00am

Time of Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements - Kurt Wolter

Call to Worship

Leader: "Oh, give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!" (Psalm 105:1). Friends, we gather today not as opposing sides, but as one nation under God, seeking His guidance, grace, and glory.

People: "The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made" (Psalm 145:9).

Leader: Let us lift our voices and our hearts, setting aside our differences to pray for our homes, our communities, and our nation. Let us turn our hearts toward heaven, for God is our Creator, our Sustainer, and our hope.

All: We come together to praise God and to lift up our nation in prayer. May our worship bring glory to Him, and may our prayers bring unity to our land

Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all"

Scripture

Prayer

Song: America the Beautiful

Prayers for our Country

Song: God Bless America/How Great is our God

Scripture: Psalm 33:12; 2nd Chronicles 7:14; 1 Peter 2:9

Sermon: America, 250 Years Strong

Song: Battle Hymn of the Republic

Time of Sharing & Prayer

Time of Personal Rededication

Concluding Prayers

Final Song: Angus Dei/All Hail King Jesus

Blessing

Now may the God of all grace go with you as you leave this place. As you go, may you love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. And may you have the courage to love your neighbor as yourself, extending the same grace and compassion you have received. May these two commandments be the heartbeat of your life, both now and forevermore. Amen

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## Honduras Mission Trip

March 7-13, 2027  
Please contact Jeana Valdivieso  
815-761-4010

We still have four slots available for this awesome opportunity to serve!

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING  
RESIDENTS

Please keep our nursing home and rehab residents in your prayers. We list them here with their addresses - they would love to get a note or card!!

Franklin Grove Healthcare,  
502 N. State Street, Franklin Grove, IL 61031

Teddie Pohl  
Mildred Danekas  
Gary Williams  
Bruce McKinney

Hawthorne Inn  
2201 Flagg Road, Rochelle, IL 61068

Shirley Villa  
Judy (Nelson) Messer  
David Guest  
Joanne Mayes

Liberty Village  
2203 E Flagg Road, Rochelle, IL 61068

Codelle Leonard  
Nancy Detig  
Jan Hann  
Clyda Lamb  
Doyle Curtis  
Arlyn VanDyke

Flagler Heath and Rehab Center  
300 Dr. Carter Blvd.  
Burnnell, FL 32110  
Pearl Fromm

Brighton Gardens of St. Charles  
600 Dunham Road Room 326  
St. Charles, IL 60174  
Bill Frederick

Did you know ... we email out a newsletter every Tuesday afternoon.

If you would like to get our weekly newsletter, please email Sara at sara@placeforgrace.com and we can get you added on the list! We do mail a hard copy out every other week to those not able to get the email version. If you would prefer to receive your newsletter that way, please let the office staff know and we can get you added to that list.

Interim Pastor- Mark Hughey  
Pulpit Supply/Pastoral Care—Xav Valdivieso  
Office Coordinator/DCE - Sara Slattengren  
Student Ministry Leader - Tessa Stouffer  
Secretary/Receptionist - Midge Berg  
Financial Secretary - Karen Hauck

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Office Hours: M-Th 9a-4p  
Fri 9a-12Noon



**READY TO BAKE  
LASAGNA** ONLY **\$15**

8X8 PAN OF READY-TO-BAKE HOMEMADE LASAGNA


PICK UP ON TUESDAY, JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 1<sup>ST</sup> PRES CHURCH FROM 4-6PM

RAISING FUNDS FOR KIDS' SUMMER CAMP



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ROCHELLE



**SUMMER WORSHIP  
AT ROCHELLE  
CONSERVATION CLUB**

**JULY 19**


**WORSHIP** Join us for a fun-filled day at the Rochelle Conservation Club on Sunday, July 19th!

**POTLUCK** We will have worship at 10:00am and gather together for a potluck at 11:30am

**FISHING**

**GAMES for ALL AGES**

**BRING YOUR OWN KAYAKS OR BIKES**



Please Sign Up

We want to have enough meat ready for lunch! You can use this QR code or call the office and let us know! Thanks!

3501 S Sweeney Rd, Chana, IL  
[rochellewildlife.org](http://rochellewildlife.org)

Fellowship will provide the main dish, please bring a side dish to pass and your own beverages.

Coming Up ....

SUNDAY, June 28

9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed, Sunday School  
5:00 p.m. ROCK Closing  
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

MONDAY, June 29

9:00 a.m. Lasagna Prep Day  
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group

TUESDAY, June 30

4:00 p.m. Lasagna Pick Up

WEDNESDAY, July 1

11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

THURSDAY, July 2

7:00 a.m. Kiwanis

THURSDAY, July 3

Office Closed for Holiday

SATURDAY, July 4

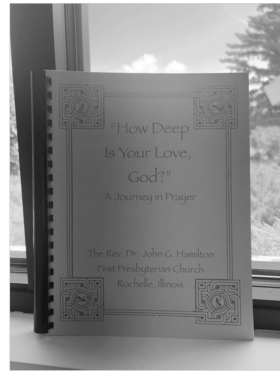
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, July 5

9:00 a.m. Worship, Communion  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed  
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Arlyn VanDyke has moved into the memory care facility at Liberty Village Manor Court.  
His new address is 2203 E Flagg Road, Rochelle, IL 61068

We have printed off a few copies of Pastor John Hamilton's book of prayers. If you would like a copy, we have them in the office for \$20 (just the printing cost)



#### NEW LIFE LIBRARY

This past week I read a great book, Half Finished, by Lauraine Snelling. It's about UFO's. Not what you're thinking! Two women decide to start a group for people with Unfinished Objects, such as handicraft projects and other items that get put aside and forgotten. They start with a get-together once a week and you bring your unfinished project and work on it there. No, it's not boring at all. You can't believe where this leads. The main characters are four close friends, but many more interesting ones as well. Takes place in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

As life unexpectedly changes for one of the members, "these women discover that much of life is half-finished projects, friendships, the raising of children, even our very relationship with the Lord. And that may be perfectly fine."

In reading about this author, "a hallmark of her style is writing about real issues within a compelling story." This book is about close friendships, the understanding and encouragement given, and even sharing in grieving. And yes, there is some romance as well. (Plus little hints like fuchsia flowers attract hummingbirds.)

This book will make you want to read another of her books. And there are several on our library shelf.

Judy Schermerhorn of the Library Committee

We want to make you aware that you can contact, connect and give electronically to this congregation. We hope that our worship and fellowship is something that you will continue to take advantage of. We are not pushing the idea of contributing, but want to offer it as well as other services that we provide, for those who want them. You can give electronically. There's a button on our website, or you can mail to our address at First Presbyterian Church, 1100 Calvin Road, Rochelle, IL.

But you can also visit with us electronically if you would like to. Our deacons offer individual visits, as well as our pastors. Counseling is available electronically from wherever you are. And if you would like to join the church and be on the committee, we are very open to our committee members being with us through zoom.



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If you would like to give your offering digitally, we have our Venmo and a QR to our website.



TO GIVE ON OUR WEBSITE,  
SCAN THIS CODE WITH  
YOUR PHONE

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH GROUP

## ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER

To raise funds for summer camp

Please pick an envelope from 1-100 and donate the corresponding amount to help our youth raise funds for summer camp!

For example if you pick the envelope that says 23, please donate \$23! You can donate at First Presbyterian church or by Venmo



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#### PRAYER LIST

We have a prayer chain that is texted to anyone who has requested to be on the list.

If you would like to be added to the text group, please let Sara know. [sara@placeforgrace.com](mailto:sara@placeforgrace.com)

We also LOVE Praising the Lord for what He has done through prayers. If you have a PRAISE Request, please don't hesitate to send that along, too!!