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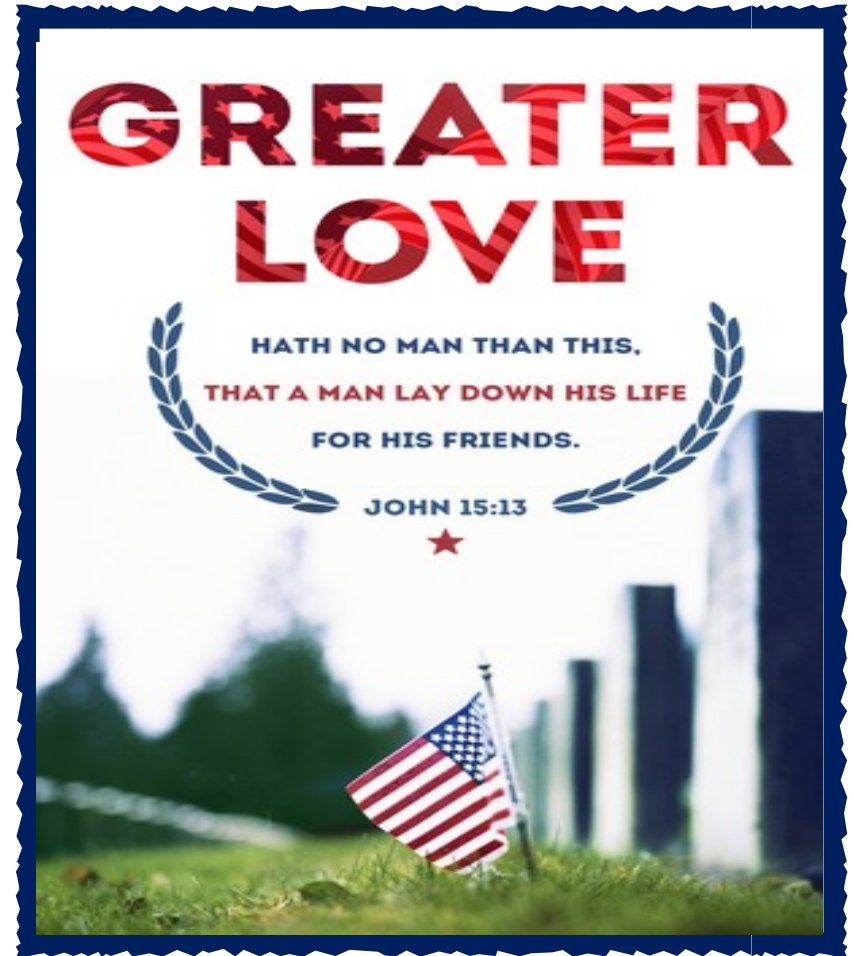
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Pastor's Page

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Pastor Annie McMillan

Hi everyone! I am so excited about moving to Le Roy and becoming your new pastor.

As last month's newsletter said, I am originally from the Southeast. My dad worked for a department store, so my family moved between South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida growing up. Though many say I don't have a Southern accent, it does come out occasionally, especially when I talk to my parents and through idioms like "y'all" which tends to stick out on Long Island. That's where I moved after college, and I've called Long Island home for about ten years. I learned a little about the culinary joys of fresh bagels from the deli, diners, and pizzerias; as well as the importance of avoiding the main roads 7:30 – 9:00 am and 4:00 – 6:00 pm. Thankfully, I shouldn't have to worry about traffic as much in LeRoy. I've probably picked up a few idioms as well, but I might need your help figuring out what those are. I also grew as a pastor as I led worship, met with fellow clergy, and walked and prayed with congregants during times of hardship and joy. Long Island is nothing like the Southeast, but it became home. Le Roy will be new and different, but I'm looking forward to it becoming home as I get to know the rhythms of town life.

Even more, I look forward to getting to know all of you and being your pastor. FUPC is a great church where God is absolutely at work. I've already felt quite welcome, though I've only been able to meet a few of you so far. I'm really looking forward to serving, discerning, and worshiping with you. Whether you want to get a cup of coffee or need pastoral guidance, I'm here for you.

Blessings and Peace,
~Pastor Annie

MEMORIAL DAY DINNER

11 A.M. - 1 P.M.
MAY 28TH



As we celebrate Memorial Day this month, let us not forget the very important reason for our 3 day weekend the supreme sacrifices that so many men and women have made through the years to keep our country free.

This year's traditional Memorial Day dinner marks the 118th year our Church has served this meal!!! Sponsored by the Deacons and supported by the summer camp youth and their families, the meal will again feature a delicious old fashioned chicken and noodle dish, mashed potatoes, green beans and dessert. Ticket prices are:

\$8 - Adults; \$4 (ages 6-12); 5 years and under are Free
Tickets are available at the door.

All proceeds will go to support summer youth camp and mission trip students.

Pastor Tim will be giving his last Sunday Worship message for us on May 13th. You are cordially invited to attend a brunch following the service, provided by the Deacons, in his honor.



During his time as interim here, beginning in August of 2015, he has led our church into bright, exciting directions, helped us to grow and encouraged us to believe in all the possibilities God has provided us..... and also becoming our friend along the way.

Please join us as we wish Pastor Tim a fond farewell and best wishes in his new position at Clinton Presbyterian Church.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



5/01 Wendy Brent	5/14 Janice Trachsel	5/24 Londa Holoch
5/02 Sarah Stengel	5/20 Mary Neubauer	5/24 Jeff Baughman
5/02 William Mennenga	5/20 Sydney Owens	5/24 Brock Owens
5/03 Jan Allen	5/21 Maren Graybeal	5/24 Ava Grismore
5/06 Mindy Cox	5/23 Shirley Chancellor	5/25 Sara Nichols
5/07 Jay B Ready	5/23 Anne Crumbaugh	5/25 Shelby Stengel
5/09 G. J. Miller		5/28 Jack Burcham
5/11 Landon Howard		5/29 Misty Hudson
	5/09 Cyndee & Steve Sinnott	
	5/16 Barb & John Monical	
	5/29 Kerri & Brian Cordray	

Sixteen youth will be united as full members of our church family on May 6th. They began their journey of faith last fall and along with the aid of their mentors have studied and reflected on what their faith in Christ means not only to themselves as individuals but also to their church as a whole. Please join us in welcoming and encouraging them as they continue this journey into their adult lives.

Confirmands: Thomas Toohill, Garrett Hudson, Tanner Holoch, Tyson Brent, Carson Houser, Bree Cordray, Brook Cordray, Svitlana McBride, Mara Walker, Logan Stengel, Sydney Owens, Jillian Mohr, Abby Wood, Kelsey Graves, Gabi Martin, Kamryn Graves



Mentors: Phyllis Bruce, Wendy & Adam Brent, Mindy Cox, Amy Graves, Amanda Hill, Londa Jacob & Tracey Holoch, Kim & Steve Myers, Bryon & Amber Owens, Jan Owens, Steve Sinnott, Monica Stengel



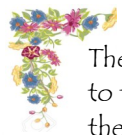
PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

6:30 p.m. ~ Saturday June 23rd
Dozer Park (730 SW Jefferson Ave.), Peoria



Join the Presbytery of Great Rivers at the Peoria Chiefs Baseball's **Faith & Family Night !** Includes post-game CONCERT & FIREWORKS!

Tickets are \$9.00. Reservations due at the church office by May 25th.



The women of the LeRoy Christian Church invite everyone to the annual all church Ladies May breakfast to be held at the Christian Church on Wednesday, May 16th at 10:00 a.m.



It will be a great time of Christian fellowship and they hope you will join them. Look forward to seeing you!



ENDLESS BUZZ

Kerri Cordray

Dear Confirmands,

Nearly nine months ago we began our Confirmation Journey together. I remember witnessing looks of excitement and wonder on your faces as you signed your commitment forms and began the process of praying for God's direction over who to ask to be your mentors. Once we began our classroom time you may recall the "surprise" outing to Starved Rock where we learned out the Sovereignty of our amazing God! During the Christmas season we enjoyed serving at Loaves & Fishes in Peoria and then ventured to Bass Pro Shop where you all played a game of Hide & Seek throughout the store. The winter months allowed us to enjoy a retreat at Little Galilee with your mentors. The retreat was an exciting time of games, fun, food, and breaking ground on your Statements of Faith. As springtime approached, we worshipped together at Elevate Church in Morton and even experienced learning more about our Jewish friends' faith at the Synagogue in Peoria. It is my sincerest hope and prayer that each of you have discovered more about the love our Father has for you and throughout this Journey you have grown closer to Him and to one another!

You are an amazing group of kids and I give thanks for the opportunity to lead you through this experience! I give thanks to God for each of you and your families and pray you will forever be blessed by our Lord!

In love and appreciation,
Kerri

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 4-8, 8:30-11 am

Kids will discover how Jesus rescues us through life's storms. *Shipwrecked VBS* is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences that kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Scieny-Fun Gizmos™, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life-something we call God Sightings.



Registration forms now available!

Library News

Book Review by
Marty Dean



May is Get Caught
Reading Month!

Unveiled – A Lineage of Grace, book 1
by Francine Rivers ~ (historical fiction)

I overlooked the first book in the *Lineage of Grace* series—*Unveiled*, the story of Tamar

Twice widowed and childless by sons of Judah, Tamar was desperate to conceive. Once the promise of son number three was broken, Tamar took matters into her own hands by resorting to the *oldest profession*. Veiled and discreet, Tamar lured Judah along the wayside to carry out her scheme. Three months later, Tamar was *toast*—literally. Ancient customs meant certain death for Tamar (*Genesis 38:24*). Read and be amazed by the glorious outcome. Time and again throughout all of scripture, God uses the human condition to advance the divine.

Unveiled is available in our church library.



The next LeRoy Manor May birthday party
will be held on May 18th at 2:00 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to help residents celebrate
their birthday by making the day a little more special!

If you would be able to furnish a cake for the occasion, please contact
Renae Hardesty at RHardesty85@yahoo.com or 309-826-1758



★ Socializing
★ Dancing
★ Snacks
★ Fun

SENIOR PROM

Saturday, May 5th
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
At the *Replex*

No Cost...No Registration...No Dance Skills...No Date
NO PROBLEM!!!

SARAH & CO. BOUTIQUE

115 N. Chestnut St., St. B
Downtown LeRoy

SHOPPING SPREE FUNDRAISER!

Sarah & Co. Boutique is sponsoring a FUNdraiser
for our summer/mission camp youth!
Everybody likes to shop...
now you can help our youth at the same time!

15% of total sales (pre-tax) made on Friday, May 18th (from 4-7 pm) and Sunday,
May 20th from 10-12 pm) will be donated for our summer/mission camps.
Women's clothing XS - 3XL and girls clothing 18 mo. - Size 16 are available.



Don't forget to register for LEAP! Registration forms are now
available for next year's after-school program for children
entering Kindergarten through 4th grade this fall. Students
entering 5th- 12th grades are encouraged to sign up as LEAP
Leaders.

For those of you who adopted a LIGHT jar to support our youth
attending one of this summer's camps, please continue praying
for your student! Plan to return your Prayer jar with any extra
"change" on May 20th. If you were not able to obtain a jar,
your prayers for all the students are still appreciated!



ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS OF EMPIRE TOWNSHIP

The Bishop Trust has resources to provide,
free of charge, Medical Alert devices to
residents of Empire Township. These
signaling devices can get emergency
personnel to your home in the event of
a fall or a medical emergency.

If you, or a loved one, would feel more
secure in your home by having a Medical
Alert device, contact our local Bishop
Trust trustee Ed Kline at 309-261-1210.



LeRoy Christian Church

May 3rd
6:30 p.m.

You are cordially invited to the
2018 National Day of Prayer
Community Service hosted by LCC.

This 67th National Day of Prayer
will be celebrated with scripture,
song, and prayer as we pray for
Unity in our nation and for its leaders.

BACCALAUREATE

LeRoy Christian Church ~ May 13th at 6:00 p.m.

The evening will include a time of praise and worship with our featured speaker,
Jim Collins, Director of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The Baccalaureate
service is open to the entire community

CHURCH OFFICERS

Elders:

Rick Kline
Randy Sigler
Teresa Miller

Bryon Owens
Mary Ella Mennenga
Bonnie Crumbaugh
Steve Sinnott
Misty Hudson
Naomi Chaplin

Committee

Administration/Nominating
Administration
Administration/Mission & Outreach
Nominating
Special Events, Christian Education
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Little Learners Board, Mission & Outreach
Worship & Music
Christian Education
Clerk of Session/ Special Events

Session next meets on Wednesday, May 15th
Session Minutes are available, after approval, in the office.

Deacons:

Class of 2018

Brett Hill
Rena Hardesty
Barb Monical
Angie Timm

Class of 2019

Leann Gaffney
Katie Taylor
Steve Myers
Anna Rayburn

Class of 2020

Rick Gaffney
Amber Owens
Jan Owens
Monica Stengel
Keisha Tucker

Deacon of the Month

January
August
July
February

Responsibility Assignments

Transportation
Manor Birthdays
Shut In Visits/Cards
Wedding/Baby Showers

Funeral Dinners
Secretary
Moderator/Nominating Comm.
Co-Moderator; Manor Birthdays

Funeral Dinners
Meals
Kitchen Supplies

Special Events

Called to Serve - May 2018

9:00 a.m. Sunday WORSHIP	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27
ACCOMPANIST	Mary Sigler; Londa Holoch	Londa Holoch	Londa Holoch	Steve Dean
LAYREADER	Jan Owens	Linda Ramsey	Wendy Brent	Anna Rayburn
USHER/ GREETERS	Jan & Bruce Owens	Anna Rayburn; Angie Timm	Anna Rayburn; Steve Myers	Anna Rayburn; Jamie Tucker
KIDZ CHURCH		Kelsey & Kamryn Graves; Brooke Cordray	Tyson Brent; Bree Cordray	
NURSERY	Marty Dean	Marty Dean; Logan Stengel	Marty Dean, Sarah Stengel	Marty Dean
TECH BOOTH	Steve Sinnott; Tanner Holoch	Tracey Holoch; Porter Conn	Randy Sigler; Garrett Hudson	Bruce Owens; Noah Stengel
COMMUNION SERVERS		Linda Ramsey; Anna Rayburn		
LeROY MANOR WORSHIP			Anita Norton; Mary Sigler	
SUNDAY SCHOOL SNACKS		Hill & Mennenga Families	Houser & Cox Families	

A new recycle bin has been placed in the Fellowship Hall kitchen and we hope everyone will do their part to take care of our home...EARTH!



But please remember that not **ALL** trash is recyclable locally. A list of common items that can and cannot be placed in the bin has been placed on the container. Thank you for helping us do our part to help protect our planet's resources.

APRIL SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Sunday Dates	Attendance
April 1	152
April 8	139
April 15	144
April 22	110
April 29	95
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	128
Easter Sunrise Worship	76

Due to the on-going interest in ordering LIGHT apparel, additional orders will be taken thru May 6th. (delivery by or before May 27th). Youth sizes and new styles/colors are available.

In addition, a "Carolina blue" hooded sweatshirt, size adult large (\$21), from the last order is available for purchase.

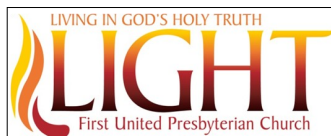
Ordering info can be found in the church library... or contact Kerri if you have questions.



We received \$1273 for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering taken on Palm Sunday and Easter.

\$960 was received for the Community Mercy Fund from the Community Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunrise Services

Both offerings were more than doubled from last year!



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CHURCH OFFICE

Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Friday - 8:30 - 11:30 am

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May 3, 2018

5:00pm - 8:00pm

at the Portillo's located at:

202 Landmark Drive

Normal, IL 61761

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Not valid with online orders. Gift cards purchased during fundraisers will not count toward donation. Promoting on Portillo's premises is strictly prohibited.



On May 3rd we're participating in a fundraiser at Portillo's to benefit our youth summer camps! It's SO easy! THANK YOU FOR HELPING!



It was a chilly Easter morning but all the egg-hunters had a great time!



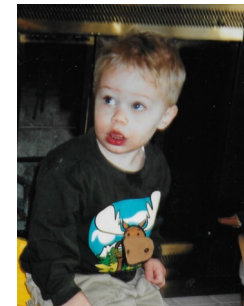
MONICA STENGEL ~
Monica graduated with honors from Parkland College with AAS in Business Administrative Technology. Currently working at OSF St. Joseph in Patient Access.



JACOB HOLOCH ~
Jacob plans to attend Heartland College and eventually transfer to a 4 year university. He is planning to major in Agriculture Engineering.



THOMAS MYERS ~
Thomas will graduate from ISU in December with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and Public Health. He hopes to work in the field of gerontology.



ELLIOTT DEAN ~
This fall, Elliott is looking forward to pursuing an Ag business degree at Illinois State University. He would like to thank his church family for their support over the years.

RENEE HARDESTY ~
This December Renee will be finishing her bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She is currently an Executive Secretary at State Farm supporting a Vice President and plans to utilize her degree either within her current role or to be competitive within any future opportunities."



JENNIFER TOOILL ~
Jennifer graduated last May, 2017 with a Masters in Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner from Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State. She is currently employed at Medical Hills Internists in Bloomington working as a Family Nurse Practitioner.



Poised and ready.....



Everyone came away with a full basket!





Deacon of the Month

Anna Rayburn

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 9:00 AM Worship Service/NO Kidz Church 10:00 AM Sunday School	30 9:00 AM Bible Study	1	2	3 5:00 - 8:00 PM Portillo's Fundraiser 6:30 PM National Day of Prayer - LCC 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	4	5 6:00 PM Confirmation Walk-Thru & Pizza
6 CONFIRMATION SUNDAY & RECEPTION 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Confirmation Reception New "Light" apparel orders due today	7 9:00 AM Bible Study	8 1:00 PM MISSION & OUTREACH MEETING	9 6:30 PM DEACON'S MEETING (Feed My Sheep at UMC at 6 p.m.)	10 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	11	12 11:00 AM Little Learners Graduation
13 MOTHERS DAY 9:00 AM Worship Service/Kidz Church (Pastor Tim's last Sunday) 10:00 AM Reception for Pastor Tim 6:00 PM Baccalaureate at LCC	14 9:00 AM Bible Study	15 6:00 PM WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING 7:00 PM SESSION	16 10:00 AM Ladies Annual Community Breakfast at LeRoy Christian Church	17 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	18 2:00 PM LeRoy Manor Birthday Party	19
20 GRADUATION SUNDAY 9:00 AM Worship Service/Kidz Church (Pastor Annie's first Sunday) 10:00 AM Sunday School (Last Sunday School until Sept.) Return "Light" jars by today	21 9:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING	22 7:00 PM ADMINISTRATION MEETING	23	24 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	25	26
27 9:00 AM Worship Service	28 OFFICE CLOSED  11:00 AM MEMORIAL DAY DINNER	29	30	31 3:30 PM TLC 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	1 	2 