

2nd Sunday of Easter—Bulletin for April 11, 2021

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Please be advised:
Pastor Rolland's
cell phone number is:
(815) 718-3022.

Also, Rolland's work e-mail
address is now:

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Worship Info

***Per State of Illinois
Covid guidelines, we can
now have up to 50 people
in attendance during
Sunday Worship!**

***Currently, the lift is not
working.**

***If you are not
feeling well or have been
exposed to Covid, please
view through Zoom!
Thank you.**



Worship Service in-Church Today —The service is also Live via Zoom

The Link, Meeting ID and Passcode are attached with the bulletin.

**--Due to Covid regulations, we
still are not able to sing,
congregate or visit.**

**--Come in, be seated and when the service is
over, go ahead and exit.**

**--Some pews are taped off
for social distancing.**



LET US PRAY FOR...

Charlie C.
Darin D.
Derek P.
David D.
Melanie M.
Peg H.
Rachel (friend of Betty H.)
Rose L.
Sandy S.



FAMILY OF...(DECEASED)
Pauline Lawhorn



***Please e-mail your prayer requests by Thursday if
possible, so that we can keep the prayer list up to date!
Thank you.***

ROCKTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Order of Worship — Second Sunday of Easter
April 11, 2021

GATHERING

GREETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: Life has been revealed to us in this Easter Season.
Gather once more to testify to life.*

**People: We come to declare to one another what we have experienced.
In Community, we will declare that God is full of grace.**

*Leader: Let the spirit of gladness fill this room,
Let every heart rejoice as we continue to celebrate Resurrection.*

**People: We are here to testify to God's grace,
We will share our story and ourselves!**

PASSING THE PEACE

(Pass the Peace of Christ)

*Pastor: The light and hope of Christ lives in each of us.
The peace of Christ be with you always.*

People: And also with you.

***OPENING HYMN**

"Spirit of God"

TFWS #2117

Spirit of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life begin,
glow as you always do; create us anew.
Give us the breath to sing, lifted on soaring wing,
held in your hands, born on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come! Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

Spirit of God, bright Dove, grant us your peace and love,
healing upon your wings for all living things.
For when we live your peace, captives will find release,
held in your hands, born on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come! Come! Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

Spirit of God, bright Flame, send us in your holy name,
the power to heal, to share your love everywhere.
We cannot fail or fall, or know defeat at all,
held in your hands, born on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come! Come! Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

INVOCATION

You pour out upon us the oil of gladness, gracious God, as we gather in the name of our risen Savior. You have given us the word of life, we have heard and seen your greatest of all gifts and testify to that experience by our presence here...(cont'd. —>)

(Invocation continued)

...Let Jesus Christ be known among us, in our conversation and in our prayers. May our thoughts center on the message that light has come to chase away the shadows, community has been born to remove our isolation, joy has been heaped upon us that we might share it with the world. **Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

***SCRIPTURE READING**

(Please rise, if you are able)

New Testament

John 20:19-31

***Response:**

Thy Word Is a Lamp” *(Refrain Only)*

TUMH#601

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and the light unto my path.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and the light unto my path.

MEDITATION

“To See, Is to Believe”

Pastor Rolland Hayag

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Pastor

Hear the words about giving in which generosity is rewarded, Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

– Luke 6:38

OFFERING

(Ushers will bring the offering plate into the Sanctuary while the Hymn of Response music is played)

***Hymn Response**

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

TFWS #2036

(Please Rise) We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

***OFFERATORY PRAYER**

Pastor

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Close to Thee”

TUMH #407

Thou my everlasting portion, more than friend or life to me,
all along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee,
all along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with thee.

Not for ease or worldly pleasure, nor for fame my prayer shall be;

Gladly will I toil and suffer, only let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee,

Gladly will I toil and suffer, only let me walk with thee.

Lead me through the vale of shadows, bear me o'er life's fitful sea;

Then the gate of life eternal, may I enter, Lord, with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee,

Then the gate of life eternal, may I enter, Lord, with thee.

CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor

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***BENEDICTION**

Pastor

THREE-FOLD AMEN

Amen! Amen! Amen!

POSTLUDE

~~ANNOUNCEMENTS~~

BEWARE OF PHISHING SCAM!!!

A heads-up that scammers continue to be busy: Beware of scam emails pretending to be the Bishop or a DS. First check the email address that is connected to a familiar name - **if you receive emails from the Bishop or a DS that are not from @umcnic.org, that is spam. Do not respond.** Our conference communications director also asks that we forward those to reportphishing@apwg.org. Then delete the email.

Debbie Rogers, Regional Administrative Assistant, NIC UMC

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—April Birthdays—

*Roy C., April 3; Sandy Stamm, April 6; Jean Cooper, April 10;
Robert Hayenga, April 12; June Althoff, April 18; Sadaf Safavinejad, April 20;
Lesla Stevens, April 27.*

—April Anniversaries—

David and Linda Martin, April 7; David and Patsy Dach., April 23

On the Hunt for Church Lawnmower

From John Carleton

**The Trustees are looking for the gray-Craftsman
(we think its Craftsman) lawn mower that was in the garage at the Parsonage.
If you should know where it is or what may have happened to it,
please contact the Church Office or John Carleton. Thank you!**

**2021 VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE — THE 182nd NORTHERN ILLINOIS ANNUAL
CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD JULY 16-17 ONLINE THROUGH A ZOOM WEBINAR.**

THEME: JESUS MAKES A WAY

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 2020 Ordination and Commissioning Service - Rescheduled to **April 24 at 3 p.m.**
Limited in-person/Invite-only service. *Due to COVID-19, health and safety guidelines,
in-person attendance is strictly limited to ordinands, candidates, participants
and invited guests.
(Livestreamed on NIC YouTube channel and Facebook page.)
- Online registration opens **June 1 and closes June 30. Cost: \$30** (covers video production,
voting technology, worship planning and other administrative expenses.)
 - Clergy Session - **June 28, 10 am - 12 noon** via Zoom.
 - Legislation and Historical Documents due **May 3.** (no exceptions)
 - 2021 Ordination Service - **Oct. 1.** Limited in-person service.
 - Fall Session - **Oct. 2**