Welcome to our worship service! Please silence your cell phone: covered beverages are allowed in the Sanctuary. Congregational responses on the screen are in bold print. *Please stand if you are able. 8:45 Service **GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS** Dale Wood PRELUDE Ah, Holy Jesus *OPENING HYMN In the Cross of Christ I Glory (295, v.1-4) PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Jackie Decker *GLORY TO THE FATHER (70) OFFERING / BREAD PAN: UMCOR Sunday MUSIC: Beneath the Cross of Jesus Don Hustad *DOXOLOGY *HYMN Beneath the Cross of Jesus (297) SCRIPTURE Revelation 2:18-29 (pew bible p. 1118) Jackie Decker MESSAGE "The Letters – 4 Thyatira" Pastor Anna Moon *CLOSING HYMN Ah Holy Jesus (289) ***SENDING RESPONSE**

Blest Be the Tie that Binds (557, vs. 1) followed by "Send Us" *CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Voluntary

Abraham Ritter

Barb Crowder

Pastor Anna Moon

11:00 Service

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS *OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Children ages 4 yrs to 5th grade leave for JAMS (Jesus and Me Sunday) \dag

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: UMCOR Sunday

SCRIPTURE Brandon Teunissen Revelation 2:18-29 (pew bible p. 1118)

MESSAGE "The Letters – 4 Thyatira"

CLOSING SONG / SENDING RESPONSE

*BENEDICTION

†JAMS geared toward children 4 yrs to 5th grade and is a time for them to learn about Jesus through activities, games, and crafts.

A Nursery for those birth - 3 years old, is staffed with trained volunteers during our 11 am service. It is not staffed at the 8:45 service but feel free to use the space and the TV to watch the service with your child(ren).

THIS WEEK AT RUMC

TODAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service

- 10 am Lenten Study, back half of Fellowship Hall
- 11 am Contemporary worship service

TUESDAY

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC 1 pm Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY

10 amWorship Design, Room 2056 pmWomen's Group, TWC6:30 pmLenten Study, Fellowship Hall6:30 pmHand Bells No Rehearsal7:30 pmChoir No Rehearsal

THURSDAY

12 pm50+ Potluck, Fellowship Hall1 pmSafety Meeting, Rm 2056:30 pmTai Chi, TWC7 pmAA Meeting, Wesley Room

FRIDAY

10 am One Day Niche, Room 200

SATURDAY

8:30 am RUMC Men's Group, Room 205
11 am Lifewave, Sanctuary
6:30 pm Euchre Tournament, Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service
10 am Lenten Study, Fellowship Hall
11 am Contemporary worship service

On Vacation Val Northcutt and Mary Knapp are on vacation. Val is gone until April 6; Mary will be gone until April 7.

Please No Food and Only Covered Beverages in the Sanctuary. Thank you!

Today's Bread Pan: UMCOR Sunday - UMCOR brings relief when a catastrophe strikes. Along with food, clothing, shelter and medical help, they stay to assist survivors to rebuild lives. From re-educating soldiers to feeding schoolchildren to establishing medical clinics in remote villages, they are hope for millions in nearly 100 of the poorest countries in the world. Every gift helps, but when you give all you can, your generosity is more meaningful. Please give generously on UMCOR Sunday.

Where to find

Church Information rockfordumc.org Get church news, service times, fellowship, missions and more

Monthly Schedule rockfordumc.org/calendar See what's going on at RUMC this month

Live Worship/Virtual Bulletin/Attendance rockfordumc.org/live View live worship; download the bulletin to your mobile device or home computer; or register your in-person or virtual attendance

Ministries for You rockfordumc.org/christian-education Find a ministry right for you and your family

Newsletter rockfordumc.org/newsletter Sign up for prayer requests, weekly updates or the monthly newsletter

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Euchre Tournament Join us on Saturday, April 5, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for the Euchre Tournament to benefit North Kent Connect. Cost is \$5 per person to play. Also, bring 5 - 10 non perishable food items to place in the barrel when you and your partner are Euchred, and a snack to share, beverages will be provided.

50+ Potluck This Thursday, April 3, at noon join us in the Fellowship Hall for great food and conversation. Micah Herrboldt, Waste Reduction Educator for Kent County will be our speaker. Please feel free to attend, even if you are not yet 50! Bring a dish for the buffet and your own table setting; ice water and coffee will be provided. Try to arrive by 11:45 so you have time to set your place, put on your nametag and greet others. For more information please contact Barbie Dibble.

Last chance to turn in your scholarship application Graduating high school students and college students returning for the 2025-2026 school year, applications are available on the church website, under Education. *Completed applications must be returned to the church office by Tuesday, April 1.* If you have questions about scholarships, or the application process, please contact Jim Larson or Ruth Reickard.

Easter Candy Needed Our annual *Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 12* and we are in need of candy to fill the Easter Eggs. There is a labeled container in the worship entrance for donations of individually wrapped candy. *Please be sure the candy will fit in the eggs and doesn't contain nuts or peanut butter.* See our website for more information about the Easter Egg Hunt and to register!

Praises and Prayers - 2025 Women's Retreat - The Prayer Ministry Team will be holding their annual retreat on Saturday, May 17. Sign up at rockfordumc.org by clicking on Women's Retreat or filling out the registration form.

Finance Update through March 23, 2025

You are encouraged to give either through US mail or via the website rockfordumc.org/online-giving. Thank you for your continued support!

Gifts & Offerings	Operating Fund	Building Needs
Year to Date Needed:	\$106,752.00	has received
Year to Date Received	\$105,328.67	\$18,498.32 so far.
Bread Pan: UMCOR National Disaster Response - \$471.26		
Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
March 16, 2025	97/16	51/0
March 23, 2025	87/12	56/4

At RUMC, we know prayer works. Please contact the church office with prayer concerns. Thank you for your commitment to prayer.

PRAYER CONCERNS – March 30, 2025

New Prayer Concerns

Ann MacDhubhain will undergo a medical procedure on April 3.

Anonymous with troubled marriage needs wisdom.

Ric Farmer, hospitalized with pneumonia and is severely dehydrated; friend of Pam Wolven

Prayer Updates

Sharon Campbell is still hospitalized, but she is up and walking. Continued prayers for healing, and patience for her and Lionel.

Continuing Prayer Concerns

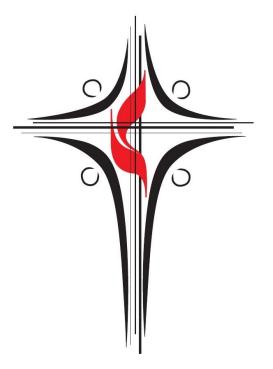
Please keep the following people in your prayers: Rob Miller, Carolyn Green, Ellie & family, Tom Rekeny, Loralee Lillibridge, Don deBaptiste, Scott Pitcher, Bonnie Velazquez and Nancy Jensen.

Serving Next Week, April 6

Prayer /Scripture: 8:45: Judy Mayhak - Prayer, Darlene Topp — Scripture 11:00: Michelle Palma - Scripture Greeters: 8:45: Al & Penny Dresselhouse 11:00: Julie Roach Ushers: 8:45: Dave & Cindy Bates 11:00: Kevin & Teri Sweeney

Looking for a decent car Jim Penrod has been working with Volunteers in Service for the past several months, and the other day had the opportunity to drive a nice lady to and from her doctor appointment. During the drive, she mentioned she was looking for a decent car to get to her appointments, grocery shopping, etc. She has saved \$3000. Should you know of a car in this price range, please contact Jim Penrod. Thank you!

Bottle/can deposits for Pastor's Discretionary Fund If you would like to turn in your **rinsed** bottles and cans to the barrel in the Community Room (closet across from the Fellowship Hall), we will turn them in and the deposit money will go in the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This fund is used to help individuals in need of financial assistance for utility payments, food or gas money.



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