

April 13, 2025  
Palm/Passion Sunday

**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

PRELUDE *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* Michael Burkhardt

\*OPENING HYMN *All Glory, Laud and Honor* (280)

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Cindy Beel-Bates

\*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: North Kent Connect

MUSIC: *Hosanna* Hand Bell Choir

\*DOXOLOGY

\*HYMN *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* (277)

SCRIPTURE: John 12:12-16, 19:1-6 (p. 980, 987) Cindy Beel-Bates

MESSAGE "The King of Kings" Pastor Anna Moon

\*CLOSING HYMN *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* (286)

\*SENDING RESPONSE

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

\*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* J. S. Bach

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**11:00 Service**

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Pastor Anna

*Children ages 4 yrs to 5<sup>th</sup> grade leave for JAMS (Jesus and Me Sunday)†*

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†**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 - Palm/Passion Sunday**

8:45 am Traditional worship service

10 am Lenten Study, back half of Fellowship Hall

11 am Contemporary worship service

4-7 pm Visitation for Lorelee Lillibridge, Throop Funeral Home

**MONDAY**

10 am Visitation for Lorelee Lillibridge

11 am Funeral for Lorelee Lillibridge

**TUESDAY - Newsletter Items Due**

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

1 pm Staff Meeting

6 pm DAR Meeting, Fellowship Hall

7 pm Hand2Hand Packing Day, Ada Bible Church

**WEDNESDAY**

6:30 pm Hand Bells Rehearsal

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY- Maundy Thursday**

1 pm Friends2Friends, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

7 pm Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary

7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

**FRIDAY - Good Friday**

10 am One Day Niche, Room 200

1 pm Good Friday Service, Sanctuary

7 pm Good Friday Service, Sanctuary

**NEXT SUNDAY**

8:45 am Traditional worship service

11 am Contemporary worship service

**Scholarship Applications to Graduate Students** The Rockford UMC Scholarship Team has opened up applications for scholarships to graduate students. If you are interested in applying for one of the RUMC scholarships, please find an application on the church website under the Education tab. Please send your completed application to office@rockfordumc.org before April 15, 2025 for consideration. If you have questions call Jim Larson.

**Today's Bread Pan:** North Kent Connect (NKC) is a food and clothing bank which covers the whole northern part of Kent County. We all need a little extra help at some point in our lives. NKC is a resource to receive food, housing assistance, job services, and much more. NKC serves clients, Senior Meals, and Senior Pantry Food Boxes; holiday food baskets, personal care baskets, gas cards, rent/mortgage payment assistance and utilities assistance. We make their work possible! Please give generously.

**Sermon Notes**

**Where to find**

*Church Information* [rockfordumc.org](https://rockfordumc.org)

Get church news, service times, fellowship, missions and more

*Monthly Schedule* [rockfordumc.org/calendar](https://rockfordumc.org/calendar)

See what's going on at RUMC this month

*Live Worship/Virtual Bulletin/Attendance* [rockfordumc.org/live](https://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](https://rockfordumc.org/christian-education)

Find a ministry right for you and your family

*Newsletter* [rockfordumc.org/newsletter](https://rockfordumc.org/newsletter)

Sign up for prayer requests, weekly updates or the monthly newsletter

Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Hand2Hand Packing** We will be packing for Hand2Hand on Tuesday, April 15, at 7pm at Ada Bible Church (formerly Bella Vista Church) on Belding Road.

**ASP Soup/Salad Lunch and Silent Auction** Join the Appalachia Service Project Mission Team on Sunday, April 27, 11:30 –1:00 in the Fellowship Hall for a delicious lunch of homemade soups, salad and dessert. While you eat, you can bid on various cakes and desserts prepared by members of the ASP Team and others. The highest bidder will be able to put a pie in Pastor Anna's face. Cost is \$7/adult, \$4/child 4-12 with a family max of \$20. Hot dogs will be available for the kids. Visit the website to learn more about donating cakes or desserts.

**April Wednesday Dinner** has been canceled. Folks are encouraged to participate in the ASP Soup/Salad Lunch on April 27. The next Wednesday Dinner will be held on May 21 where the Care Ministry will be serving lasagna and mac n cheese.  
**Wednesday Dinner Volunteers Needed** We are looking for folks who are willing to help out with set up, serving and/or cleanup for the Wednesday Dinners. You don't need to be part of a team to help, just have a heart for service. Contact either Laura or Phil Schultz or the church office if interested.

**All Church Cleanup** Grab your tools and gloves and plan to join us at 8 am on Saturday, April 26, to get the church building and grounds ready for spring/summer. It will be mostly outside work and we will go until everything is done. Many hands make light work, so plan to come out and help.

**Prayer Vigil** The Prayer Ministry Team will be holding a prayer vigil to coincide with National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 1. The vigil will take place from 7 am - 7 pm at the church. Members of the team will be available today to sign up volunteers.

**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 April 6, 2025

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

Gifts & Offerings	Operating Fund	Building Needs
Year to Date Needed:	\$124,544.00	has received
Year to Date Received	\$122,103.87	\$22,440.07 so far.
Bread Pan: UMCOR International Disaster Response - \$401.49		
Weekly Attendance	8:45 am/online	11 am/online
March 30	80/12	60/9
April 6	81/16	50/2

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – April 13, 2025

Praises and Celebrations

**Ann MacDhubhain's** procedure went well, prayers for healing.

**Carolyn Green** had her colon cancer surgery, the pathology report says she is cancer free! Sister of Barbie Dibble.

New Prayer Concerns

**An old friend** of Susan Groover, just diagnosed with metastatic cancer and financial problems treating it.

**Anonymous** 13 year old taken from his home after drugs belonging to his parents were found in the house.

**The Family of Loralee Lillibridge** who passed away last week. Her funeral service is tomorrow at 11 am at the church. Relative and friends may meet the family 4-7 pm tonight, at Throop Funeral Home or one hour prior to the service. The address to send a note or card to the family is: 11661 Townsquare Blvd, Rockford MI 49341.

**Ann Burgoon** had surgery on her leg and is recovering at a rehab center. Tom and Ann had planned to be back in Michigan at the end of the month, which may be delayed depending on Ann's recovery.

**Linda Spinella** having tests done on a suspicious nodule. Flutist friend of Al & Val Northcutt.

**Young man** diagnosed with prostate cancer, will have a PET scan on April 15, prayers the cancer hasn't spread. The son of a friend of Denise Bradley.

**Pat Bradley** underwent a biopsy for bladder cancer, prayers for a good outcome. Sister of Mary Eadie.

**Anonymous** mother of 5 children, recovering from heart attack and emergency C-section.

Prayer Updates

**Rob Miller** has begun chemotherapy treatments for lung cancer, friend of Al & Val Northcutt.

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Sharon Campbell, Don deBaptiste, Scott Pitcher, Bonnie Velazquez and Nancy Jensen.

Serving Next Week, April 20 (Easter Sunday)

Prayer /Scripture:  
8:45: Motu Johnston, Prayer / Pete Darling, Scripture  
11:00: Michelle Palma - Scripture  
Greeters:  
8:45: Steve & Laura Matheis, Steve & Jackie Decker  
11:00: Chuck & Cathy Schroeder  
Ushers:  
8:45: Steve & Jeanine Holen  
11:00: Jason & Julie Wendtland



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