

April 20, 2025
Easter 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 *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* David Lasky

*OPENING HYMN *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* (302)

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord’s Prayer Motu Johnston

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: North Kent Connect

MUSIC: *Crown Him with Many Crowns* Choir, acc by John Dibble
David Bates, trumpet

*DOXOLOGY

*HYMN *He Lives* (310)

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:1-10 (p. 909) Pete Darling

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

EASTER VIDEO

MESSAGE “Arise, Easter People” Pastor Anna Moon

*CLOSING HYMN *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* (304)
David Bates, trumpet

*SENDING RESPONSE

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* David Lasky

11:00 Service

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord’s Prayer

CHILDREN’S MOMENT- EASTER VIDEO Abby Teunissen
Children ages 4 yrs to 5th grade leave for JAMS (Jesus and Me Sunday)†

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: North Kent Connect

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:1-10 (p. 909) Michelle Palma

MESSAGE “Arise, Easter People” Pastor Anna Moon

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.

THIS WEEK AT RUMC

TODAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service
11 am Contemporary worship service

TUESDAY

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
1 pm Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Leadership Meeting, Room 205
6:45 pm Garden Club Meeting, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

10 am Worship Design, Room 205
12:30 pm Early Release, TWC
6:30 pm Hand Bells Rehearsal
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

6:30 pm Finance Meeting, Rm 205
6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

FRIDAY

10 am One Day Niche, Room 200

SATURDAY

8 am Church Cleanup
12-15 pm ASP Cake drop off and registration, Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service
11 am Contemporary worship service
11:30 am-1 pm ASP Lunch/Auction

Senior Connections Women’s Golf Senior Connections women’s golf will begin on Monday, May 5th, depending on the weather. We will let you know if we cancel. Our tee time is 9 am and we will do nine holes. We do not keep score. Please call Linda Larson if you are interested in joining us or if you have questions. We look forward to seeing all of you!

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).

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
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

Fellowship Tables is back! Fellowship Tables are for Everyone! Groups of couples and singles meet to share an evening meal six times over the upcoming months at a host home, with a final group potluck event in February 2026 at the church. Along with great food, groups enjoy activities and fellowship as the spirit moves them. The first event is Friday, May 30. To help us improve this ministry, please complete the survey available in the Worship Entrance or online at rockfordumc.org and return by the May 11 services. To sign up for the May 30 event, contact Bill MacDhubhain.

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.

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 Thurs, May 1. The vigil will take place from 7 am - 7 pm at the church. Volunteers can sign up in the Worship Entrance.

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. Be sure to register before May 3!

Finance Update through April 13, 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:	\$133,440.00	has received
Year to Date Received	\$126,738.62	\$23,266.62 so far.
Bread Pan: North Kent Connect - \$437.32		
Weekly Attendance	8:45 am/online	11 am/online
April 6	81/16	50/2
April 13	100/14	66/3

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – April 20, 2025

Praises and Celebrations

Pat Bradley's biopsy went well, no sign of cancer. Sister of Mary Eadie.

The daughter and granddaughter of Pat Tefft made it home safely from a very successful tour of Croatia and Italy with the Rockford High School Traveling choir. Thanks for your prayers.

Jack Matczak, a student at Florida State University. Thankfully, he was not one of the six injured. Son of Tracy & Jim Matczak and step-grandson of Mary Eadie.

New Prayer Concerns

George Mayhak, was hospitalized with heart issues, he is now home. Prayers for George and Judy.

Wendy and Jonathon Helbling, prayers Wendy's papers are expedited so she can finally legally enter the US and live with her husband. Son and daughter-in-law of Kim Vitacco.

Prayer Updates

Linda Spinella will have a biopsy done on a suspicious nodule on May 5th. Flutist friend of Al & Val Northcutt.

Anonymous mother of 4 children plus a newborn infant, who had her baby through a C-section. She was taken by ambulance again due to her heart. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.

Ann Burgoon is back in the hospital for rehab.

Bonnie Velazquez, prayers for peace and comfort.

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Ann MacDhubhain, friend of Susan Groover, 13 year old boy, Scott Pitcher, Nancy Jensen, and the family of Lorelee Lillibridge.

Serving Next Week April 27

Prayer /Scripture:
8:45: Jacque Melin - Prayer & Scripture
11:00: Lorraine DeBaptiste - Scripture
Greeters:
8:45: Mark Self and Lee Aldrich
11:00: Aaron Northcutt Family
Ushers:
8:45: Pam Wolven, Kathryn Ricker
11:00: Julie Roach, Michelle Palma

He Is Risen



Easter Sunday

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