

**“Encounter” Series
February 1, 2026**

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 / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* Dale Wood

*OPENING HYMN *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* (430)

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Apostle’s Creed (881) Motu Johnston

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Michigan Disaster Response

Music: *Communion* H. Alexander Matthews

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* (357, v.1,3,5,6)

SCRIPTURE John 1:43-51 (p.967) Lionel Hurd

MESSAGE “Encounter 1: On the Road” Pastor Anna Moon

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Music: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* Robert Hebble

*CLOSING HYMN *Where He Leads Me* (338)

*SENDING RESPONSE

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN No. 898

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Prelude and Fugue in C* J. S. Bach

11:00 Service

GREETING / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Apostle’s Creed (881)

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Abby Teunissen

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

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Michigan Disaster Response

SCRIPTURE John 1:43-51 (p.967) Rose Kempf

MESSAGE “Encounter 1: On the Road” Pastor Anna Moon

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Music:

*CLOSING SONG

*SENDING RESPONSE

Blest Be the Tie that Binds (No. 557 vs. 1), *Send Us into the World*

*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
10 am Stained Glass Group, back half Fellowship Hall
11 am Contemporary worship service

TUESDAY

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
1:00 pm Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Leadership Meeting, Room 205
6:45 pm Garden Club, Fellowship Hall (rescheduled)

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Worship Design Meeting, Rm 205
12:00 pm Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall
12:30 pm Early Release Program, TWC
6:30 pm Women’s Group, TWC
6:30 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

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

SATURDAY

8:30 am RUMC Men’s Group
2:00 pm Sweeney Family Event, Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service
10 am Stained Glass Group, back half Fellowship Hall
11 am Contemporary worship service

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).

Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, February 4, from noon - 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up at rockfordumc.org/blood-drive. Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome as schedule allows.

Today’s Bread Pan: Michigan Disaster Response—The Michigan Disaster Response Team works year round to prepare, plan and equip teams so we can respond when disaster strikes (tornadoes, floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, famine, etc). We are called to pray for those in need with prayers of peace, God’s abundant Grace, wholeness, and safety for those affected and those there to help. When you give a financial gift to the United Methodist Committee on Relief, 100% goes directly to aid. Thank you for your support.

Sermon Notes

Where to find

Church Information rockfordumc.org

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

Monthly Schedule rockfordumc.org/events

See what’s going on at RUMC this month

Live Worship/Virtual Bulletin/Attendance rockfordumc.org/watch

View live worship; download the bulletin to your mobile device or home computer; or register your in-person or virtual attendance

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Find a ministry right for you and your family

Newsletter rockfordumc.org/connect-with-us

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



Announcements & Upcoming Events

Please Pick Up Your Dishes in the Kitchen we have several which need to go home.

Women's Retreat 2026 You are invited to the *Praises and Prayers* Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 18, from 8:45 am-noon. The cost is \$30 per person, registration is required to attend. Registration sheets are available in today's bulletin, or register at rockfordumc.org/womens-retreat.

The Women's Group will be studying *She Delights* by Elle Cardel Wednesdays, February 4 - March 18 (skipping Ash Wednesday) at 6:30 pm in the TWC. The class will explore how to find joy in Christ and understanding in God's delight in us with practical spiritual disciplines. Books can be purchased thru Amazon, Christianbook, and Baker Book House. RSVP to Teri Sweeney or Carol Murphy.

Ash Wednesday Service will be held on February 18 at 7 pm. In addition to hymns and contemporary music, we will have the Imposition of Ashes.

Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers Needed Mark your calendars! We will be holding our Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28, at 10 am. Abby is looking for volunteers to help with egg stuffing before the event and folks to hide the eggs, provide refreshments, and hang out with the kiddos on the day of the event. If interested, please contact Abby at childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org.

Winter Weather Closing and Inclement Weather Policy On days when Rockford Public Schools closes for a snow day, all day and night activities are canceled. The staff has a two-hour delay in getting to the office to be sure the roads are cleared and safe. Any closings or cancelations which develop during the day will be announced and posted on WOODTV, WZZMTV, church Facebook page and the church website. On Sundays, whether there is significant snowfall, icy roads or low temperatures, we remind you to stay home if you are not comfortable driving in any weather conditions. Instead, please join us online to worship at rockfordumc.org/watch.

Finance Update through Jan. 25

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

Gifts & Offerings	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Building Needs</u>
Year to Date Needed:	\$35,916.00	has received
Year to Date Received:	\$41,324.13	\$92,360.59 so far.
Bread Pan: Vietnam Mission Initiative: \$288.39		
Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
Jan. 18	68/24	41/5
Jan. 25	66/17	42/4

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – January 25, 2026

Praises and Celebrations

Dave Johnston, the medication is working and he is doing much better.

Don deBaptiste is home, healing well and on the road to recovery.

New Prayer Concerns

Jim Denison injured his hip after a fall in his home.

Judy King had a recent diagnosis of pancreatic cancer and has chosen not to pursue curative treatment. Mother of Robbin Sheasley.

Aspen (14), in ICU at DeVos Children's Hospital on a ventilator with MRSA and sepsis. Daughter of co-worker of Martha Ohnsman.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Bob & Geri Winegar and family, Kristi Kulhanek, Sam Wells, Vicki, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Week, February 8

Prayer /Scripture:

8:45 am: Jacque Melin - Prayer / Bill MacDhubhain - Scripture

11 am: Linda Duncan - Scripture

Greeters:

8:45 am: LeAnn Hart & Marj Brown

11 am: Pat Tefft & Linda Duncan

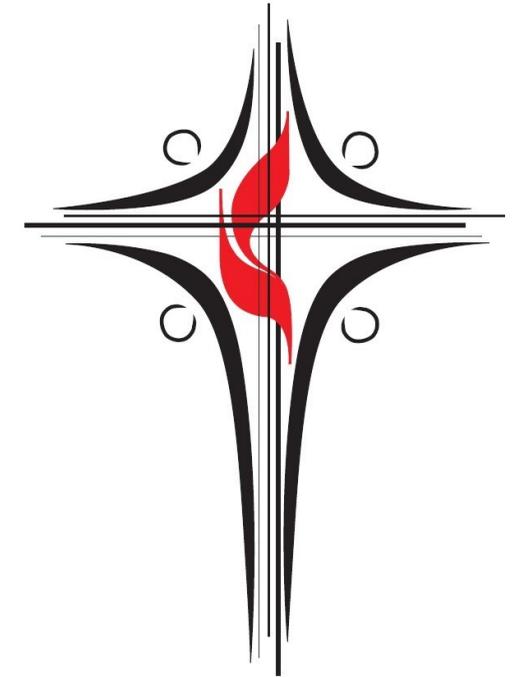
Ushers:

8:45 am: Steve & Jackie Decker

11 am: Jim & Pam Bird

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.

Your Attendance Counts! Please print clearly the first and last names of each attendee on the attendance pads. Thank you!!



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