

**“I AM” Series  
February 22, 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 *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* Sam Owens

\*OPENING HYMN *In the Cross of Christ I Glory (295 v 1-4)*

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord’s Prayer Lynn Zimmerman

\*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: NOMADS (Nomads On a Mission Active in Divine Service)

Music: *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* Dale Wood

\*DOXOLOGY (95)

\*HYMN *Break Thou the Bread of Life (599)*

SCRIPTURE John 6:35-39 (p. 972) Ruth Brod

MESSAGE “I AM the Bread of Life” Pastor Anna Moon

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

\*SENDING RESPONSE

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

\*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN No. 898

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *March From Scipio* George Frideric Handel

**11:00 Service**

GREETING / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord’s Prayer

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Abby Teunissen  
*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—Newsletter Items Due**

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

**MONDAY**

9:30 am Zentangle Class, Fellowship Hall

**TUESDAY**

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC  
1:00 pm Staff Meeting  
6:45 pm Garden Club, Fellowship Hall

**WEDNESDAY**

10 am Worship Design Meeting, Rm 205  
12:30 pm Early Release, TWC  
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Dinner, Fellowship Hall  
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  
7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

**FRIDAY**

6 pm Fellowship Tables Potluck, Fellowship Hall

**NEXT SUNDAY**

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

**The Zentangle Class** will meet on Monday, February 23, from 9:30-noon. If interested, see Jacque Melin.

**Wednesday Dinner** February 25, at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Our hosts, Lynn Zimmerman and friends, will be serving pizza, salad, dessert and beverage. Baskets available for a freewill offering.

**Fellowship Tables Potluck** Friday, February 27, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you have not been participating, we encourage you to attend anyway, it’s a great way to get to meet other folks! Contact Bill MacDhubhain so he can have a place for you at the table.

**Today’s Bread Pan: NOMADS (Nomads on a Mission Active in Divine Service)** - NOMADS provide volunteer labor for United Methodist organizations by demonstrating God’s love. They travel around the U.S. in their recreational vehicles and work on new construction, remodeling, and repairs for churches, children’s homes, camps, colleges, outreach missions, and disaster rebuilding.

**Sermon Notes**

**Where to find**

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

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

*Monthly Schedule* [rockfordumc.org/events](http://rockfordumc.org/events)

See what’s going on at RUMC this month

*Live Worship/Virtual Bulletin/Attendance* [rockfordumc.org/watch](http://rockfordumc.org/watch)

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/ministries](http://rockfordumc.org/ministries)

Find a ministry right for you and your family

*Newsletter* [rockfordumc.org/connect-with-us](http://rockfordumc.org/connect-with-us)

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



## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Did You Know?** There is a doorbell at the education/center entrance which buzzes in the church office and staff can talk to and see (from the camera) the person before they let them in.

**High School Seniors/College Students** If you will be attending college in the fall, please let the church office know by February 27. Scholarship applications will be available in March.

**Membership and/or Baptism** If you are interested in joining RUMC as a member (attending RUMC at least 3 months) and/or in baptism, please contact Pastor Anna by February 24.

**The Prayer Ministry Team** is inviting others to join them in prayer each day at 3 pm Tuesday-Friday, which is the time when the prayer concerns emails are sent. Prayer concerns are emailed as we receive them, so they can be daily or sporadic. Let the church office know if you would like to receive the prayer concern emails.

**Lenten Studies** Join us for a meaningful study using the book *Give Up Something Bad for Lent* by James Moore (same author from our Advent studies). This study will help us let go of habits and attitudes which hold us back, so we can grow closer to God during the Lenten season. The cost of the book is \$10. You may choose one of two options to participate:

- **Wednesday evenings** at 6:30 pm, March 4, 11, 18, and 25
- **Sunday mornings** at 10 am on March 8, 15, 22, and 29

**Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers Needed**, contact Abby if interested at [childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org](mailto:childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org).

- **Stuffing Easter Eggs** with candy on March 25 after the Wednesday Dinner.
- **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, March 28, at 10 am. Help to hide the eggs, provide refreshments, and hang out with the kiddos on the day of the event.

**Women's Retreat 2026** *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. Register at [rockfordumc.org/womens-retreat](http://rockfordumc.org/womens-retreat) or pick up a paper registration form in the worship entrance.

### Finance Update through Feb. 15

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

Gifts & Offerings	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Building Needs</u>
Year to Date Needed:	\$62,853.00	has received
Year to Date Received:	\$73,989.26	\$95,406.03 so far.

Bread Pan: Urban Youth Retreat: \$272.72

Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
Feb. 8	106/7	63/0
Feb. 15	92/18	51/2
Feb. 18 (Ash Wednesday)	80	

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

## PRAYER CONCERNS – February 22, 2026

### Praises and Celebrations

Praise God, **Lisa Rose-Rothwell** is in remission; daughter of Jackie Cook.

**Son-in-law** of Bill and Ann MacDhubhain has a new position with his former employer; prayers for a successful transition.

**Harlan Colter (Colt) Schultz**, born February 13 to parents, Andy & Michelle (and big brother, Walker), grandparents, Phil & Laura Schultz and great grandparents, Gene & Sharon Berry.

### New Prayer Concerns

**Jim Larson** is recovering from a couple of falls in his home.

**Leona Murphy**, hospitalized in Florida, undergoing testing to diagnose a gastrointestinal issue. Prayers are needed for a quick diagnosis. Mother of Scott Murphy.

### Prayer Updates

**Scott & Melinda Knapp**, they were both taken off the ventilator and passed away on Tuesday. Prayers of peace and comfort for the family. Brother and sister-in-law of Mary Knapp.

**Barbie Dibble** is home and recovering from having a pacemaker and defibrillator inserted.

**Lori Burnette** moved into hospice care this week, prayers for peace, comfort, and tranquility. Friend of Mark Self.

**Rob Miller** is receiving Tarlatamab infusions every 15 days and is now on palliative care at home. Friend of Al & Val Northcutt.

**Wendy Martin** is undergoing further tests before treatment for breast cancer. Friend of Sue Kerbyson.

### Continuing Concerns

**Please keep the following in your prayers:** family of Aspen (14), Steve Decker, Steve & Alice, Sara, Resa Szokowski, Judy Lee, Don deBaptiste, Kristi Kulhanek, Judy King, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

### Serving Next Week, March 1

#### Prayer /Scripture:

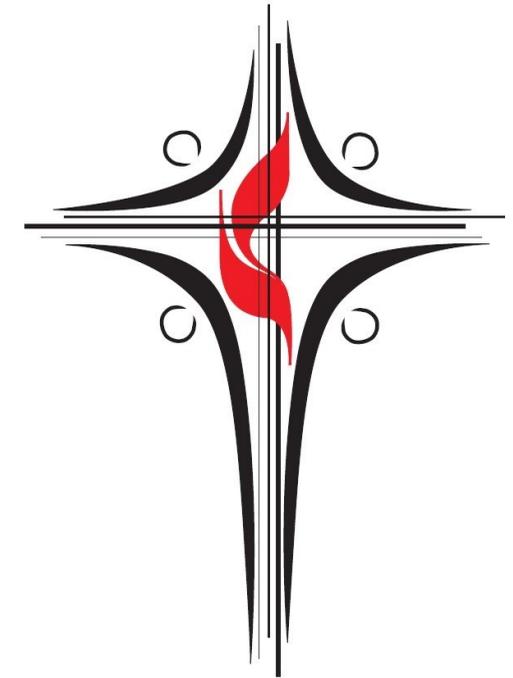
8:45 am: Motu Johnston - Prayer / Jeanine Holen - Scripture  
11 am: Valerie Northcutt - Prayer & Scripture

#### Greeters:

8:45 am: Motu & Robb Johnston  
11 am: Pat Tefft, Linda Duncan

#### Ushers:

8:45 am: Phil & Laura Schultz  
11 am: Jim & Mary Penrod



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