

**Memorial Day Sunday
Pentecost Sunday**

May 24, 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 *America* James Southbridge

*OPENING HYMN *America (697)*

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Darlene Topp

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Assure Women's Center

Music: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Wilbur Held

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN *Breathe on Me, Breath of God (420)*

SCRIPTURE Darlene Topp

Acts 2:1-4, Galatians 5:16-18 (p. 992,1062)

MESSAGE "Live By the Spirit" Pastor Anna Moon

*CLOSING HYMN (500 v. 1,3,4,5)

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

*SENDING RESPONSE

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Sarabande* Carl Bohm

11:00 Service

GREETING / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Abby Teunissen

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

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Assure Women's Center

SCRIPTURE Rose Kempf

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MESSAGE "Live By the Spirit" Pastor Anna Moon

*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

11 am Contemporary worship service

MONDAY- Memorial Day

TUESDAY

10 am Tai Chi, TWC

12-2 pm Staff Lunch and Meeting

6 pm Start of Summer Safety Meeting, Sanctuary

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

6:45 pm Garden Club, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

10 am Worship Design Mtg, Room 205

May 28-31 Pastor Anna at Annual Conference

THURSDAY

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

FRIDAY

6 pm Fellowship Tables, Off Site

SATURDAY

4 pm Thursten Family Gathering, Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service

11 am Contemporary worship service

Pastor Anna will leave Wednesday afternoon to attend Annual Conference. She will be there through May 31. While she is away, if you have a pastoral need, please contact the church office. Lynn and Suzanne Zimmerman will also be attending Annual Conference.

Pastor Anna will be out of the office June 1-6. This is a planning week for the rest of the year.

Did you know the church building has a Green Room? No, it's not a waiting room for guests before they go on stage. It's a storage area located behind the sanctuary portion of the building. The origin of the name is unknown.

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: Alpha Family Center of Cedar Springs d/b/a Assure Women's Center offers many services for women while pregnant and after childbirth. They have clothes, diapers, etc. for the clients. Many volunteer opportunities are available: work with mothers, help with babies/toddlers, sort donations, answer phones/schedule appointments, and many others. We helped them purchase an Ultrasound Machine to better serve their clients. They also ask for prayers for Alpha's clients, volunteers, the board of directors, and the staff.

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

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Ministries for You rockfordumc.org/ministries

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

Women's Golf No golf this Monday, due to Memorial Day. They will meet again at 9 am on June 2 at North Kent Golf Course.

50+ Potluck Join us for a delicious meal on Thursday, June 4, then plan to stay and listen to our own Suzanne Devries-Zimmerman, PhD, present Wind Blows, Sand Moves, Michigan Coastal Dunes. Suzanne is a Professor of Geology at Hope College and she will share her research about how our Michigan dunes formed and have been changing over time. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Plan to arrive at 11:45 am and meet in the Fellowship Hall. Please note: we will be taking the months of July and August off and return in September.

Congratulations to our Graduates! High School Seniors are Devon Oleneack and Savannah Wollney. Kyle Sweeney graduates this spring from Taylor University with a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Jacob Oleneack graduated this last winter from Grand Rapids Community College with an Associates Degree in Business. Chloe Tschetter is graduating this spring from Michigan State University with her Master's in Social Work

Congratulations to our Scholarship Winners! Bird Family Scholarship: Devon Oleneack; RUMC Scholarship: Mara Sweeney and Audrey Wendtland; and UM/ASP Scholarship: Brandon Roach.

Amity Circle Amity Circle will not be meeting during the months of June, July or August. They will start up again in September. Watch your bulletins and newsletters for more information as the time gets closer.

The Next Community Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, June 3, from noon - 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Register at rockfordumc.org/blood-drive. Walk-ins will be taken as the schedule allows.

Finance Update through May 17

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:	\$178,980.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	\$171,938.86	\$30,901.84

HVAC Campaign Received So Far - \$23,195.26

Bread Pan: Miracle Sunday: \$390.35

Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
May 10	115/12	48/2
May 17	99/8	60/4

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – May 24, 2026

New Prayer Concerns

Pat Thomson passed away on May 19. Arrangements still pending.

Jackie Cook & family, death of her sister, Mary Bliss.

Steven Brinks, undergoing rabies shots after coming into contact with a bat. Son of Joyce & Harv Brinks.

Barbara Radunzel has declining health and the family is asking for prayer as they make decisions for her care. Mother of Ron & Sandy Radunzel.

Brian Bitson, recovering from a heart catheterization on Wednesday. Brother-in-law of Ron & Sandy Radunzel.

Grace (3 years old), diagnosed with Stage 5 kidney cancer. Cindy Presler's friend's granddaughter.

Cheryl Kime, battling ovarian cancer and now has liver cancer; has begun chemo treatment. Friend of Cindy Presler.

Diana Stevers is recovering from a procedure this past week.

Prayer Updates

George Lautenbach is home and resting; prayers for him and for Diane who must stay with him 24/7 for the next few days.

Marilyn Palmer is at the Oaks at Belmont for rehab. Still in much pain.

Rochelle Hinton, recovering at home after being hospitalized. Her dialysis catheter was the cause of one infection and was removed until a permanent port can be put in her arm. She is on strong antibiotics for the other infections, but still has pain. Her lungs are clear. Daughter-in-law of Nancy Hinton.

Carl Rife was discharged from the hospital on Thursday. Prayers for continued healing.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Julie Roach & family, Lee Aldrich & family, Family of Betty Walters, Jim Larson, Kristi Kulhanek, Judy King, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Sunday, May 31

Prayer /Scripture:

8:45 am: Jeff Seagle - Prayer & Scripture

11 am: Val Northcutt - Prayer, Jake Lindemer - Scripture

Greeters:

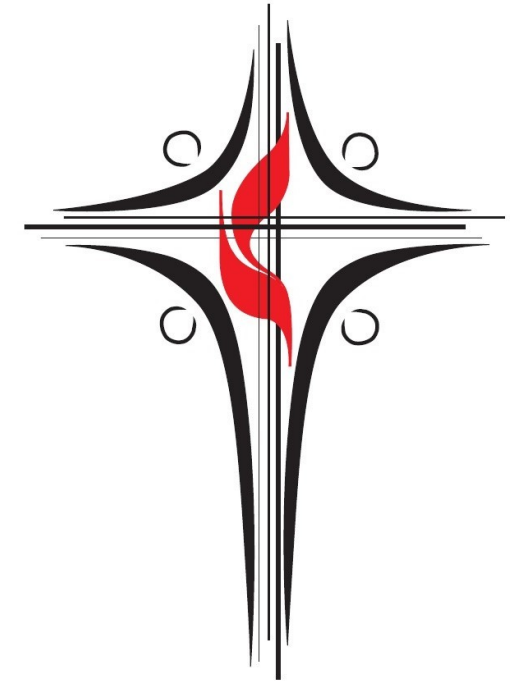
8:45 am: Mark & Betty Zeilinger

11 am: Chuck & Cathy Schroeder

Ushers:

8:45 am: Dave & Becky Fox

11 am: Kathy Jorgensen & Jason or Julie Wendtland



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