

“Journey through Acts” Series

June 14, 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 *Cantabile* David Lasky

*OPENING HYMN *This is My Father's World (144)*

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Darlene Topp

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Methodist Children's Home Society

Music: *With Solemn Joy We Come Dear Lord* Healey Willan

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN *Take My Life and Let It Be (399)*

SCRIPTURE Acts 4:32-37 (p. 995) Darlene Topp

MESSAGE: “The Heart God Desires” Pastor Anna Moon

*CLOSING HYMN *I Surrender All (354)*

*SENDING RESPONSE

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Elysium March* William Stickles

11:00 Service

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*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Barb Crowder

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

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Methodist Children's Home Society

SCRIPTURE 4:32-37 (p. 995) Julie Wendtland

MESSAGE: “The Heart God Desires” 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.

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—Flag Day

8:45 am Traditional worship service

10 am Engagement Team Meeting, Library

11 am Contemporary worship service

MONDAY

9 am Women's Golf, North Kent Golf Course

10 am Prayer Ministry Meeting, Room 207

6:30 pm GriefShare, Wesley Room

TUESDAY

10 am Tai Chi, TWC

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

WEDNESDAY

1 pm KDL Library Event, Fellowship Hall

5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner, Fellowship Hall

7 pm LifeWave, Sanctuary

THURSDAY

1 pm Friends2Friends, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Rockford SusCom Swap, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

FRIDAY

11 am Pat Thomson Visitation

12 pm Pat Thomson Funeral Service

NEXT SUNDAY - ASP Sunday/Father's Day

10 am Combined Worship Service

Did you know Cliff and Nancy Hill are self-appointed “Water Commissioners” for the church? They have been checking on the church water softener, adding salt as needed, making sure it is running smoothly and notifying the Trustees when the salt supply is low. Thank you, Cliff and Nancy!

Combined Worship Service Next Sunday, June 21, will be a combined worship **service at 10 am**. This is ASP Sunday, so it allows the team to get some rest after their long trip. It is also Father's Day, so we can get those Father's Day celebrations started earlier.

Pastor Anna on Vacation, beginning tomorrow, June 15. She will be back in the office on July 1 after getting some well-deserved time off and rest. If a pastoral need arises, please contact the church office or Sue Kerbyson.

Be Sure Doors are Latched when leaving the church building. We have a few doors not latching properly, so please double check the door is closed and latched when you leave. Thank you.

Today's Bread Pan: Methodist Children's Home Society - The primary focus of this agency is to provide a safe environment for children who have experienced physical, psychological and sexual abuse, or children who have been neglected by their parents. The foster home provides treatment in a family atmosphere for children from birth to 17.

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

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

Our 2026 Appalachia Service Project Team is currently in Kentucky to work on poverty stricken homes to make them warmer, safer and drier. In addition to construction on their homes, the team will also give each family a homemade quilt made by one of our talented quilters.

Wednesday Dinner This is short notice, but we had some date confusion. Please come out this **Wednesday, June 17**, and enjoy a meal of ribs, corn on the cob, salads, dessert and beverage. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall by the members of the Hand Bell Choir and Choir. Baskets will be available for a freewill offering.

Vacation Bible School 2026: Snowball Mountain Challenge

We are gearing up for a new adventure as Vacation Bible School takes on the Snowball Mountain Challenge! This program will run July 13-17 from 9 am—12 pm, and is available for ages 4 years old thru the completion of 5th grade. Registration is open now and can be found on the website or by filling out a paper copy and turning it into the church office (paper copies are available by the children and youth bulletin board). Please reach out to Abby at childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org with any questions.

Volunteers--We Need You! We are looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School! We will need leaders to go with the kids from station to station, as well as leaders to run each station. Being Safe Gathering certified is encouraged, but not required for all volunteer positions. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Abby at childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org. We could not make this fun opportunity happen without you, so thank you!

Fellowship Tables The next Fellowship Tables Night is Friday, June 26. If you haven't participated yet, it's not too late to join in! Groups of 6-8 meet, usually around 6 pm, for a meal and fellowship. This is a great way to meet other folks!! Invite your friends to sign up! The host provides the main dish and guests bring appetizers, sides or dessert. Contact Bill MacDhubhain as soon as possible to sign up.

Finance Update through June 7

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:	\$204,271.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	\$206,511.43	\$33,556.79

HVAC Campaign Received So Far - \$35,622.13

Bread Pan: Forgotten Man Ministry: \$390.15

Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
May 31	93/9	47/3
June 7	89/7	56/4

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – June 14, 2026

Praises and Celebrations

Benjamin Howard Campbell & Henry William Campbell were born Tuesday, June 9, to parents, PJ & Catherine Campbell, who are currently serving overseas in Germany. All are doing well. They are joined at home by big brother, Jamie. Grandparents are Craig & Susan Witte.

Kathy Myrkle, prayers were answered and voices exceeding gratitude to our Lord, Jesus, for the remarkable and speedy healing from idiosyncratic pancreatitis. Praise the Lord!

New Prayer Concerns

2026 ASP Team as they spend the week working in Kentucky and travel back home. Prayers also for the families being impacted. The team will return on Saturday, June 20.

Employment for the River Valley staff and new graduates.

Chip Stevers underwent a procedure on Tuesday, he is home and doing well.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Bruce Preston, Resa Szokowski & family, Grace, Steve Decker, Marilyn Palmer, George Lautenbach, Rochelle Hinton, Jim Larson, Kristi Kulhanek, Judy King, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Sunday, June 21

Prayer /Scripture:

10 am: Motu Johnston - Prayer
Lucy Margot - Scripture

Greeters:

10 am: ASP Team Members

Ushers:

10 am: ASP Team Members

Sponsor a BTU Campaign Through June 2026 we are raising funds to support the replacement of a large HVAC unit, projected to cost \$130,000. More information is available in the entrances (or contact the office) including ways to contribute including our website. Thank you for your continued support!

Bottle/can deposits for Pastor's Discretionary Fund When turning in bottles/cans **please rinse them out and be sure you are leaving only bottles and cans which have a deposit** to the barrel in the Community Room (closet across from the Fellowship Hall). The deposit money goes to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund which is used to help individuals in need of financial assistance for utility payments, food or gas money.



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