

“Journey through Acts” Series

August 2, 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 / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

PRELUDE *Prelude and Fugue in d* J.S. Bach

*OPENING HYMN *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* (173 Tune 92)

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

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Grand Rapids Vietnamese UMC

Music: *Elevation* Paul Benoit

*DOXOLOGY (95)

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

SCRIPTURE Acts 9:1 - 9 (p. 1000) Steve Holen

MESSAGE: “Shaken to the Core” Pastor Anna Moon

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Music: *I Adore Thee* Robert Hebble

*CLOSING HYMN *Christ is Alive* (318 v.1,2,4,5)

*SENDING RESPONSE

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Just As I Am* William Bradbury

11:00 Service

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

*OPENING SONGS

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

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Pastor Anna Moon

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

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*CLOSING SONG *Jesus Messiah*

*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
6:30 pm Devotions on the Deck, Melin’s home (last one)

MONDAY

9 am Women’s Golf, North Kent Golf Course
9:30 am Zentangle Make-up Class, Jacque Melin’s home
6:30 pm GriefShare, Wesley Room

TUESDAY

10 am Tai Chi, TWC
6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

WEDNESDAY

10 am Worship Design Meeting, Room 205
12 pm Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am Traditional worship service
10 am Engagement Team Mtg, Library
11 am Contemporary worship service

Did you know... We could use your help in the Nursery on Sunday mornings? Whether you are a great grandparent, grandparent, parent, aunt/uncle or a teen, volunteering every 4-6 weeks would be a great help! For your protection, volunteers must take a training course. Contact Abby or the church office for more information.

Abby and Brandon Teunissen will be on vacation from August 1-23. The week of August 23 Abby will be back in the office with reduced hours as she is returning to her teaching job.

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: Grand Rapids Vietnamese UMC- History was made in 1987 when the Grand Rapids Vietnamese UMC became an official part of the West Michigan Conference family. It was the first Vietnamese United Methodist Church chartered anywhere in the world, and now one of many Vietnamese congregations active across the United States. For over 30 years they’ve been a bilingual, contemporary presence in their community doing everything churches do, including worship, counseling, weddings, funerals, outreach, along with celebrating the sacraments. Their continued mission is to reach out to Vietnamese and English speaking alike continuing to do new things for refugees and immigrants coming to the community from Vietnam, next door, and around the world.

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

VBS Mission Project Thank you to all who contributed their cans/bottles to be returned and put toward the Mobility Worldwide PET vehicles. Also, a special thank you to all who contributed money to "purchase" or put toward the "purchase" of PET vehicles. As of this writing, we have collected enough money to cover the cost for seven of these vehicles!! You have helped us to exceed our goal of at least one and maybe two vehicles.

Salvation Army/Dwelling Place-Cleaning Supply Drive (Thru August 9) Items most needed are: all-purpose liquid cleaner, disinfectant sprays/wipes, liquid dish soap, liquid laundry detergent, floor cleaners for various surfaces, bathroom and toilet bowl cleaners, and glass cleaners. Microfiber cloths/cleaning rags, scrub sponges, toilet brushes, brooms and dustpans, mops and buckets, trash bags (standard and heavy duty), rubber gloves and laundry baskets. **Place your donations in the laundry baskets located in both entrances.**

District Leadership Opportunities At the June Annual Conference the vote was to divide Michigan into 4 Districts. We are in the Greater Southwest District, which is then divided into 12 branches. Below is an announcement from our District Office.

God calls us to work together to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. The Greater Southwest District is seeking representative leadership with different ages, backgrounds, and experiences from all twelve District Branches. Anyone who feels called to serve is invited to complete the District Leadership Application (found at michigan-reg.brtapp.com/GSWDistrictLeadershipApp) by August 15.

Would you like to be a part of our Hand Bells or Choir? Weekly rehearsals begin in September. The Hand Bells rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm and the Choir at 7:30 pm. The Hand Bells play one Sunday a month and the Choir sings two Sundays a month. The ability to read music is preferred but not needed. Questions or interested? Contact Mary Knapp or the church office.

Finance Update through July 26

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:	\$272,360.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	\$252,976.54	\$41,773.48

HVAC Campaign Received So Far - \$43,856.39

Bread Pan: Salvation Army Homelessness - \$334.15

Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
July 19	87/9	50/3
July 26	95/6	32/1

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – August 2, 2026

Praises and Celebrations

Denny Muston is back home after being at Mary Free Bed for rehab. He thanks everyone for their prayers. Neighbor of Al & Val Northcutt.

New Prayer Concerns

Linda Larson & family, death of her sister, Judy Morgan, on Wednesday.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Nancy DeWitt, Barry Fraser, Doreen Timmers, Kathryn Ricker & family, Judy Mayhak, Marilyn Palmer, Bruce Preston, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Sunday, August 9

Prayer /Scripture:

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

11:00 am: Linda Duncan - Scripture

Greeters:

8:45 am: Al & Penny Dresselhouse

11:00 am: Jim & Mary Penrod

Ushers:

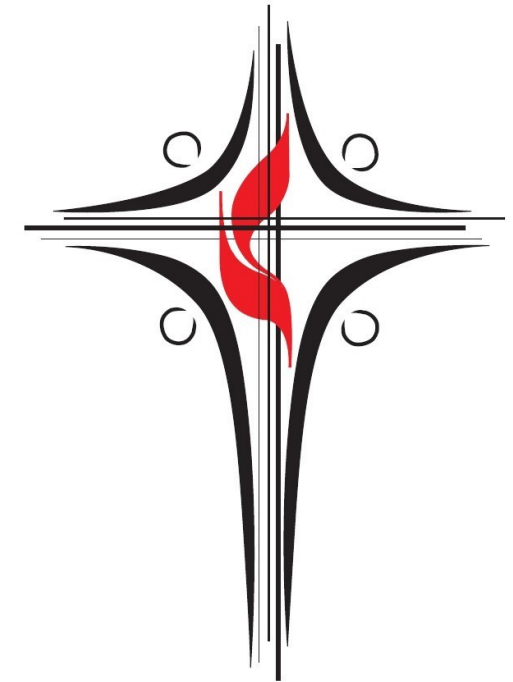
8:45 am: Dave & Cindy Bates

11:00 am: Kathy Jorgensen, Scott Pitcher

Community Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, August 5, from noon—7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Register for an appointment at rockfordumc.org/blood-drive. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted as the schedule allows.

Prayer Leaders and Scripture Readers Needed for both services. Prayer Leaders create their own prayer and lead the congregation in silent prayer and reciting the Lord's Prayer or the Apostles' Creed. Scripture Readers are provided the reading in advance. Please contact the church office to sign up or for more information.

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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