

“Journey through Acts” Series
October 4, 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 *I Love to Tell the Story*

*OPENING HYMN *I Love to Tell the Story* (156)

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Apostles’ Creed (881) Jacque Melin

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN World Communion Sunday

Music: *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* Choir acc. by John Dibble

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN *Bread of the World* (624)

SCRIPTURE Acts 18:24-28; (p. 1012) Sharon Campbell
1 Corinthians 3:9 (p.1039) in multiple languages; *Suzanne DeVries-Zimmerman (Dutch), Lynn Zimmerman (German), Motu Johnston (Rotuman), Katie Lindemer (Spanish), Diana Stevers, (Ukranian) and Pastor Anna (Korean)*

MESSAGE “Co-Workers of God” Pastor Anna Moon

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN *We are Marching in the Light of God (on screen)*

*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 / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Apostles’ Creed Barb Crowder

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Abby Teunissen
Children ages 4 yrs to 5th grade leave for JAMS (Jesus and Me Sunday)†

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: Church World Service—CROP Walk

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*BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT RUMC

TODAY - World Communion Sunday

8:45 am Traditional worship service

10 am Stained Glass Group, Fellowship Hall, window end

11 am Contemporary worship service

MONDAY

9 am Women’s Golf, North Kent Golf Course

4:30 pm A Praying Life, center entrance

TUESDAY

10 am Tai Chi, TWC

6:30 pm Finance Meeting, Room 205

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WEDNESDAY

10 am Worship Design Meeting, Room 205

12 pm Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall

6 pm Stewardship Meeting, Room 205

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

7:30 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal

THURSDAY

11 am Hymn Sing at Story Point

1 pm Amity Circle, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm RUMC Education Meeting, Room 205

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

10 am Stained Glass Class, Fellowship Hall, window end

11 am Contemporary worship service

COMING UP AT RUMC

Mon, Oct 12: A Praying Life, 4:30 pm

Tue, Oct 13: Hand2Hand Packing, 6:30 pm (@Rockford Reformed)

Wed, Oct 14: Early Release, 12:30 pm
Women’s Bible Study, 6pm
Choir reh, 6:30 pm; Handbells reh, 7:30 pm.

Thurs, Oct 15: NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE
Friends2Friends, 1 pm
Library using parking lot, 3:30-6 pm

Fri, Oct 16: Hasenpfeffer Night, 6:30 pm

Sun, Oct 18: Worship Services, 8:45 & 11 am
Stained Glass Group, 10 am

†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).

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

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the October newsletter in the worship entrance (under the clock) or open your newsletter email! Much work goes into the newsletter to let you know what is happening in the church.

Church Membership/Baptism If you are interested in becoming a member of the church and/or being baptized, please contact Pastor Anna or the church office.

Women's Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 6 pm in the TWC. The book is *Heaven: An Unexpected Journey* by Jim Woodford. The study will continue on Oct. 28 and Nov. 11.

GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays A two hour seminar with a 30 minute video and discussion will be held on Monday, October 19, from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Education Entrance. The seminar is free to attend, but the cost of the workbook is \$12.

Fall Pasty Sale October 26-29th!! Pasty making and baking will be Mon - Wed, and sales will be Tues - Thurs. Volunteers are needed on Fri, October 23, for flour prep and Sat, October 24, for veggie prep (bring your own peeler). If you have any questions, contact Nancy Grossman or Pam Wolven.

Halloween Rest Stop: Not a trick, just a treat! We are looking for volunteers to help with the rest stop on Saturday, October 31 from 5:30-8:30pm. We are also looking for donations of candy, apple cider, hot cocoa packets, and water to give to those who stop by. Please reach out to Abby at childrenandyouth@rockfordumc.org if you would like to donate or volunteer. Thank you!

Nursery and JAMS Volunteers are Needed to help out during the 11 am service. JAMS provides a lesson and a craft activity; all materials are provided. Nursery provides child play and a short lesson with all materials provided. Contact Abby if you are interested in helping with either area.

Finance Update through September 20

You are encouraged to give on Sunday, through US mail or via the web-site rockfordumc.org/give/. Thank you for your continued support!

Gifts & Offerings	<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Building Needs</u>
Year to Date Needed:	\$340,451.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	\$315,837.78	\$51,495.37
HVAC Campaign Received - \$44,078.13		
Bread Pan: Church World Service CROP Walk - \$404.15		

Weekly Attendance	<u>8:45 am/online</u>	<u>11 am/online</u>
September 20	10:00 Combined Service: 129/9	
September 27	85/7	45/3

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – October 4, 2026

Praises and Celebrations

Charlotte Christa Gibbons, was born on September 26 to parents, Bill and Maja (Hill) Gibbons, and great grandparents, Cliff and Nancy Hill.

New Prayer Concerns

Holly (Berkstresser) Carlson's cancer has returned. She had the tumor removed and it doesn't look like the cancer has spread. Tests will be done soon to be certain.

Tuovi Cochrane fell while traveling in Finland and is recovering at home now. She is doing better.

Prayer Updates

Deanna DeGood passed away on September 26. Her Celebration of Life service was on Wednesday at the church.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Porter Harms, Lucy Schultz, VIS friend, family member, Jeff Birkhold, Mike Boyer, Nephew of Harv and Joyce Brinks, Don deBaptiste, Eileen Straus, Bruce Preston, Rob Miller, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Sunday, October 11

Prayer /Scripture:

8:45 am: Jeff Seagle - Prayer/Scripture

11:00 am: Val Northcutt - Prayer, Kaitlyn Slate - Scripture

Greeters:

8:45 am: Nancy Hinton

11:00 am: Kathy Jorgensen, Pat Tefft

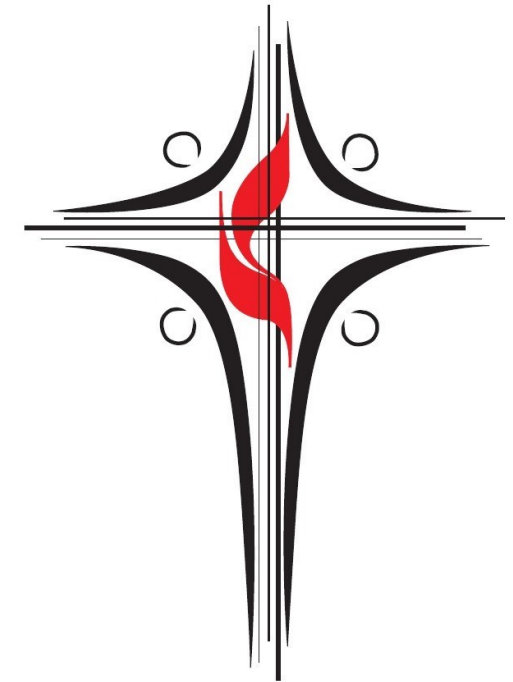
Ushers:

8:45 am: Dave & Becky Fox

11:00 am: Cindy Caywood, Pam Lindemer

Trustee Open/Close: Chip Stevers

Today's Bread Pan: World Communion Sunday - A celebration observed by many Christian denominations, the tradition began in 1933 and is celebrated on the first Sunday of October each year. United Methodists believe in an open table, meaning anyone may receive communion. Countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles which hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them, especially youth and young adults. Our giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve. Because you give on World Communion Sunday, the less fortunate can become the world-changers God created them to be.



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