"Living Out the Way" Series
November 1, 2026
Stewardship Week 4/All Saints Sunday

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: *Shall We Gather at the River* *Sam Owens*

*OPENING HYMN *The Church's One Foundation (545, v 1,2,4,5)*

READING OF THE NAMES OF THE SAINTS Lionel Hurd
Bell Ringer: Val Northcutt

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Lionel Hurd

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: UMCOR - Where Most Needed

Music: *Almost Home* Choir acc. by John Dibble

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN: Shall We Gather at the River *(723)*

SCRIPTURE Acts 20:24, Hebrews 12:1-2 (p. 1014, 1097) Judy Mayhak

TESTIMONY Mary Knapp

MESSAGE "Living Out the Way 4: Kingdom Race" Pastor Anna Moon

*CLOSING HYMN *Sing with All the Saints in Glory (702)*

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Sing with All the Saints in Glory* *Irons/Beethoven*

11:00 Service

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

*OPENING SONGS

READING OF THE NAMES OF THE SAINTS Lionel Hurd
Bell Ringer: Carol VanderZanden

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Lord's Prayer Lionel Hurd

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

OFFERING / BREAD PAN: UMCOR - Where Most Needed

SCRIPTURE Acts 20:24, Hebrews 12:1-2 (p. 1014, 1097) Jake Lindemer

TESTIMONY Mary Knapp

MESSAGE "Living Out the Way 4: Kingdom Race" Pastor Anna Moon

*CLOSING SONG *I Offer My Life*

*SENDING RESPONSE
Blest Be the Tie that Binds (No. 557 vs. 1), *Send Us into the World*

*BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT RUMC

TODAY - Daylight Savings Time Ends
8:45 am Traditional worship service
10 am Stained Glass Class, Fellowship Hall
11 am Contemporary worship service

MONDAY
9:30 am Zentangle Class, Fellowship Hall
4:30 pm A Praying Life, Central Entrance

TUESDAY - Election Day
10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

WEDNESDAY
8:30 am Growing Hope Meeting, Junior High Room
10 am Worship Design, Room 205
12 pm Blood Drive, TWC
5:30 pm Fellowship Tables Event, Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

THURSDAY
8:30 am Growing Hope Meeting, Junior High Room
11 am Hymn Sing, Story Point
12 pm 50+ Potluck, Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

SATURDAY
8 am Church and Parsonage Cleanup

NEXT SUNDAY
10 am Combined Worship, Celebration Brunch to follow

COMING UP AT RUMC

Mon, Nov 9: A Praying Life, 4:30 pm
Wed, Nov 11: Women's Bible Study, 6 pm; Choir Reh, 6:30pm; Handbell Reh, 7:30 pm
Thu, Nov 12: Amity Circle, 1 pm
Sat, Nov 14: Leadership Retreat, 8 am
Sun, Nov 15: **NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE**; Sunday Worship, 8:45 & 11 am, Stained Glass Group, 10 am
Mon, Nov 16: A Praying Life, 4:30 pm
Wed, Nov 18: Wednesday Dinner & Movie Night, 5:30 pm; Choir Reh, 6:30 pm; Handbell Reh, 7:30 pm
Thu, Nov 19: Friends2Friends, 1 pm
Fri, Nov 20: Hasenpfeffer Night, 6:30 pm

Be sure to pick up your newsletter in the worship entrance today.

†**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

Please make sure your dishes go home. We have several here from funerals and pasties, so pick them up on your way out.

Grant Writing Opportunities Have you written any grants, or would like to be part of a team to write grants? If so, please contact the church office. There is grant-writing training and support from the Conference, so you don't need to be an expert in this area. The Trustees have many projects which need to be done and there are grants out there to help fund these projects if we can secure them.

Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, November 4, in the TWC from noon to 5:30 pm. Register for an appointment at rockfordumc.org/blood-drive. Walk-ins taken as the schedule allows.

50+ Potluck on Thursday, November 5, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass, coffee and water will be provided. Plan to arrive at 11:45 am to get ready to eat at noon. Following the meal, Jennifer German and Sara Magnuson will speak about the Krause Memorial Library project and highlight the many services available for older adults at the library as our needs change and require adaptation.

Church/Parsonage Clean Up Date is Saturday, November 7, at 8 am. Once we're done, we will head over to the parsonage to get it ready for winter as well. Rain date is November 21.

Stewardship Celebration Sunday Next Sunday, November 8, will be a combined worship service at 10 am. Join us for worship, Communion, the conclusion of the stewardship campaign and the church's 173rd birthday. Then stay for a delicious brunch. Multiple tables of food will be set up to help folks get their food faster.

Dinner and a Movie You're invited to dinner on Wednesday, November 18, at 5:30 pm hosted by the Education Team in the Fellowship Hall. After dinner we will show the movie, *Joseph: King of Dreams*.

Finance Update through October 25
You are encouraged to give either through US mail or via the website rockfordumc.org/give/. Thank you for your continued support!

Gifts & Offerings	Operating Fund	Building Needs
Year to Date Needed:	$389,086.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	$348,774.98	$58,791.41

Bread Pan: Safe Haven Ministries: $442.45

Weekly Attendance	8:45 am/online	11 am/online
October 18	96/6	45/2
October 25	99/12	58/4

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – November 1, 2026

Praises and Celebrations

Mike and Deb Boyer were allowed to go home to Traverse City. Mike and Deb want to thank you so much for your prayers and concern. They are former friends of RUMC and friends of Lee Petersen.

Wendy Helbling received her Visa and will be coming to the U.S. in mid-November! Daughter-in-law of Kim Wysocki.

New Prayer Concerns

Diane Griffiths had surgery on October 23 and is recovering at a rehab facility. Prayers for healing.

Dorris Tekiele spent some time in the ER after a fall in the church parking lot on Tuesday. Testing shows she has a couple of fractures in her hand/fingers and will have temporary pins inserted, but is otherwise ok.

Prayer Updates

Doug DeVries is recovering from surgery on Thursday to remove his gall bladder and possibly the bile duct tumor if they can.

Continuing Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers: Alison Mulliner, Sue Ann Coffinger, Diane (Joyce Brinks' niece), Maggie Taylor, Baby Beckham, Linda Larson, baby Lucy Schultz, Eileen Straus, Bruce Preston, and Doug DeVries.

Serving Next Sunday, November 8
Combined Service, 10:00 am

Prayer /Scripture:
10:00 am: Jeff Seagle, Prayer; Linda Duncan, Scripture

Greeters:
10:00 am: Linda Duncan, Pat Tefft

Ushers:
10:00 am: Jack & Carol VanderZanden

Communion Servers: Lorraine DeBaptiste, Rose Kempf, Motu Johnston, Darlene Topp

Trustee Open/Close: Bill MacDhubhain

Today's Bread Pan: UMCOR - Where Most Needed – This bread pan will support International and US countries where natural disasters, war, or conflict have done so much damage communities are unable to recover on their own. Specific programs address issues of health, sanitation, poverty, sustainable agriculture, nutrition, and food security.

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