"Living Out the Way" Series
November 8, 2026
Stewardship Week 5/Celebration Sunday
10:00 AM Combined Service

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.

10:00 Service

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

*SONG *Days of Elijah* Praise Team
*SONG *Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)* Praise Team

PRAYER Morning / Silent / Apostle's Creed (881) Jeff Seagle

*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

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

OFFERING / BREAD PAN North Kent Connect
Music *I Offer My Life* Praise Team

*DOXOLOGY (95)

*HYMN *I am Thine, O Lord (419)*

SCRIPTURE Linda Duncan
Acts 22:26-29; Philippians 3:20 (p.1016, 1070)

MESSAGE Pastor Anna Moon
"Living Out the Way 5: Kingdom People"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
Music *Let Us Break Bread Together* *Gordon Young*

PRAYER OVER THE PLEDGES

*CLOSING HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy (64)*

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

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN (898)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Fantasy and Fugue in C* J.S. Bach

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†JAMS is 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 service.

THIS WEEK AT RUMC

TODAY
10 am Combined Worship, Celebration Brunch to follow

MONDAY
9:30 am Prayer Ministry Meeting, Room 207
4:30 pm A Praying Life, Central Entrance

TUESDAY
10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
6:30 pm Trustee Mtg, Room 205
6:45 pm Garden Club, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY - Veteran's Day
10 am Worship Design, Room 205
12:30 pm Early Release Program, TWC
1:00 pm Pasty Committee Meeting, Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm Missions Team Meeting, Room 205
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study, TWC
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm SusCom Exchange, Fellowship Hall
7:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

THURSDAY
1:00 pm Amity Circle, Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC
6:30 pm Education Mtg, Room 205
7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

SATURDAY
8 am Leadership/Engagement Retreat, offsite

NEXT SUNDAY
8:45 am Traditional Worship Service
10:00 am Stained Glass Class
11:00 am Contemporary Worship Service

COMING UP AT RUMC

Mon, Nov 16: A Praying Life, 4:30 pm
Wed, Nov 18: Wednesday Dinner and Movie, 5:30 pm; Choir Reh, 6:30 pm; Handbell Reh, 7:30 pm
Fri, Nov. 20: Youth Progressive Dinner, 6 pm; Hasenpfeffer Night, 6:30 pm.
Sat, Nov 21: Church Cleanup raindate, 8 am
Sun, Nov 22: Hand2Hand Gift Tags Available; Sunday Worship, 8:45 & 11 am; Stained Glass Group, 10 am; Hanging of the Greens, 12:15 pm
Thu, Nov 26: **THANKSGIVING**, Office Closed
Fri, Nov 27: Office Closed
Sun, Nov 29: Sunday Worship 8:45 & 11 am; Advent Study, 10 am
Mon, Nov 30: Zentangle Class, 9:30 am; A Praying Life, 4:30 pm

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, please pick them up on your way out.

Youth Progressive Dinner For children/youth and families are invited to a Progressive Dinner on Friday, November 20, beginning at 6 pm. We will be moving from room to room throughout the church enjoying an appetizer, main course and dessert while we play some games and enjoy some fellowship. **RSVP to Abby by November 10**. We also need volunteers to lead a room.

Advent Study, *Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes* by Cynthia Campbell with illustrations by Kevin Burns; starting November 29 for 4 Sundays, 10 am in Fellowship Hall. Book cost is $10 and will be available for sale in the worship entrance on November 15 and 22. Chapters are short; print is large.

Dinner and a Movie You're invited to dinner of sub sandwiches, chips and dessert 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*.

Hasenpfeffer Night You are invited to play Hasenpfeffer on Friday, November 20, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a snack to share, beverages are provided. If you would like to learn, we can teach you to play.

Hanging of the Greens will be on Sunday, November 22, after the second service. This is when we decorate the church building for Advent/Christmas. Many hands make light work, so plan to come back or stay after the second service to help out. We don't have planned activities for children, but upper elementary and older can help out, too. Hope to see you there!

Christmas Caroling at Story Point on Sunday, December 6, at 3 pm. Please contact the church office or Pastor Anna if you are interested in joining in.

Finance Update through November 1
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:	$396,868.00	received in 2026
Year to Date Received:	$356,362.05	$60,449.22

Bread Pan: UMCOR: $372.09

Weekly Attendance	8:45 am/online	11 am/online
October 25	99/12	58/4
November 1	98/10	46/2

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

PRAYER CONCERNS – November 8, 2026

New Prayer Concerns

Steve Marsh's brain tumor biopsy shows it's brain cancer. The doctors, Steve and his wife, Terri, are discussing potential treatment Friend of Lee Aldrich.

Barb Coleman diagnosed with skin cancer. Friend of Lee Aldrich.

Nancy Hinton is recovering from reverse shoulder replacement on Friday. Prayers for healing and recovery for Nancy.

Prayer Updates

Diane Griffiths is back at StoryPoint and doing better. Thank you for all your prayers.

Dorris Tekiele is doing well after hand surgery on Thursday to put pins in her hand.

Doug DeVries had surgery to remove his gall bladder, but the surgeon was not able to remove the tumor on his bile duct. There is evidence of the tumor spreading into the abdominal cavity. Doctors are awaiting the results of the biopsy of the tumor to determine the next steps in treatment. Please keep his wife, Vicki, in your prayers as well.

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 15

Prayer / Scripture:
8:45 am: Diana Stevers, Prayer; Chip Stevers, Scripture
11:00 am: Val Northcutt, Prayer; Brandon Teunissen, Scripture

Greeters:
8:45 am: Bill & Ann MacDhubhain
11:00 am: Julie Roach

Ushers:
8:45 am: Dave & Becky Fox
11:00 am: Michelle Palma, Julie Wendtland

Trustee Open/Close: Mark Self

Today's Bread Pan: North Kent Connect (NKC) is a food and clothing bank in Rockford covering the whole northern part of Kent County. NKC is a resource to receive food, housing assistance, job services, and much more. Each month, NKC serves over 300 clients, 160 Senior Meals, and 150 Senior Pantry Food Boxes. In the last 10 months, NKC has given out 400 holiday food baskets, 400 personal care baskets, 113 gas cards, 58 rent/mortgage payment assistance, and 63 utilities assistance provided. We make their work possible! Please give generously.

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