# April 21, 2024

"This I Believe" Series

**Welcome to our worship service!** Please silence your cell phone; covered beverages are allowed in the Sanctuary. Congregational responses are in bold print \*Those who are able, please stand.

#### 8:45 Service

GREETING / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Aria in F

G. F. Handel

\*OPENING HYMN The Day of Resurrection (303)

PRAYER/APOSTLES' CREED (881)

Motu Johnston

\*GLORY TO THE FATHER (70)

**OFFERING** 

BREAD PAN: Native American Sunday

MUSIC: Trio

Josef Rheinberger

\*DOXOLOGY (95)

\*HYMN Trust and Obey (467)

SCRIPTURE

Pete Darling

1 John 1:5-10; Isaiah 43:25 (Pew Bible pgs. 1110; 659)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Nathan Wolford

MESSAGE "This I Believe – Forgiveness"

Pastor Anna Moon ASP

\*CLOSING HYMN Nothing but the Blood (362)

\*BLEST BE THE TIE / SEND US INTO THE WORLD / AMEN

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Chromatic Fugue

Johann Pachelbel

## 11:00 Service

**GREETING / PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*OPENING SONGS

PRAYER / APOSTLES' CREED (881)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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

OFFERING/BREAD PAN: Native American Sunday

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MESSAGE "This I Believe – Forgiveness"

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CLOSING SONG / SENDING RESPONSE

\*BENEDICTION

**†JAMS (Jesus and Me Sunday)** is 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

10 am Stained Glass Group, Fellowship Hall (last one)

11 am Contemporary worship service

#### **TUESDAY**

10 am & 6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

6:30 pm Finance Meeting, Room 205

7 pm Garden Club Meeting, Fellowship Hall

## WEDNESDAY

10 am Worship Design, Room 205 12:45 pm Early Release Hangout, TWC

6:30 pm Hand Bell rehearsal 7:30 pm Choir rehearsal

#### **THURSDAY**

5 pm Girl Scouts Open House, Fellowship Hall

6 pm Safety Team Meeting, Room 205

6:30 pm Tai Chi, TWC

7 pm AA Meeting, Wesley Room

## **FRIDAY**

ASP Lunch Setup

6 pm Piano Recital, Sanctuary

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

8:45 am Traditional worship service
11 am Contemporary worship service

11:30 am ASP Lunch/Cake Auction, Fellowship Hall

Appalachia Service Project Lunch/Silent Auction The Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Mission Team will have its annual fundraiser next Sunday, beginning at 11:30 am. Join us for lunch of various homemade soups and salads, and bid on your favorite cakes and/or dessert items. Cakes/desserts will be judged on various themes. See the Coming up this Week emails or the website for more info.

Parents of Children Birth-3 Years Old: We have a Nursery suited for children birth to 3 years old. The Nursery is staffed with trained volunteers during the 11:00 service; it is not staffed at the 8:45 service, but parents are free to use it. There is a TV so you can watch the service.

**Today's Bread Pan: Native American Sunday -** Your offering will help Native Americans attending United Methodist and other approved seminaries, receive scholarships. Across the United States, urban ministries reach out to Native Americans and others.

# **Sermon Notes**

# Where to find

Church Information rockfordumc.org
Get church news, service times, fellowship, missions and more

Monthly Schedule rockfordumc.org/calendar See what's going on at RUMC this month

Live Worship/Virtual Bulletin/Attendance rockfordumc.org/live 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/christian-education Find a ministry right for you and your family

Newsletter rockfordumc.org/newsletter
Sign up for prayer requests, weekly updates or the monthly newsletter

# **Announcements & Upcoming Events**

**50+ Potluck** Join us on Thursday, May 2, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. This month's speaker is Darlene Topp who will speak about her trip to Australia. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass, beverages will be provided. Be sure to arrive by 11:45 in order to set your place and greet your friends.

**Movie Night** Join us on Saturday, May 4, at 5 pm to watch *Toy Story 4*. This event is for all ages! Popcorn and beverages will be served. Pastor Anna will be using this movie to illustrate her message, "At the Movies—Forky's Story," during the May 5 worship services. We can advertise the movie's title inside the church, but licensing rules prohibit us from mentioning the title in advertising outside of the church. Please help us get the word out what movie we will be watching by inviting your family, friends and neighbors.

**All Church Cleanup** Plan to join us in Sat, May 11, at 8 am to help with the cleanup of the church grounds and some special projects the Trustees have planned for the day. Bring your own tools and gloves and be ready to pitch in. We will work until all is done.

Attention college students and parents! If you, or your student, will be graduating in 2024 we would love to hear about it. We will be honoring our grads and handing out scholarships at an upcoming Sunday and would like to include you. Please let us know what college you attended, what degree(s) you have earned, and what your future plans are, if any.

**Baptism, New Membership or Renewing Membership** Anyone who would like to be baptized, become a member of the church or renew their membership, please contact Pastor Anna or the church office.

**Women's Retreat** Have you signed up yet? Registration ends on May 1! The Women's Retreat is on Saturday, May 18, from 8:45 am - 1:15 pm. Cost is \$30/person. Register at rockfordumc.org/womens-retreat.

## Finance Update through April 14, 2024

You are encouraged to give either through US mail or via the website <a href="rockfordumc.org/online-giving">rockfordumc.org/online-giving</a>. Thank you for your continued support!

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Gifts & Offerings	<b>Operating Fund</b>	<b>Building Needs</b>
Year to Date Needed: Year to Date Received:	\$129,225.00 \$115,868.97	\$21,345.00 \$22,360.50
Bread Pan: North Kent Connect-\$337.24 (3 week total - \$1,158.99)		
Weekly Attendance April 7 April 14	8:45 am/online 92/21 110/9	11 am/online 43/2 45/1

#### PRAYER CONCERNS - April 21, 2024

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

# **New Prayer Concerns**

**Matt Copping** will be going in for surgery for a broken leg and ankle on Monday, April 22. Prayers for wisdom for the doctor and his team, along with healing and patience for the patient would be appreciated. Son of Chris & Lynette Copping

#### From Jim Bird:

**Cousin Chuck Burch** who lost his sister and his wife, Patty, within weeks. Prayers for the Lord's peace & comfort for this family

Friend Sara who lost her father, Darryl, on Easter

**Cousin Nathan**, has completed his first round of treatments in his battle with stage 4 brain cancer. He still has a long way to go and has younger children at home

**Friend Donna**, has been battling leukemia, but has come out of remission. She is now on a ventilator and her family is having to make end-of-life decisions. Prayers for Donna, her family and friends.

# **Continued Prayer Concerns**

**Rich Bakita** is undergoing rehab in order to become strong enough to fly home on April 29 after wintering in Florida

**Mark Hinton** is recovering from hip replacement surgery and insertion of a rod in his femur. He is doing well and will be undergoing PT and OT for the next few months. He thanks everyone for the prayers. Son of Nancy Hinton

Shane Hall is home from the hospital, Kim Vitacco's nephew

# **Continuing Prayer Concerns**

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Gayle Penrod, Amy Knust, Mary Ann Seymour, Wendy Helbling, Leslie Cook, Mary Johnson, Peggy Berta, Lynne Williams and Bruce Preston.

# **Serving Next Week:**

Prayer /Scripture:

8:45: Jackie Decker - Prayer/Scripture

11:00 Michelle Palma - Scripture

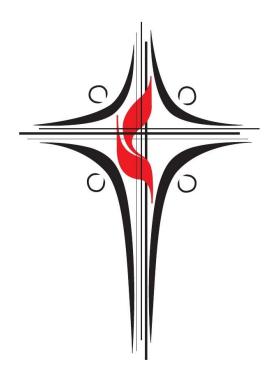
Greeters:

8:45: Steve/Jackie Decker

11:00: Julie Roach

Ushers: 8:45: 11:00: Nursery:

11:00: Motu Johnston, Tom Johnston



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