

**Ministers:**  
**People of Rockford UMC**  
**Pastor:** Bill Halter  
**Youth Leader:** Nathan Rupp  
**Worship Leader:**  
 Nathan Rupp/Jenilee Bransteter



## Sunday, December 10, 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent

8:30am & 10:30am Services  
 visit [www.rumcoh.org](http://www.rumcoh.org)



**Message**  
**“Playing the Villain”**

### ROCKFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

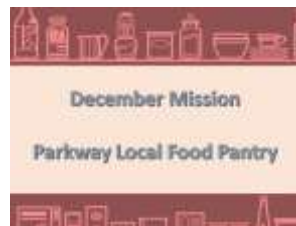
*... building ministry with children, youth and families so that our community may flourish.*

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**Scripture Reading**  
**Matthew 2:1-8**

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Countdown**  
**Welcome/Announcements/Greeting**  
**8:30am Prelude**  
**Centering- Break Through Prayer**  
**Advent Candle Lighting**  
**8:30am Song**  
**Kids’ Corner with Nathan Rupp**  
**Song**  
**Scripture Reading**  
**8:30am Special Music**  
**Message**  
**Time of Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**  
**Song**  
**Benediction**



#### BUILDING TEAM

Next Meeting: TBD  
 In the Conference Room

Our motto:  
**Celebrating the Past;**  
**Building the Future**  
 Watch for more details.  
 Things are moving right along.



#### Building Team

Kathy Bransteter	Matt Fisher	Randy Linn
Matt Suzuki	Casey Nuttle	Kara Ransbottom
Machell Price	Chad Ransbottom	Nathan Rupp
Dick Sherrick	John Butler	Tina Heitkamp
		Pastor Bill

### When You Pray, Please Remember Those in Nursing Homes and Home Bound

Marcia Winscott  
 Lucille Zizelman  
 Marti Lentz

Barb Williams  
 Lois Powell

#### Prayers For Our Community

Lori Waltz	Dave Sheets
Susann Gurley	Ryan, unspoken
Jennifer Miller	Charlene Lutz
Alex Tisdale	Bob Bollenbacher
John & Carol Havill	Thomas Snell
Sandy Courtney	Linda Hart
Betty Bollenbacher	Jenn & Tim Hollinger
Jolene Burke	Travis Anderson
Kevin Browning	Barb Sidenbender
Chad Pommert, brother of Karen Shinn	Vicki Shell
Doug Bolenbaugh	Marti Lentz
Dan Henkle	Karen Shinn
Pastor Bill & Sharon Halter	Dick Sherrick
Those with cancer: Christy, Larry, Louie	Bea Salway
Nancy Valentine	Kids’ Club Ministry
Gloria Mueni, sponsored child	Denise Long
Esther Zizelman	Barry Harner, Husband of Sheryl
Mike and Linda Henkle	Dean & Sandy Ulrey
Dick McCullough	Jean Baltzell
Nancy Clouse	Erica Sheets
Misty Bolenbaugh	Ron Bikacsan
Chip Steffy	Dick Wolford
Hallie Salway	Nancy Leighner
John Thomas, his daughter Diane and her husband Keith	
Paula Linn	Phyllis Etsler
Grieving family of Lucille Zizelman	Terry Hellworth
Grieving family of Mark Dailey	

#### Military Personnel with RUMC Connection

Kyle Zizelman	Garth Louth	Casey Louth
Carter Morse	Isaiah Bretz	Mason Baxter
Brandon Ullom		

**BEING NEIGHBORLY**



Our Current Newsletter is posted online

[www.rumcoh.org](http://www.rumcoh.org)

Upper Room devotionals for Jan./Feb. are also available at door #2 in the outside mailbox.

Next Newsletter deadline: Monday, Dec. 18

**Prayer Contact Team Members**

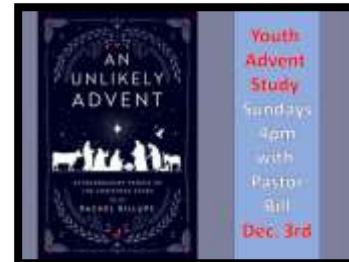
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Misty Bolenbaugh, Diane Sheets, Kara Fisher, Lucille Zizelman, Jean Henkle, Kelly Twigg, and Kara Ransbottom.



Donations Needed  
12  
Coffee Cakes

Sign-up in the café



**Advent Study led by Pastor Bill**

**“An Unlikely Advent”** book by Rachel Billups

Luke 1:11-18 “What if I Missed it?”

Matthew 2:1-8 “Playing the Villain”

Matthew 2:9-12 “A Curious People”

Luke 2:8-20 “When God Shows Up”

**Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24 @ 7pm**

Luke 2:8-20 “A Pondering Mother”

**You Choose:**

Mondays at 2:30pm: Dec. 11, 18

Wednesdays at 6pm: Dec. 13, 20

Youth Study- Sundays 4pm: Dec. 10 ,17 +Wed. Dec. 20

**Activities For The Week**

**Sun. Dec. 10 -2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

-Hospitality: Hopi Indians

-Youth Group 4pm –Advent Study #2

**Mon. –No Chair Yoga- resume Jan. 15th**

-Advent Study #3 @ 2:30pm conference room

-Dartball Game Hm vs. Mt. Carmel 7:30pm

**Tues. –No Trustees Meeting**

**Wed. –Kids’ Club 3:30-5pm**

-Helping Hands Thrift Store 4-7pm

-Drive-Thru FIVE02 Dinner 4:30-6pm

-Advent Study #3 @ 6pm

-Youth Small Group 6pm

**Thurs. –Sisters In Grace 10am**

-Staff Parish Relations Meet 7pm

**Sat. –Parkway Recycling Day 8-12pm**

-Helping Hands Thrift Store 10-1pm

**Sun. Dec. 17 -3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

-Hospitality: Youth

-Youth Group 4pm –Advent Study #3

Sunday, December 3, 2023

**Attendance:** 8:30am Service 50  
10:30am Service 75

**Wednesday Meal Dec. 6** 224  
Donations collected \$316.00

**Sunday Morning offering & Online giving** \$5860.75

**Money Counters:** Karla Butler & Karen Sapp



**Praises To God For...** donations given to the Food Pantry for the Thanksgiving Meal boxes, those who decorate our church so beautifully, this unlikely advent, our loving church family, the opportunity to feed those in need...

*Together*  
on Christmas

A Community Meal in Celebration of Christ's Birth

Free Christmas Day Dinner  
Rockford Community Building  
December 25, 2023  
10:30am-1pm