

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



## Sunday, January 7, 2024

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



### Message "What's New?"

## ROCKFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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### Scripture Reading Philippians 2:1-11

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Countdown

Welcome/Announcements/Greeting

8:30am Prelude

Centering- Break Through Prayer

Song

Scripture Reading

Message

8:30am Song

Time of Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Song

Benediction



### BUILDING TEAM

Next Meeting: Sat. Jan. 13 at 8am  
 In the Conference Room

Our motto:  
 Celebrating the Past;  
 Building the Future



### 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  
 Lois Powell  
 Pauline Steiner

Barb Williams  
 Marti Lentz

### 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
Nancy Leighner	Paula Linn
John Thomas, his daughter Diane and her husband Keith	
Phyllis Etsler	Terry Hellworth
Ross Smith and group	Denny Salway
Robert Linn of Celina, Randy's brother	Barb Pedroza
Grieving family of Phil Thompson	Kelly Schott
Grieving family of Joan Fox	

### 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, Jan. 22

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

Drive -thru ONLY

MENU

Wednesday  
4:30-6:00pm

Ham & Beans  
Corn Bread  
Fried Bologna  
Sandwich  
Fruit

Wednesday  
Jan. 10

Donations  
Needed

9

9X13 Pans  
Of  
Corn Bread



**Activities For The Week**

- Sun. Jan. 7 –Holy Communion Served  
-8:30am & 10:30am Services  
-Hospitality: Youth
- Mon. –No Chair Yoga  
-Dartball Game 7:30pm @ Schumm
- Tues. –Staff Meeting 11am  
-Trustees Meeting 7pm
- Wed. –Kids’ Club 3:30-5pm  
-Helping Hands Thrift Store 4-7pm  
-FIVE02 Community Drive-Thru Meal 4:30-6pm  
-Pastor’s Study 6pm  
-Youth Small Group 6pm
- Sat. –Building Team Meeting 8am  
-Helping Hands Thrift Store 10-1pm
- Sun. Jan. 14 –Human Relations Day Special Offering Sunday  
-8:30am & 10:30am Services  
-Hospitality: Open  
-Girls Night Out 2.0 BUNCO! @ 2pm

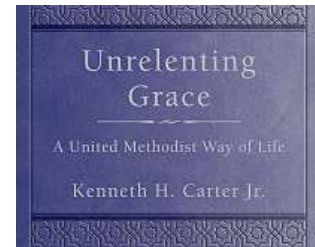
**Sunday, December 31, 2023**

<b>Attendance:</b>	8:30am Service	<b>50</b>
	10:30am Service	<b>57</b>
<b>Wednesday Meal Last Week Jan. 3</b>		<b>174</b>
<b>Offerings in service and on line</b>		<b>3603.95</b>
<b>Money Counters: Karen Nuttle &amp; Dee VanTilburg</b>		



**Praises To God For...** those who have the gift of writing poems to brighten our day, friends who give their time and energy to help others, RUMC, all those who supported Together On Christmas, the extra help with Helping Hands and the Food Pantry, Pastor Bill’s sermons, those who prepared the music services for Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

**UNRELENTING GRACE**  
**Pastor’s Study –**  
**January Wednesdays 6pm**



**A way of life: embracing grace, seeking holiness, building connections.**

United Methodist people long to love God and serve their neighbors. *Unrelenting Grace* by Bishop Ken Carter shows us how to come together and embrace grace, seek holiness, and build meaningful connections promoting strength and healing. *Unrelenting Grace* evokes insights and courage to overcome feelings of isolation, loneliness, and alienation.

The book is an inspiring and practical resource for United Methodists who want to move forward with confidence and hope. As we wrestle with the effects of the pandemic, social disruption, and conflicts, *Unrelenting Grace* offers guidance for stepping into the future as individuals and as communities of faith.

Ken Carter reminds us of our core values as United Methodists, prompting readers to rediscover, redefine, and reclaim the power of grace, holiness, and connection. We see afresh ways to bridge the gap between faith and life, and rediscover deep connections of unity and love.