

Ministers: The People of Rockford UMC
Pastor: Thurlow 'Chip' Steffy
Youth Leader: Nathan Rupp
Worship Leaders: Nathan Rupp /Jenilee Bransteter

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 19, 2021

Worship 8:30am & 10:30am

LIVE streaming 8:30am

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Message:

'A Prayer for God to Keep Joy in our Hearts'

ROCKFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Scripture Readings

1 John 3:8b, Luke 2:8-14

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

Marcia Winscott
Joe Fisher
Vernon Kuhn

Barb Williams
Dick Figley

Prayers For Our Community

Don & Linda Hays
Norm Pankop
Sandy Ulrey
Charlene Lutz
Connie Sapp
Elle Long
John & Carol Havill
Sam and Lucille Zizelman
Mike and Linda Henkle
Joy Gamble Koch
Barry Harner
Kersten Archer
Tom Stephenson
Leslie Frederick
Michelle Ransbottom
Dean Ulrey

Alex Tisdale
Bob Ransbottom
Marcia Thompson
Linda Hart
Marti Lentz
Renee Dull
Susann Gurley
Kathy Shrider
Dudley Shrider
Dick Wolford
'Tyke' Black
Ben Welborn

Pastor Bill Thomas & his wife
Bailey Parris
Braxton Lutz
Kevin Browning

Grieving family of Cindy Houston, Barb Pedroza's sister
Grieving family of Pat Frysinger Ed Long
Tom Miller, Dean Ulrey's Brother-in-law Doug Bolenbaugh
Family of Diane Miller, friend of Misty Bolenbaugh
Family of Phyllis (Acheson) Lehman Kay Thomas
Family of Turner Swartz, Nathan's friend

Military Personnel with RUMC Connections

Matt Billeter
Sierra Williams

Kyle Zizelman

Casey Louth
Garth Louth

RUMC College Students

Abi Browning Tayzia Jo Havill Tessa Thatcher
Bailey Strickler Austin Habegger Treya Conn

*Praises To God For...*the work of the decorating team who made the church look so festive, the beautiful sanctuary that allowed for a peaceful Prayer Walk experience, the power of prayer, the grace shown in tough times.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Countdown

Welcome/Announcements

8:30 Prelude/10:30 Video

Advent Candle Lighting

Songs

Kids' Corner with Nathan Rupp

Time of Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Video

Scripture Reading

Message

Song

Blessing

Closing

Prayer Contact Team Members

Ann Hileman, Misty Bolenbaugh, Diane Sheets,
Karen Nuttle, Tami Suzuki, Kara Fisher, Lucille Zizelman,
Jean Henkle, Kristen McDorman, Kathy Fisher, Tenna
Browning, Kelly Twigg, Barb Pedroza, Kara Ransbottom, Jill
Yoder, Machell Price.

CRISIS CARE

If you know of anyone in need, please contact Ann Hileman,
Karen Sapp, Pastor Chip, Casey Nuttle, or Dan Henkle.

BUILDING TEAM UPDATE

Our new 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 Chip

BEING NEIGHBORLY

December

Birthdays

- 19-Kevin Ross
- 20-Gavin Shindeldecker
- 26- Jacob Haver
- 26- Amanda Peel
- 27- Megan Fisher
- 27- Morgan Fisher
- 27- Alicia Miller



Anniversaries

None until January

December Newsletter is posted online

www.rumcoh.org

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

Come Worship With Us

Christmas Eve Worship
 Friday, Dec. 24
 7pm Family Service
 10pm Candle Light Service

Sun. Dec. 26 –On-line Worship ONLY
www.rumcoh.org

Sun. Jan. 2 –One Service at 10:15am
 9:30am Sunday School
 No Holy Communion

Kids' Club
memory verse this week:

For the Son of Man came
 to seek and to save the lost.
 Luke 19:10

United Methodist Women
 are
 Spreading Christmas joy
 With their Cheer Boxes.
 Thank You for helping!

Together on Christmas info:

Wednesday December 22nd

6:30pm at church for anyone who is helping to move items to the Community Building.

7:00pm at the Community Building for those who will help set the tables in place decorate the room and set the tables for the meal. Probably will be done by 8:30pm
 Questions? Ask Kara Fisher or Karla Butler.



ESCAPE -- Have you ever wanted to escape?? Sometimes the hustle and bustle of life can wear you out. Come join us for a few hours. GNO will be Dec. 19th at the parsonage at 5:00.

We will be reading the Christmas story from Matthew and Luke in a new way. Come find out how that can happen. As always there will be food and fellowship. Hope to see you Sunday Dec. 19th.

THANK YOU:

To our Church Family,
 Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers and well wishes during my surgery and recovery. –Gale Habegger

Card Shower



Ed Long
 225 West Walnut St.
 Rockford, OH 45882

Marcia Thompson
 108 West First St.
 Rockford, OH 45882

Kay Thomas
 103 Providence Ct.
 Carrollton, GA 30116

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Sanctuary Attendance: 8:30am Service 55
 10:30am Service 42

Online views last week: 187

Sunday Morning and online offering: \$3845.90

Money Counters: Karla Butler & Ann Hileman

Activities For The Week

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| Today | –Fourth Sunday in Advent |
| | -Hospitality: |
| | -Worship at Divine-Pending |
| | -Rockford Belle Comm. Christmas Concert 3pm |
| | -Youth Group 4pm |
| | -Girls Night Out – “Escape” 5pm |
| Mon. | -January Newsletter Deadline |
| | -No Dartball- bye |
| Tues. | -Admin. Board Meeting |
| Wed. | –Help Needed: Set up for Together On Christmas |
| Thurs. | –No Sisters In Grace Study |
| Fri. | -Christmas Eve Services |
| | 7pm Family Service |
| | 10pm Candle Light Service |
| Sat. | - Together On Christmas Dinner 10:30am-1pm |
| Next Sun. | -Dec. 26 Online Worship ONLY www.rumcoh.org |

Upcoming Activities Planned

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| Jan. 2 | -One Service at 10:15am, 9:30am Sunday School |
| Jan . 9 | -Both 8:30am & 10:30am Services, Sunday School |