# SUGGESTIONS FOR BIBLICAL AND/OR CULTURAL TOPICS

Please share your Biblical and/or Cultural Topics to be address in 2020

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2.	(Please use a "Connect Card" to share	
3.	your suggestions. Thanks in advance.	.)

# Santa Shop

Saturday, December 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m in the Social room. Gifts will again be FREE of charge to every child with a limit of 10 gifts per child, with all gifts over 10 being \$1.00 per gift. All children are invited to come and shop. Forms are available on the table near the mailboxes. The

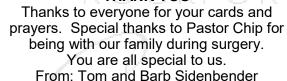
children will have their picture taken with Santa and receive one 4 x 6 print free of charge.

A sign-up sheet will be passed for volunteers. This year we are also asking for volunteers to help set up on Friday evening. Contact person: Nita Habegger at 419-495-2098 or 419-203-5424.

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December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a Christmas themed prayer walk in the sanctuary open to anyone in the community from 6-9pm. It will be put on by the youth of our church so come and be blessed and have a good start to your Christmas season. It will take approx. 10min. to walk through. Meet in the Café to begin.

#### THANK YOU



# BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS Kids' Sunday School Classes

December 22 the kids will be celebrating Jesus. We are asking anyone that would like to bring a gift of canned meat, canned fruit, tomato paste/juice/sauce, hearty soups,



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

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Joe Fisher	Jerry Schaad
Dick Figley	Barb Williams
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## **Prayers of Concern**

Barry Harner	RUMC Youth Ministry
Family of Traci Strete Guern	
'Tyke' Black	Mike and Linda Henkle
Our church	Anne Esselstein
Henderson Settlement	Denise Long
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Missionary Bryan Schwartz	Our country Kersten Archer
Pat Frysinger	
Karen Sapp	Randy McDormaN
Chuck Eberle	Kids' Club
Madison Joseph	Terrie Northcutt
Safety of grandchildren	Dudley Shrider
Debbie and Mike	Elle Long
Charles Stephens N	Marvin & Darlene Shindeldecker
Kids who run away from hon	ne Paula Linn
T.J. Figley	Grandchildren near and far
Washington DC folks	journey to becoming a teacher
Safe travels	recent mother, Paige
Marti Lentz	Paula Michael
Susann Gurley	Family of Joanne Bash
Tom Sidenbender	Betty Bollenbacher
The family of Mona Thomps	
The family of Pastor Mark R	
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# **Military Personnel with RUMC Connections**

Michael Black, Jr.	Shaun Hunter
Casey Louth	Matt Billeter
Garth Louth	Sierra Williams
Kent Ransbottom, National Guard.	Kyle Zizelman

## **RUMC College Students**

Reghan Waltmire	Tessa Thatcher	Griffen Waltmire
Elizabeth Leighner	Bailey Strickler	Austin Habegger

## Praises To God For...

prayers, cards and visits, and getting to come home from the hospital, Bibles to share, our blessings...

#### **BUILDING TEAM UPDATE**

The next regular meeting of the Building Team will be December 17, 2019, at 6:00 pm. Updates on Building Team progress are also included in the Administrative Board minutes in the church monthly newsletter.

## **Building Team**

Kathy Bransteter	Matt Fisher	Randy Linn	
Matt Suzuki	Casey Nuttle	Kara Ransbottom	
Machell Price	Chad Ransbottom	Nathan Rupp	
Dick Sherrick	Pastor Chip	• •	
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## **Prayer Contact Team Members**

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

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#### **CRISIS CARE**

Crisis Care is available to folks in need of emergency assistance. If you know of anyone in need, please contact Pastor Chip, Casey Nuttle, Dan Henkle, Ann Hileman, or Karen Sapp.

#### BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

God of our hearts,
May your Holy Spirit continue
to awaken us to new possibilities,
new opportunities,
new courage and new hope.
May all who gather here be empowered
to proclaim the good news
of Jesus' life-changing love.
May your Spirit transform and use us boldly,
without limits, to reach and make new disciples
for Jesus Christ and bless people everywhere.
Amen.

**December 2019 NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR**Will be available with online access via the church website: www.rumcoh.org

Our mission is—to build community by knowing Christ, growing in Christ and going out to share Christ.

# **Welcoming our Guests**

If you are a guest in our church, please pick up a guest's sack in Café 1031. These sacks contain lots of goodies and information about our church.

Hearing assistance is available. Please speak with an usher.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK		
Today:	Bibles For Believers Hospitality	
Wednesday:	No Church activities to night	
Thursday:	Church Office is Closed	
	Happy Thanksgiving	
Next Sunday:	Mission Hospitality	

#### **Ushers serving today:**

8:30a—Dan Henkle, Doug Huffman, Jerry Frederick, Dean Ulrey

10:30a—Steve Fisher, Matt Suzuki, Randy Habegger

Nursery volunteers: Toni Fisher and Amanda Peel.

**November Mission Focus:** House of Refuge

**Flowers** are given in honor of Thanksgiving by Richard and Susan Sherrick.

#### **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

<u>"Huddle"</u> - Matt Fisher and Ryan Twigg
<u>Wednesday Bible Study</u> in the Conference Room at 6:15pm.
<u>Girls Night Out:</u> 3rd Sunday of the month. (could vary)
<u>Sisters In Grace:</u> Bible Study

## **Girls Night Out**

Sunday, Dec. 8 from 12-5pm at the parsonage with guest Bonnie Schimmoeller, potluck, fun and crafting. All kinds of activities include making fabric tree ornaments, decoupage trees, rustic triangle trees, and button tree ornaments. If you choose to paint with Bonnie bring \$20. Come join the fun.

#### Last Week November 17, 2019

General Offering received: \$2530.55

Attendance: 8:30 Service = 59 10:30 Service = 67

#### **BEING NEIGHBORLY**

NO FIVE02 Community Dinner THIS WEEK

#### **Christmas Season Open House**

Friday, December 27th at 3pm. Everyone is Welcome to the parsonage Open House.

#### Women: Annual Christmas Party

#### **Rockford Bicentennial Grand Celebration**

HOWL 2GO by Howl at the Moon Dueling Pianos is Tuesday, December 31, 2019 at 7:30pm with appetizers, 2 drink tickets, fireworks, dueling pianos + drummer from 8:30-11:30pm. Tickets available at Village Hall; Single \$40, Couple \$75 More info on the church bulletin board.

No Kids' Club Wednesdays: Nov. 27, Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

No Community Dinner 5:02p Wednesdays:

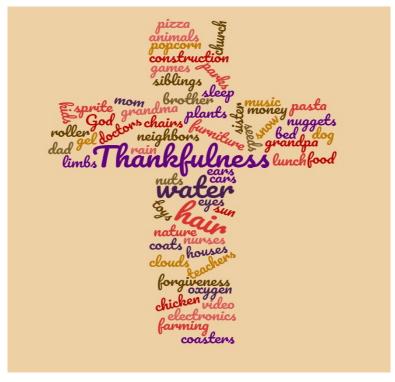
Nov. 27 Dec. 18, 25 Jan. 1

No Choir Wednesdays: Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 18, 25, Jan. 1

# **Upcoming Activities**

Dec. 6 & 7	Christmas Prayer Walk	6-9p
Dec. 7	Santa Shop 10	)-11:30a
Dec. 8	Girls Night Out	12-5p
Dec. 27	Christmas Open House: Parsonage	3:00p

# Ministers: The People of Rockford UMC Pastor: Thurlow 'Chip' Steffy November 24, 2019



#### ROCKFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

#### Welcome!

We are glad to have you here today as we praise God together and celebrate the way God blesses us.

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**Bulletin Cover Word Cloud:** The words forming the cross was created from the Children's Church list of things for which they are thankful.