



November 20, 2016

Prelude Ushering in The Light of Christ...  
A Time to Gather Welcome/Announcements/A Word of Hope!  
The Call to Worship

ONE: By the tender mercy of God, dawn is breaking, light has come.

**ALL: Blessed be the Lord.**

ONE: By the gracious care of our Shepherd, the scattered are gathered, the lost are found.

**ALL: Holy is our God.**

ONE: By the loving reign of the Prince of Peace, the weak are strengthened, the destroyer flees.

**ALL: Gentle is our King.**

A Time to Sing: *Blessed Be the God of Israel*  
*Blessed Be Your Name*

UMH #209  
WS #3002/on screen

A Time to Pray:

**King of glory, as you shine your light into the darkness of our lives, guide our feet in the way of peace; as you shepherd your people, gather the lost and the scattered into the safety of your flock. Reign in our hearts, as you do in the heavens, that we may endure the struggles of this world with patience and fortitude. In the light of your radiant love, we pray. Amen.**

A Time to Pray *Above All* on screen

A Time to Pray For God's People, Church & World  
*Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying,*  
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A Time to Give Offering ... *Let us share generously, in this moment, with our community and our world. Let us give abundantly of what we have been given, that we may meet the needs of neighbors near and far.*

Doxology *Glory Be To The Father* UMH #70

A Time to Listen SCRIPTURE Luke 1:68-79 UMH 208  
Colossians 1:11-20

A Time to Prepare *Let All Things Now Living* TFWS #2008

A Time to Speak *Unite in Thanksgiving* Rev. Patricia Abell

A Time to Respond *We Believe* on screen

A Time to Sing *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH #102



A Time to Go And... Sending Forth with Blessing

\*Choral Response *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* v1

UMH #672

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## We welcome you to worship with us again!

To our guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor's card located in the pews and place it in the offering plate or see the pastor. Join us in the overflow room for fellowship time after the service.

### Calendar of Events at Rockland:

- DEC 1 – Thursday Bible Study 10 am “*Under Wraps*”
- Dec 3 – Hanging the Greens, 10a
- DEC 8 – Thursday Bible Study “Pack A Purse/Bag”
- Dec 11 – Cantata with Saint James
- Dec 18 – Caroling for Homebound Saints with Saint James

✚ The Rockland Thursday Bible Study is collecting items to put into purses or bags. Please help us gather personal items – travel size works best. The Board of Child Care will distribute the purses or bags to homeless teens. Here are some suggestions for items to be included:

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| • Body wash                 | • Hand lotion                                    |
| • Shampoo                   | • Body puffs                                     |
| • Conditioner               | • Simple jewelry such as necklaces and bracelets |
| • Toothpaste                | • Hair bows                                      |
| • Washcloth                 | • Small makeup cases                             |
| • Lip balm                  | • Small wallets                                  |
| • Small packages of tissues |  |

✚ **Pray for those in need:** Family of Gladys Latimer Oliver family, Shirley Massey, Joshua Poe, Ken Dobrovolsky, Lois White, Mamie White, Paul & Ruth Cook, Lydia & Jim Roth, Glenda Teachey, Carol Lucas, Dale Wagner, Liz Wagner, Shane Mayhew, Austin & Mary Twigg, Marilyn Victory, Shirley Gamber, John Klein Sr, Eric & Cindy, Faith, Janae, Lexi, Gene & Jaimie Phelps, Dave Twigg, Bob Dewling, travelers

✚ **Pray for our home-bound:** Jack LeBon, Phil McShane, Leslea & Marvin Musser, Sue Stein, Thelma Stirn





Is a Community that:  
Communicates God's Word,  
Invites Commitment,  
Cares for others and  
Celebrates God's love through witness and service

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*Unite in Thanksgiving*



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