

## We are happy to have you here!

The Lectionary is a group of four verses that Christians all over the world read each week. Here are this week's Lectionary readings:

Reading from the Old Testament: Genesis 18:1-15

Reading from the Psalms: Psalm 116

Reading from the Epistles: Romans 5:1-8

Reading from the Gospels: Matthew 9:35-10:8

**TODAY! Sunday, June 14:** Potluck following worship together with a discussion led by Pastor Tom regarding the future of RUMC.

**Leadership Team Meeting:** Tomorrow, June 15 at 6 pm.

**Stars Among Us:** A Variety Show on **Saturday, June 27** at 7 pm at The Paramount Theatre hosted by Grace Church and The Paramount Theatre. This special benefit for Rutland Neighbors will provide an uplifting, community-centered evening filled with music, inspiration, and the shared joy of giving back. Tickets: Purchase online: (<https://paramountvt.org/event/grace-church-presents-stars-among-us/>) or at The Paramount Theatre Box Office.

**Bible Study.** Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 7 pm via Zoom. Contact the office or Pastor Tom for Zoom link.

Amount needed to keep RUMC going: **\$ 8,000 per month**  
Tithes and offerings for June 7: **\$1,618**

**Make checks payable to RUMC, or scan this code:**



# RUTLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 14, 2026



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Abba, Father*

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Like Abram, God calls us to go into the unknown, trusting that God's promises are true.

**All: Whether we are certain or full of doubts, God is with us.**

Leader: God sends us into the world to journey by faith, believing that God's blessings are greater than anything we might fear.

**All: Whether the path is straight or winding, God is with us.**

Leader: God gathers us today with trusted companions, those who also follow God's call, even when the path is not clear.

**Whether we journey with friends or feel all alone, God is with us.**

Leader: As we gather to worship, we remember that we are God's people, blessed by God to serve a world that is hurting and in desperate need of good news.

**All: Holy and powerful God, form us today as a family of faith, that your blessings might flow out of us and into our world, drawing all people into your promise of abundant life and flourishing. Amen.**

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

*Just As I Am/I Come Broken*

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Heavenly father, we praise you as you open our hearts and minds to your love and power. Let our souls be filled this hour. Filled with the Holy Spirit as we share in song and scripture, claiming your name in faith. May we receive your grace, and honor your wisdom with our lives. Amen.

#### HYMN

*Here I Am to Worship*

W&S 3177

#### SCRIPTURE

Genesis 12:1-4

#### SERMON

Faith Over Fear

#### HYMN

*Be Thou My Vision*

UMH 451

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Oh God of the ages and the now, we come to you in the midst of a journey. We pray for the trust of Abram in the uncertainty that is life. Take these our gifts of gratitude and use them to build relationships, mend the broken and draw the world around us to you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus, Amen.

#### OFFERTORY

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

#### DOXOLOGY

#### PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### HYMN

*Standing on the Promises*

UMH 356

#### BENEDICTION & CLOSING SONG

*Rejoice in the Lord, Always*

Music Director: **Ann Reed**

Joy Choir Accompanist: **Ellen Wener**

Guitar and vocals: **Bill Gibson**

Bells of Joy Director: **Karen James**

Sunday School Coordinator: **Judy Blair**

Videographer: **Carol Wright**

Ushers: **Craig Cota, Diane Sharrow,**

**Carl Wener, Paul Dunbar**