

**ROCKVILLE  
FIRST  
UNITED  
METHODIST  
CHURCH**

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## Highlights &

## focus

MAY 2019

I can't believe it is May, but I'm glad it is here. May is a favorite month because it moves us from cold to hot. By the time May has concluded the leaves will be fully out, the grass is all green, the corn and beans are filling out the fields, and the flowers are blooming. The days are nice and long.

I'm basically a summer person. I like all the seasons, but I love summertime. Shorts and t-shirts are my favorite attire. I'm not one to just be sitting in the shade and enjoying a breeze. Whether I'm working or playing, I like to be out in the weather. Unfortunately, this summer I may have to spend more time sitting than being in the weather. The doctor has already told me to stay off the boat until I am out of the cast. ☹️

It will be close to Labor Day before the cast is off. Fortunately, about July 4<sup>th</sup> I will switch from a standard plaster cast to a plaster walking cast. Then I won't need crutches or the knee scooter anymore. I'm already counting down the days to that time.

We typically go to the mountains of Montana for a week in August to visit friends who spend the summer there. At least a day, or two, my friend Terry and I spend walking the mountains on a trail we have not previously explored. It is awe inspiring to see the mountains that God created and what they behold in the majesty of His creation. It has been so wonderful to watch the mountain goats skip along the sides of sheer cliffs. Seeing the big-horn sheep lying in the green meadows along the still waters of a mountain lake brings Psalm 23 to mind. Standing near a waterfall that roars so loud that nothing else can be heard.

Watching a herd of elk gracefully moving along a narrow trail. And even seeing grizzly bears from a distance, (although last year one was way too close). Sadly, there may not be any hiking this year.

Sometimes we think that all of God's beauty is somewhere else but where we live. We become so accustomed to our surroundings that we miss the beauty that is here too. Our oldest boy, DJ, was at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas twice. Once for an internship and he returned to get his a Master's Degree there. He became very close to a young man that was born in Syria. Kako came to the US when he was 11 years old. They originally located in Reno, NV and Kako lived there until also attending UNLV. All his life was in a desert. DJ and Kristen were married on Memorial Day weekend and DJ wanted Kako to be a groomsman. Kako was flying into Chicago to visit family and then driving here. DJ told him how to get here (this was before direction finders) and stated the scenery from Chicago to the rehearsal in Clinton was as boring as it could get. I will never forget what happened when Kako arrived. He came busting in the door, grinning from ear to ear, jumping up and down, exclaiming "This is so beautiful" over and over. We thought he was talking about the wedding. No, he told us, he said, "This was the most beautiful place I have ever been, green, green, green, everywhere you look it is green! The grass is green. The trees are green. The fields are green. Everywhere you look it is green! I've never seen anything this beautiful!" That gave us a new appreciation for the part of creation that we inhabit.

I think that is the way it is with a lot of things. We see what God is doing in other places or with other people and we think about how great it is in those places. We become so accustomed to the beauty that God places around us that we no longer appreciate or even notice that beauty. God graces us where we live. He blesses us here. We don't have to go other places to see God's beauty. We just have to look around and realize the beauty of His creation, the blessings of His grace, and the glory of His presence are around us no matter where we may be. Take some time and look around at the beauty of God in your life!

Blessings to you all,

**Pastor Jon**

Congratualtions, Aedon!



Pastor Jon presents Aedon King with an "Action Bible" in recognition of Aedon's induction into the Jr. National Honor Society

## PALM SUNDAY AT RFUMC



Easter  
Sunday



## Our Praise Team

*Rockville UMC*

*Walk for Life Volunteers*



# WORSHIP AND PRAY

## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS!

### ***Our Shut-Ins:***

Flo Clark; Betty Lewis; Helen Graham; Imogene Rahn; Wanda Nickle; Phyllis Akers; Diana Lows, Roleen Pickard; Lois McGrannahan



### ***Our World:***

Churches and People of Congo; Veterans dealing with PTSD and Re-Entry; Operation Classroom; Klausmeier family missions; Covered Bridge Cluster; Parke Vermillion Community Pregnancy Center; our schools, community, and government leaders; the children of Parke Co.; emergency personnel; local businesses; Kairos ministry; inmates and staff of Rockville Women's Correctional Center and the Parke Co. Jail; those suffering from mental illness; those having financial difficulties; homeless children and adults; immigrants; refugee; widows; orphans; peace on earth; 1,132 churches and 536 pastors of the Indiana Conference.

### ***Keep in your prayers church family in active U.S. military service:***

Ben Ford, Air Force, Son-in-law of Rob and Shannon Belcher; Sheppard AFB, Texas; Senior Airman Jacob Gregg, son of Guy and Shelly Gregg, Travis Air Force Base, California; Lt. Col. Jason W. Neumann, Florida Army National Guard, son of Linda and Mark Spelbring; Rob Graham, Navy, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, grandson of Helen Graham; Lance Catlin, Marines, grandson of Lenora Douglas.

## FACTS & FIGURES

	Date	Sunday School Attendance	Worship Attendance	Tithes & Offerings
	4/07/19	16	59	\$3,906.50
	4/14/19	16	69	\$2,899.25
	4/21/19	16	79	\$3,891.00
	4/28/19	16	60	\$7,167.12
	<b>April total to date:</b>			<b>\$17,863.87</b>

**Needed monthly to enable the church's ministries: \$12,438**

**2019 Average Worship Attendance: 53**

## LEARN AND GROW

### Want to grow deeper as a Christian?

We currently have three opportunities for adults to learn more about God, the Bible, and how to grow in discipleship: Adult Sunday School (Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.), Sunday Evening Bible Study at 6 p.m. Men's Bible Study (Tuesday mornings at 11 a.m.) and Celebrate Recovery (Thursday nights at 7 p.m.).



**A Christ-centered recovery program for adults struggling to overcome hurts, habits and hang-ups.**

**Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.**

*(Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)*

**Rockville First United Methodist Church**

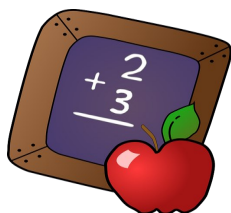
128 N. Market St., Rockville, IN

(1 block north of the courthouse)

**For information, please call (765) 569-5356**

***There IS hope for recovery!***

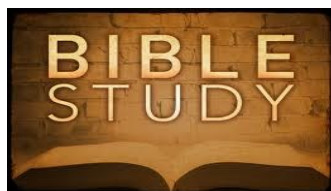
### BUDDY BAGS



The Buddy Bag program is up and running for the 2018-2019 school year. Buddy Bags are distributed to needy children on Fridays to help ensure that they have adequate food over the weekend to be able to return to school on Monday ready to learn. If you would like to volunteer to help pack and/or distribute the Buddy Bags, please contact Larry or Charla Malone.



**Sunday Evening Bible Study  
with  
Pastor Jon Overbey  
6:00 p.m.**



**Men's Bible Study**  
has moved their study time to  
7:00 p.m. every Tuesday evening.



The Hand bell Choir will meet each Monday, in the Chapel from 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. New members always welcome

## AROUND THE CHURCH



The Dine with a Doc ® program is **JUNE 6**, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at The Rockville First United Methodist Church.

Dine with a Doc ® is a **FREE** educational program that welcomes senior citizens to get to know the doctor of the month while enjoying a free meal, courtesy of Rockville Nursing and Rehab.

*For your convenience, the ramp door on the South side of the church will be open allowing easier entry in to the church.* Please **R.S.V.P. to Carole Perry (765-569-2349).**

All senior citizens are welcome (reservations are required), so please invite your friends and neighbors to join you! We hope to see you there!

There will be NO Dine with a Doc program in **MAY**, in honor of NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.



03 Gale Overbey  
03 Laurie Harbison  
06 Carol Keller  
10 Jack Bayler Milligan  
Hagen Wm. Jeffrey



13 Chase Michael Miller  
Susan Harbison  
20 Pat Ballinger  
29 Ray North



01 Bob & Janie Pound  
27 Steve & Elaine Waltz



### Service Circle May Breakfast

The Service Circle May Breakfast is May 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Guest Speaker, Pat Ballinger of "Aunt Pattys".

Hostesses are Louise Norman and Mary Jane Evens .

Please invite a guest, RSVP by May 3, 2019 to Mary Jane Evens 765-739-6210.



**Join Us at NOON May 2, 2019**  
**Parke County Courthouse Lawn**

MAY  
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**National Day of Prayer**  
Public - Hosted by Julie Jane Johnson

## April Administrative Council Meeting notes:

**Parsonage**—The water damage to the parsonage has all been repaired. We have settled with the insurance company and the claim is closed. A rental agreement has been written, reviewed and approved. The parsonage is almost ready to be rented. Talks with a rental agent have been reviewed. There is some cleanup work inside and out that needs to be completed.

**Buildings and grounds**—Quotes were reviewed for the replacement of the two west windows in the Chapel. A vendor was selected and the windows will be replaced late in May. Along with that work, the louvers for the old heating and a/c system will be removed and replaced with white maintenance free materials. We will have the big window at the top of the stairs between the old and new buildings reframed to stop water infiltration.

The stained-glass windows have been inspected by a stained-glass company and are in good shape. The outer protective plexiglass need replaced in the next couple of years. Quotes will be coming in for that work.

The south Sanctuary doors will not open and the stone framing is broken. There is a concern about the integrity of the towers and the brick work.

The Pastor met with architects in Indianapolis on Monday April 29. On May 10 the architects will be at the church to give a free quick look at the church and an idea of a scope and seriousness of the work.

A tuck point company has inspected the bricks. They are preparing recommendations and costs analysis for the Council.

(See Special Meeting notes below about grants and funding)

The Sanctuary roof lost over 100 shingles in the last windstorm. We have started a claim. An inspection and quote was received from Pell's roofing which was submitted to the insurance company along with pictures. We are waiting on the adjuster.

Solar, motion detection LED lights have been installed for the sidewalk and handicap sidewalk and ramp.

The church has been re-keyed. If you have an old key it will no longer work. Check with Aaron or the office to get a new key.

The roof drains for the fellowship hall have been cleaned and the north gutter has been replaced.

**Budget**—The budget is completed. A copy is in this newsletter and additional copies are on the bulletin table in the hall outside the Chapel.

**Special meeting**—A meeting was held with a representative from the Historic Landmarks Grant program. He gave the Council guidance for grants available and application for those grants. The largest is a matching grant and could cover about ½ of the funds needed for the restoration of the bricks, the towers, and the Sanctuary. There is also a grant that may cover architectural costs. There is no guarantee that we will be awarded any of the grants, but we intend to apply for whatever is available.

# Rockville First United Methodist Church 2019 Budget

Budget 19			Budget 19		
<b>Compensation</b>			<b>PROGRAM</b>		
Minister	Wages	\$4,248	Ministry	Nursery	\$250
	Travel	\$2,300		Junior	\$500
	Health Ins	\$0		Congreg Care	\$500
	Pension	\$0		Celebrate Recovery	\$1,200
	Payroll Expenses	\$0		Fellowship Diner	\$1,200
	Continuing Ed	\$200	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,650</b>
	Other	\$500			
	Housing	\$16,000	Education	VBS	\$1,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$23,248</b>		Adult Bible Study	\$600
				Other	\$300
			<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,900</b>
	Secretary	\$12,149	Evangelism	Bibles	\$500
	Custodian	\$6,958		Advertising	\$500
	Music	\$5,522		Other	\$700
	Nursery	\$1,487	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,700</b>
	Other	\$0			
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$26,117</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>Compensation</b>	<b>\$49,365</b>	Worship	CCLI/CVLI Copyright	\$300
				Bulletin covers	\$500
				Other	\$450
				Music	\$300
			<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,550</b>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$8,800</b>
<b>OPERATING EXP</b>			<b>Conference/District</b>		
Utilities			Tithe	Conference	\$9,447
Church	Gas	\$3,500		District	\$1,288
	Elec, water, sewer	\$9,371	Conference	Annual expense	\$0
	Phone & Internet	\$1,547		Special Off	\$0
	Trash	\$950			\$0
	Cleaning supplies	\$750	<b>Total</b>	<b>Conference/District</b>	<b>\$10,735</b>
	Custodial Misc				
	Piano/organ tuning	\$300			
	Insurance	\$8,500			
<b>Parsonage</b>	All Utilities	\$1,300			
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$26,218</b>			
Office	Postage	\$250	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$101,618</b>
	Paper & Print	\$450			
	Offering envelopes	\$300			
	Stewardship mat	\$0			
	Quickbooks	\$500			
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,500</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$27,718</b>			
			Balance		
8 <b>Trustees</b>		<b>\$5,000</b>		Weekly goal	\$1,954.19
				Monthly goal	\$8,468.14



May 23rd & 24th

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please drop off donations at the garage at  
303 Howard Ave. by May 12th  
all proceeds for Celebrate Recovery

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## SERVE AND GIVE

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- Peanut Butter
- Pasta (boxes or bags)
- Pasta sauce (jars or cans)
- Vegetables (cans)

Please bring your donations to the office. Thank you!  
(Please make sure you bring **un-expired** goods, as we can't  
distribute food that is expired.)

*Our Food Pantry is an independent ministry of our church  
benefitting our neighbors in need.*

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### ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEMEBERS 2019

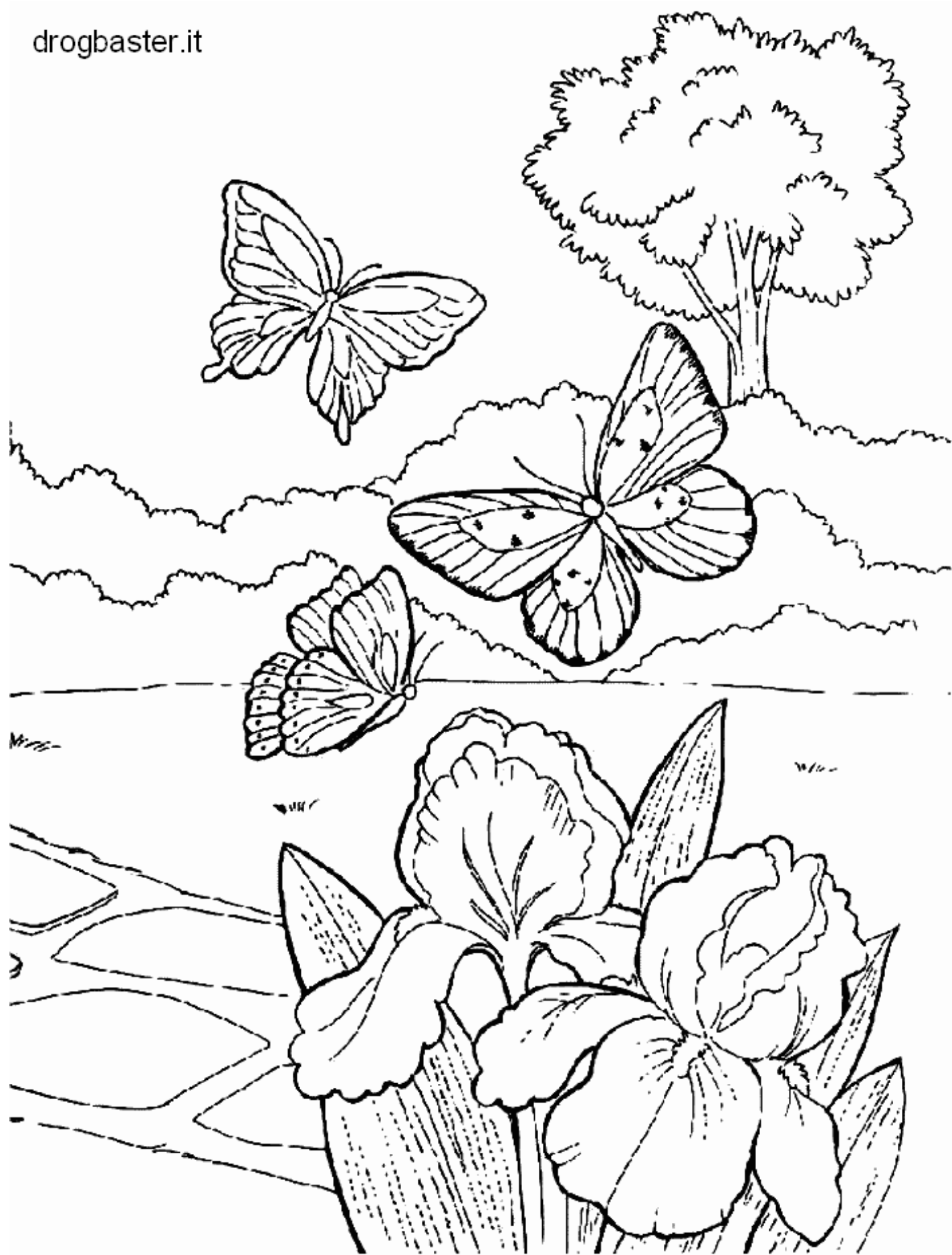
Alex Milligan, Council Chair  
Elaine Waltz, SPRC-Chair  
Aaron Mathis, Trustees Chair  
Rob Belcher, Finance Chair  
Mary Jane Evens, Treasurer, Women's Rep

Randy Randall, Men's Rep  
Merideth McGill, Young Adult Rep  
Pat Ballinger, Lay Leader  
Susan Harbison, Member-At-Large  
Jon Overbey, Pastor



## ***Greeters for May 2019***

5th Lloyd & Sally Zuber  
12th Diana Ruark  
19th Marty & Mary Jane Evens  
26th Merideth McGill



# MAY 2019

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 <b>National Day of Prayer</b> 6 p.m. Buddy Bags 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery	3	4 Abby/Aaron's Wedding 3:00 p.m.
5 10 a.m. Worship Holy Communion 6 p.m. Bible Study	6 7 p.m. Hand bells	7 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study	8 10:00 a.m. Women's Service Circle May Breakfast	9 6 p.m. Buddy Bags 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery	10	11 Martha Holaday 2-8 p.m.
12 10 a.m. Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study	13 7 p.m. Hand bells	14 9 a.m. Men's Breakfast-Benjamins 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study	15 6:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting	16 6 p.m. Buddy Bags 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery	17	18
19 10 a.m. Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study	20 7 p.m. Hand bells	21 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study	22	23 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery	24	25
26 10 a.m. Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study	27 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 7 p.m. Hand bells	28 9 a.m. Men's Breakfast-Benjamins 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study	29	30 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery	31 Fellowship Diner	

# ROCKVILLE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Church Website:  
rockvilleumc.net  
Facebook:  
facebook.com/rockvillefirstumc

## Office Hours:

**M-Th 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**



~Pastor Jon Overbey~

Email: [Jon.overbey@inumc.org](mailto:Jon.overbey@inumc.org)

## SUNDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY

9:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

10:15 a.m. - Children's Church

Rockville First United  
Methodist Church is a  
bridge to help all:

- find the WELCOME  
of Christ,
- learn the WAY of  
Christ, and
- become His  
WITNESSES in our  
world.

