

March 15, 2026

**Welcome!
Fourth Sunday in Lent**

9:30AM

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Chaeun Lee, piano

Call to Worship

*Praise Song

“God of Wonders”

Praise Band

Children’s Moment

Ms. Wendy

*Hymn

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

UMH No. 474

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Special Music

“Seek Ye First”

Lafferty

Rush UMC Choir

*Praise Song

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Praise Band

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Old Testament Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13 (NRSV)

Reader: Peter Fackler

Gospel Lesson

John 9:1-41 (NRSV)

Reader: Peter Fackler

Sermon

Pastor Kyle Roehrig

*Hymn

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

UMH No. 454

Reception of New Members

*Benediction

Yellow/Italicized Print on Screens Indicates All Say Together

*Indicates an invitation for you to stand, in body or in spirit.

Hearing Loop: working in the Sanctuary, set your hearing aids to “hearing loop mode”

Welcome to Rush UMC—We’re Glad You’re here

Are you new or a visitor? Great! You’ll fit right in! Kindly forward your name and contact information our Pastor, kyle.roehrig@rushumc.org. or our Administrative Assistant, office@rushumc.org. There are purple papers in the pew holders to write your information on.

Hearing Loop

The Hearing Loop is working! Set your hearing aids to “hearing loop mode.” If you have questions, please speak to Gary Prok.

Prayer Requests

Health Concerns: Alison, Jason Engh, Bob and Linda Faugh, Buzz and Joan Grimm, Kevin Kinnally, Debra Kostiw, Kris Roehrig, Ray Smith, Joanne Walesmith

Michele Cuatt’s friend, Denise’s mom, broken tailbone and Alzheimer’s, was in the hospital, now in rehab then back to the nursing home
Nancy Miller’s sister, Alice, prayers that this round of chemo is successful, and she gets her appetite to return

Julie Sanderson fell and broke her wrist
Diane Van Lare’s son, Doug, return of cancer
Our President and Government, Our Country, Our World

Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health
PromiseLand Childcare, Children and Staff
Heritage Christian Services Rush Day Hab
Please continue to pray for the children and staff of the Children’s Home, Musa weNkosi.

Zululand Hospice in South Africa

Those serving in the Military: home or abroad
Family members and friends who are homebound or in senior living facilities

Praises

Joanne Walesmith has returned home from rehabilitation, March 11 was her birthday
March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Announcements

UMCOR Sunday Offering

When you give on UMCOR Sunday, March 15, 2026, you help cover the annual operational costs for UMCOR. Your gift allows UMCOR to apply 100% of other donations directly to relief efforts as well as long-term education and support.

Together, we do more. UMCOR provides compassion and relief services to people and nations in crisis. Even now, we have relief workers on the ground all over the world helping people recover from past and recent hurricanes, civil wars, mudslides, floods. This is what we call love in action. Envelopes are on Eagle Island, or you can mail or drop off your donation to the church or give electronically through the church website.

Newsletter Article Deadline

Please submit articles (email preferred) for the March issue of “His Faithful Followers” to Barb Kingsley by Thursday, March 19 at barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org. The newsletter will be distributed on Thursday, March 26.

Sunday Childcare Position

It is with great excitement that the Rush UMC is looking to hire a Sunday Morning Childcare worker for the time during our Sunday Morning Service from 9am to 11am. The position description is posted on our website, and the hourly rate is \$20.00. Please send a resume to office@rushumc.org

Target Pest Control

As a small "Thank You" for our business, Target Pest Control is offering a 10% discount to our congregants on any of their Residential services. Please contact Mike Higgins directly via email at targetpcMike@gmail.com or phone 585-314-1672.

Easter Memorial Plants

To celebrate the Resurrection and remember/honor a loved one, why not order an Easter Plant? Flowering plants will grace our Worship Center with their beauty on Easter Sunday, April 5. The form for ordering “Memorial/In Honor of” plants is on the Eagle Island in the lobby, or you can call the church office at 533-2170. Orders must be placed on or before Wednesday, March 25. If no one answers the phone, please leave a message with your name and phone number and I will return the call when I return to the office or send an email to barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org. The prices are as follows: Lilies, 5+ Blooms: \$9.50; Lilies, 8" pot Doubles: \$19.25; Hydrangeas: 3+ blooms: \$17.25; Hyacinths, 6" pots: \$7.25; Tulips, 6" pots: \$7.25; and Daffodils, 6" pots: \$7.25; The price includes foil pot covers. When you order, please clearly print the information you would like in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. An alternative to a plant is a donation to the Capital Stewardship Fund. Your name and family member(s) being memorialized or honored will be included in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Activities & Meetings

Sunday, March 15 – UMCOR Sunday

- 8:30AM – Adult Study with Michelle Prok
- 8:30AM – Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30AM – Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook
- 9:45AM – One Room Sunday School Class
- 10:45AM – Rush UMC Coffee Hour
- 11:00AM – Lectionary Study with Pastor Kyle; Gospel Lesson for March 22: John 11:1-45

Wednesday, March 18

- 9:00AM – Super Sale preparation
- 9:00AM – Gentle Yoga Class
- 9:15AM – A Meal & More Soup Kitchen
- 1:30PM – Staff Check-in
- 6:00PM – Rush Democratic Committee Meeting
- 6:30PM – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 19

- 1:00PM – Dessert and Lenten Study, “Turning Over Tables” with Pastor Kyle
- 5:00PM – April Newsletter Article Deadline

Friday, March 20

- 4:30PM – Avon UMC Lenten Fish Dinner

Saturday, March 21

- 9:00PM – Genesee Valley Handspinner’s Guild

Sunday, March 22

- 8:30AM – Adult Study with Michelle Prok; Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30AM – Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Baptism of Easley Modafferi
- 9:45AM – One Room Sunday School Class
- 10:45AM – Rush UMC Coffee Hour
- 11:00AM – Lectionary Study with Pastor Kyle; Gospel Lesson for March 28: John 11:1-45
- 2:00PM – Living with Loss

The Mission of Rush UMC: “to live and share the love of Jesus;” **Our Vision:** “to be more like Jesus.” **Our missional priorities:** “excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults and families and mission and outreach”

Sunday Assistants

March 15, 2026

- Greeter: Mackenzie Haynes
- Usher: Leola Porter
- Cookies: Nancy Miller, Barb Kingsley
- Cleanup: Don Kingsley

March 22, 2026

- Greeter: Mackenzie Haynes
- Usher: Leola Porter
- Cookies: Erma Perkins, Sherri Haynes
- Cleanup: Don Kingsley

Yellow Prayer Cards

Yellow Prayer Cards are in the pew holders and on Eagle Island. These are available for you to write prayers concerns or praises on. They can be given to the usher to be included in the Pastoral Prayer or placed in the offering plate on Eagle Island. These will be included in the next bulletin and the next issue of “His Faithful Followers.”

Giving to Rush UMC

Use this QR Code to give electronically. Giving envelopes are available on Eagle Island. Checks and cash are welcome. Donations can be put in the collection plates in the church lobby or mailed to the church.



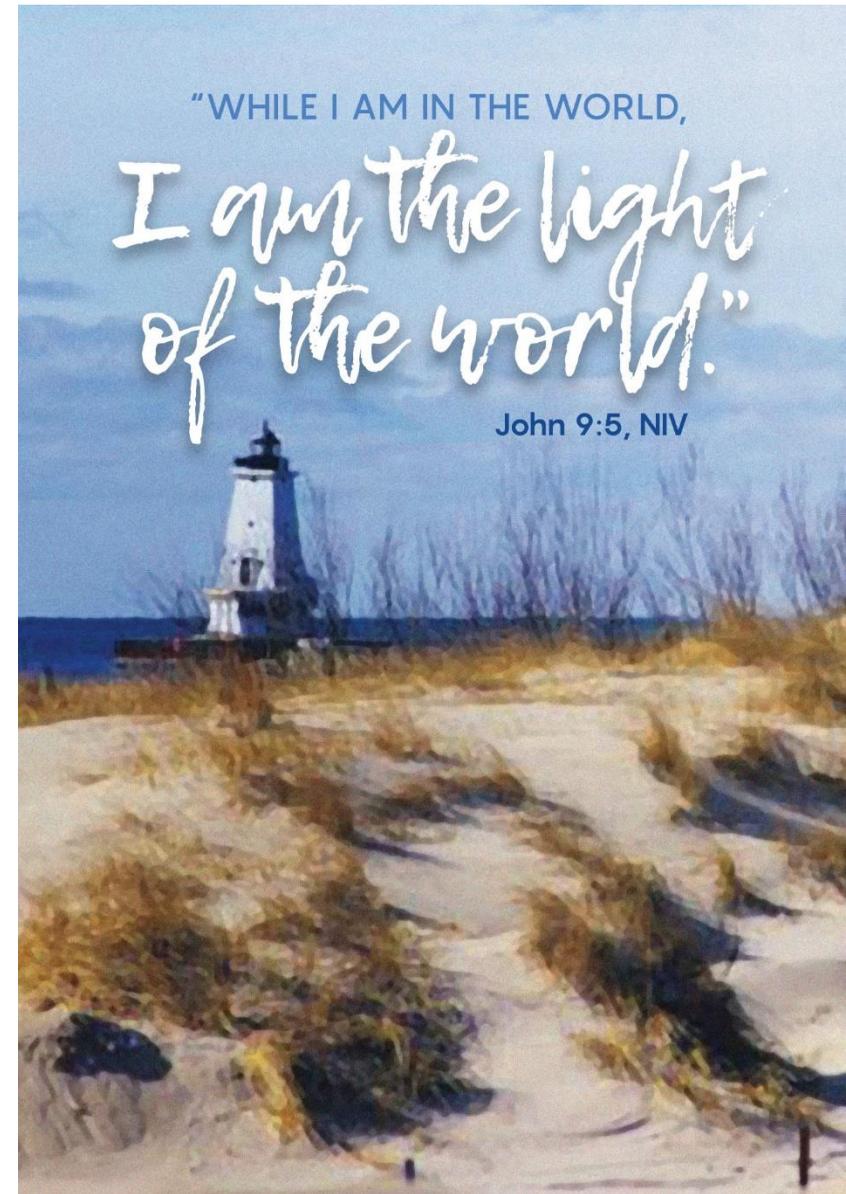
Newsletter/Upper Room/Announcements

Additional Announcements, the Weekly Calendar, and the current newsletter are on the website and through Rush Tidings. Copies of the current Newsletter and Upper Room are on the shelf in the vestibule. To send a prayer request or joy to Rush Tidings or to sign-up for Rush Tidings, send an email to: rumcnews@rushumc.org. You can also sign up on the website at www.rushumc.com.

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John 9:1-41 (NRSV)