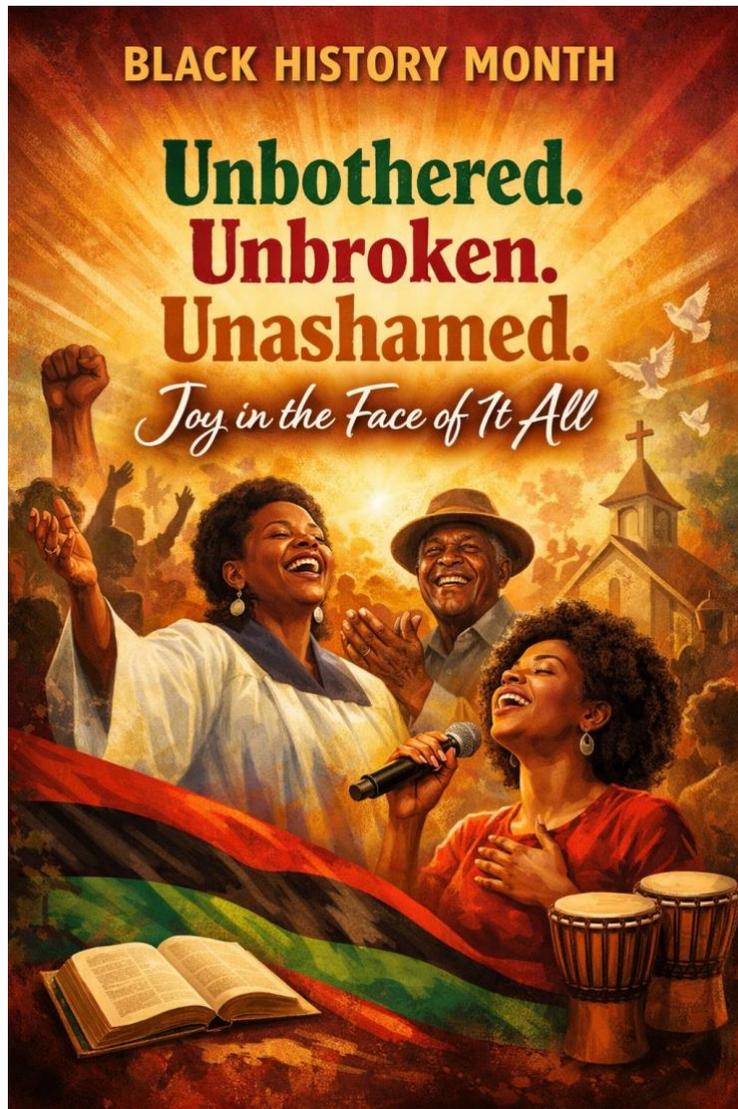




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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Sermon Series: Unbothered, Unbroken, and Unashamed:**  
**Joy in the Face of it All**

February 22, 2026

9:30am

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please sign the attendance registry found in the pews near the center aisle; pass it through the pew and back again, noting the name of your neighbors.)

**PRELUDE**

*"There Is a Balm in Gilead"*

Traditional Spiritual  
by M. Kim

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We have walked through struggle and stood in grace.

***People: And we are still standing!***

Leader: We have faced pressure and found strength.

***People: And we are still singing!***

Leader: The joy of the Lord has carried us.

***People: And that joy is our strength!***

***ALL: Let us worship the faithful God!***

**\* HYMN**

*"Lift Every Voice and Sing"*

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**\* UNISON PRAYER**

***Faithful and sustaining God, You have carried us through every season.***

***When we were distracted, You anchored us. When we were pressed,***

***You held us together. When we were tempted to shrink, You***

***strengthened our witness. Today we stand in gratitude. Not because***

***the road was easy, but because Your joy sustained us.***

***Renew our strength for what lies ahead. Let the joy we celebrate today***

***become courage tomorrow. Let the faith we proclaim in worship***

***become action in the world.***

***Send us forward; still standing, still singing, still trusting You.***

***In Jesus' name, Amen.***

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Nehemiah 8:10 NRSVUE

Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD, and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 16:32-33 NRSVUE

The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution, but take courage: I have conquered the world!"

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

***Thanks be to God!***

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Soon and Very Soon"*

A. Crouch

Flute: Mickey Hopp    Piano: Susan Shick

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Prayer

(Place your offering in the treasure chest in the narthex, mail in your giving,  
or go to the GIVE tab on the website:rockportumc.org)

**Lord's Prayer**

**HYMN**

*"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

FWS 2153

SERMON

"Still Standing, Still Singing: Joy That Carries Us Forward"    Pastor Tennille Power

**\* HYMN**

*"Victory is Mine"*

Insert

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* POSTLUDE**

*"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"*

G.F. Handel

\* Please stand as you are able

## SERVING THE LORD AT ROCKPORT

Pastor	Pastor Tennille Power
Lay Leader	Dan Newman
Music Director/Organist	Susan Shick
Church Office Administrator/Bookkeeper	Sara Chapman
Sound/Video	Scott Holchin
Lector	Diana Leitch
Ushers	Jeff Zullo & Kirk Sullenberger

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:** Join us after worship in the parlor for fellowship and coffee hour

### **Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2026**

6-7:20pm – Choir practice

### **Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2026**

6:30pm – Youth planning meeting

### **Friday, Feb. 27, 2026**

9:45am – Al-Anon

### **Saturday, Feb. 28, 2026**

10:00am – A.A

### **Sunday, March 1, 2026**

8:30-9:00am – Early Morning Service; Communion

9:30am – Worship & Live Streamed; Communion & choir sing

2-3:30pm – A.A. Book Club

