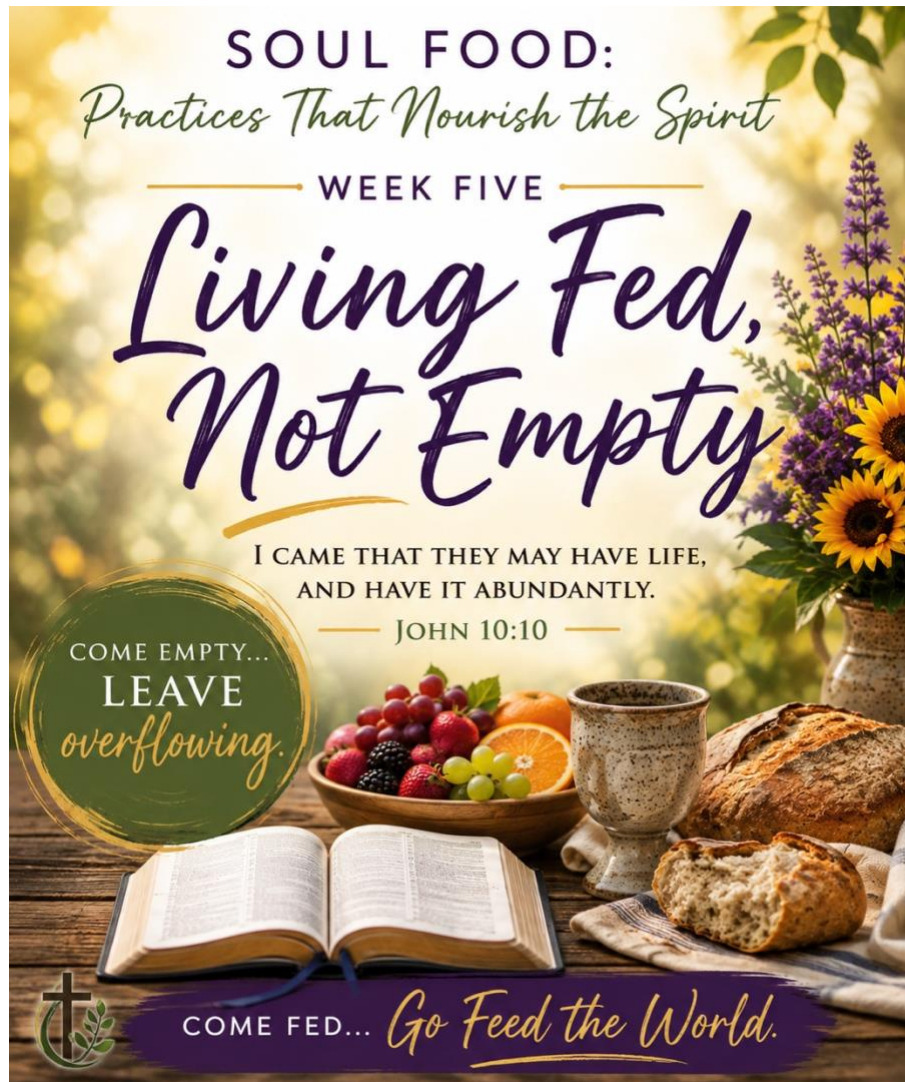




August 30, 2026



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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sermon Theme: Soul Food
Practices That Nourish the Spirit

August 30, 2026

9:30am

WELCOME & 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

"If We Never Meet Again"

Albert Brumley

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, people of God, to the table of grace.

People: *We come remembering how God has fed our souls.*

Leader: God has met us in hunger.

People: *God has filled us.*

Leader: God has met us in weariness.

People: *God has given us rest.*

Leader: God has met us in silence.

People: *God has taught us to listen.*

Leader: God has met us in sorrow and celebration.

People: *God has restored our joy.*

Leader: And now God sends us into the world nourished, strengthened, and
alive.

All: *We come ready to receive abundant life and ready to share what
God has given us. Let us worship God!*

*** HYMN**

"Standing on the Promises"

UMH 374, insert

*** UNISON PRAYER**

God of abundant life,

*You have met us again and again. When we were hungry, You fed
us. When we were weary, You gave us rest. When our lives were noisy,
You taught us to listen. When our hearts were heavy, You restored our
joy.*

*Today, we come grateful for every way You have nourished our spirits.
But do not let us become people who simply receive. Teach us to live
differently because we have been fed.*

Let Your grace overflow into the way we love. Let Your peace shape the way we speak.

Let Your joy become generosity. Let Your compassion move us toward those who are hurting.

Fill us again today, O God, not so we can keep Your goodness to ourselves, but so our lives may become a blessing to others.

In the name of Jesus Christ, who came that we might have abundant life. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 58:6-11

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am." If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 2:6-10

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

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

Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

"O Lord"

Mike Wilkenson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Prayer

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

Lord's Prayer

HYMN	<i>"Take My Life, and Let it Be"</i>	UMH 399, insert
SERMON	"Living Fed, Not Empty"	Pastor Tennille Power
*HYMN	<i>"Pass It On"</i>	UMH 572, insert
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>"I Will Always Love You"</i>	Dolly Parton
* Please stand as you are able		

SERVING THE LORD AT ROCKPORT

Pastor	Tennille Power
Music Director/Organist	Susan Shick
Church Office Administrator/Bookkeeper	Sara Chapman
Sound/Video	Scott Holchin
Lector	Paige Farling
Ushers	Kirk Sullenberger and Jeff Zullo

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK: Join us on the patio/parlor for fellowship and coffee hour

Monday, August 31, 2026

1:00pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026

7:00pm – Book Club

Friday, Sept. 4, 2026-Church office closed

9:45am – Al-Anon

Saturday, Sept. 5, 2026

10:00am – A.A

Sunday, Sept. 6, 2026

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

9:30am – Outdoor Worship & Live Streamed; communion

2-3:30pm – A.A. Book Club

Monday, Sept. 7-9, 2026- Church Office Closed for Labor Day & Vacations

