



September 13, 2026

ROCKPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**THIS IS
HOME**

Belong. Believe. Become.

WEEK TWO • BELIEVE

**Show Me
What You
Believe**

JAMES 2:14-18
JOSHUA 24:14-18 | 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-11

LOVE PEOPLE.
MEET NEEDS.
BE THE CHURCH.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

FAITH
LIVES
BEYOND
SUNDAY.

WORSHIP • GROW • SERVE • BELONG

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sermon Theme: This is Home: Belong. Believe. Become.

September 13, 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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather because we believe in a God who is living and active.

People: *We believe—and we are called to live what we believe.*

Leader: God has given each of us gifts.

People: *May our gifts become blessings to others.*

Leader: God has given us hands.

People: *May our hands be used to serve.*

Leader: God has given us voices.

People: *May our voices speak grace, truth, and hope.*

Leader: God has given us hearts capable of compassion.

People: *May our hearts notice those the world overlooks.*

Leader: Church, let our faith be more than words.

People: *Let our lives show what we believe!*

All: *We belong. We believe. We are becoming. Let us worship God!*

* HYMN

"Standing on the Promises

UMH 374, insert

* UNISON PRAYER

Living God,

We gather today because we believe. We believe you are gracious. We believe you are loving. We believe Jesus Christ changes lives. We believe your Spirit is still at work in the world.

But today, Lord, move our faith from our lips into our lives.

Keep us from becoming comfortable with a Christianity that says the right things but never risks loving, serving, giving, forgiving, or showing compassion.

Open our eyes to the people around us. Open our hands to serve. Open our hearts to love. And open our lives so completely to your Spirit that someone encountering us this week might catch a glimpse of Jesus.

We belong to you. Now teach us to live what we believe. In Christ's name, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joshua 24:14-18

"Now, therefore, revere the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living, but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went and among all the peoples through whom we passed, and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

"On Eagles Wings"

Joncas

Flute: Mickey Hopp Piano: Susan Shick

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>"Here I Am, Lord"</i>	UMH 593, insert
SERMON	"Show Me What You Believe"	Pastor Tennille Power
*HYMN	<i>"Marching to Zion"</i>	UMH 733, insert
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		

* 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	Tim Gleason
Ushers	Eileen Seppelt & Tim Gleason

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

Monday, Sept. 14, 2026

1:00pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00pm – Trustees

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2026

5:30pm – Choir potluck and practice

Friday, Sept. 18, 2026

9:45am – Al-Anon

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026

10:00am – A.A

Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026

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

9:30am – Outdoor Worship & Live Streamed

2-3:30pm – A.A. Book Club