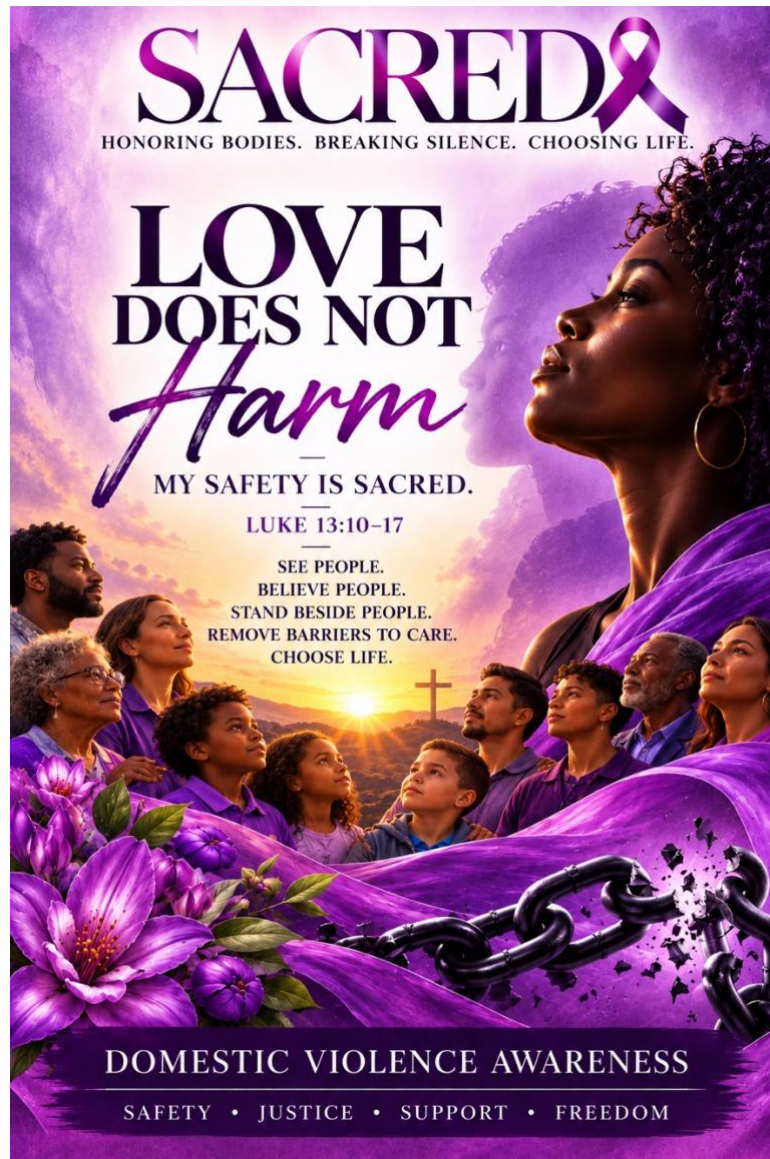




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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 11, 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

"Jesus Is My Life"

T. Kendall

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship the God who sees what others overlook.

People: *God sees us, knows us, and calls us beloved.*

Leader: We come to the God who hears cries spoken aloud and those
whispered behind closed doors.

People: *God hears, God cares, and God draws near.*

Leader: We come believing that fear is not God's desire for our lives and
violence is not the language of holy love.

People: *God calls us toward dignity, safety, freedom, and wholeness.*

Leader: So let this be a place where truth can be spoken, wounds can be
tended, and every person can know,

All: *We are sacred. Our voices are sacred. Our safety is sacred. Let us
worship God.*

* HYMN

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

UMH 133

* UNISON PRAYER

*God of refuge and holy love, we enter your presence just as we are. You
know the stories we tell and the stories we have been afraid to tell. You
see wounds visible and invisible. You hear voices that others have
ignored. Make this sanctuary a place of safety, truth, and grace. Teach
us to recognize love that gives life and reject anything that diminishes,
controls, or destroys. Give courage to those seeking freedom, wisdom to
those walking beside them, and conviction to your Church that we might*

become a refuge for those who need one. In the name of Jesus, who sees us and calls us toward wholeness, we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 10:14, 17-18 NLT

But you see the trouble and grief they cause. You take note of it and punish them. The helpless put their trust in you. You defend the orphans. Lord, you know the hopes of the helpless. Surely you will hear their cries and comfort them. You will bring justice to the orphans and the oppressed, so mere people can no longer terrify them.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 John 4:18

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love.

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

Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Song for Tom"

Mike Wilkenson

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

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

UMH 375

SERMON

"Love Does Not Harm"

Pastor Tennille Power

*** HYMN**

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

FWS 2151

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"The Gift of Love"

English Melody

* Please stand as you are able

PLEASE JOIN US in the parlor after worship for a Light Brunch to celebrate Ernie & Mickey's Sixty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of the Sixty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary of Ernie and Mickey Hopp

SERVING THE LORD AT ROCKPORT

Pastor	Tennille Power
Music Director/Organist	Susan Shick
Church Office Administrator/Bookkeeper	Sara Chapman
Sound/Video	Scott Holchin
Lector	Keith Kopko
Ushers	Keith Kopko & Emily Paige

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

Monday, Oct 12, 2026-Church Office Closed for Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day

1:00pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, Oct 13, 2026

6-7:20pm – Choir practice

Friday, Oct 16, 2026

9:45am – Al-Anon

Saturday, Oct 17, 2026

10:00am – A.A

Sunday, Oct 18, 2026

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

9:30am – Worship & Live Streamed; choir sings; **bring item for the cabinet**

2-3:30pm – A.A. Book Club

