# Welcome!

We are glad you're here! We want your experience to be a good one, so we have put together a bit of info to help you know what to expect while you are here.

**Our worship service**: Thanks for joining us today! We will begin the service with singing. Feel free to stand, sing, dance, or just listen as we express our worship to God. If you don't know the songs, don't worry, just follow along with the words on the screen!

**The message**: This is a time of practical teaching from the Bible. Often, multi-media presentations are incorporated to supplement the message. There is space in the bulletin to take notes If you wish. If you don't have a Bible, ask for one at the information desk, and it's yours to keep!

**The offering**: This is a time to share with the church how God has blessed us financially. If you are new, don't feel you have to contribute. The only thing we'd like from you is your connections card (on the back of this page).

**Prayer time**: We will pray together a couple of times throughout the service. On the last Sunday of each month, elders will be available to meet confidentially after services with anyone desiring spiritual, physical, emotional, or relational healing.

**Refreshments**: Join us for coffee in the back of the sanctuary after service! Visitors may pick up a complementary gift mug and welcome packet. If you have any questions, this is the place to find answers!

Childcare: Your children are welcome to remain with you throughout the service! We love that our church is a welcoming place for families. We do have a nursery for children ages 0-3 years if you would prefer to use that. We also have a cry room near the back of the sanctuary for fussy children and nursing mothers. Children ages 3-7 are invited to participate in Children & Worship, an age-appropriate worship and learning time. Children start service with their parents and will be dismissed part way through. If you are unfamiliar with this program, you are encouraged to accompany your kids the first time. They can be picked up after each service in Room 5 on the lower level. Children 8 and older are encouraged to remain in the service with their parents. If they fill out a sermon notes card, they can turn it in at the information desk for a special treat!

**Formality**: We have no dress code. Whether you are in jeans or a tux, we're just glad you're here! You are also welcome to sip your coffee or read along with scripture passages on your mobile devices. We just ask that you silence your phones as a courtesy to others.

To learn more about our ministries and beliefs, be sure to pick up a welcome packet at the information desk or visit our website: rockfordreformedchurch.org.

# **Prayer Fellowship**

## **Recovery & Intercession:**

- ~Lucy Layman recovering after hernia surgery on March 8.
- ~Elden Hunsberger diagnosed with colon cancer, consulting with doctors.
- ~Vic Yurick scheduled for back surgery on March 22.
- ~Sue Yurick doing PT for rotator cuff injury.
- ~Cindy Steensma is consulting with doctors after receiving test results.
- ~Ray Dulyea continued prayer that his kidney test "numbers" will not change.
- ~Bill Boyd continues home dialysis and awaits a transplant.
- ~Be in prayer for disaster victims, and people searching for jobs.
- ~Pray for our military: **Nathan Gonzalez**, **Phillip Scholten**, **Nick Welch** and all military personnel.

## **Extended Family:**

- ~Portell Family (4 kids) (friends of Van Houtens) lost everything in a house fire on March 8.
- ~Gabe (grandson of friend of VanderKyl's) has Spina bifida, had surgery Mar 13.
- ~Brian Carpenter (Tom & Miriam's son) at Mary Free Bed for rehab. Will be consulting with doctor in Ann Arbor.
- ~Becca Kalee (Casey & Sue's daughter-in-law) pregnancy and health issues.
- ~Ervin Gunnink (Hunsberger's son) CT Scan scheduled March 22, sees surgeon March 26.
- ~Laurie Evans (Dennis VanderKuyl's sister) in rehab due to MS.
- ~Dave Aldrich (friend of Scott Kruizenga) diagnosed w/blood cancer after back surgery. Will start radiation soon.
- ~Mike Crusan (son-in-law of Dale & Karen Rogers) intense physical therapy.
- ~Robert Smith (Audrey Shantz's dad) continues recovery after surgery.
- ~Les Westenbroek (Kerry Schrotenboer's dad) in Hospice care lung cancer.
- ~Susan Leemgraven (Carolyn Feikema's sister-in-law) undergoing chemo.
- ~Maggie Hunkele (Larry Bertsch's sister) treatment for breast cancer.
- ~Marcia Pollie (Sharon Dulyea's sister) is undergoing chemo treatments.
- ~Sara DeKuiper (cousin of De Kuipers) continues chemo treatments.

## **Praise & Thanksgiving:**

Congratulations to **Bryan & Miranda Porter** at the birth of their son, **Ethan James**, on March 13. Proud grandparents are **Ron & Bev Porter**.

### Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 291

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$20,581.53 Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$11,766.00



**Sunday, March 17, 2013** 

# "Keys to Sharing Your Faith"

Luke 24:44-53 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Welcome & Announcements

Music

8:45am: #43 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," "Lord of Lords,"

#311 "Hallelujah, What a Savior"

11:00am: #43 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," "Lord of Lords,"

#311 "Hallelujah, What a Savior"

(Children dismissed for Children & Worship)

8:45am: Pamela Huffman, Nicholas Knapp 11:00am: Nancy Steenwyk, Tamra Miller, Kathryn Jacobs

Offering

Prayer

Scripture

Message

Music

8:45am: "Worship Christ the Risen King," "God of Justice" 11:00am: "Worship Christ the Risen King," "God of Justice"

Benediction

Nursery - 8:45am: Chris Knapp, Cora VandenHeuvel 11:00am: Molly Pippin, Beth Shaw, Nicole Kruizenga

Next Sunday:

"Witnessing Your Way"

Matthew 5:13-16 • Pastor Rick Tigchon



Vision: To always be a living reflection of Christ's hands, feet, and voice in the community.

**Mission**: To connect people to Jesus Christ and encourage them to grow in their relationship with Him through worship and fellowship, so they will reach out to serve and disciple others for the glory of God.

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# **Notes**

## Want more info?

Just stop by our information desk at the back of the sanctuary or go online:

# rockfordreformedchurch.org

# **Announcements**

## Today:

8:30am: Prayer Meeting in Rm #1

9:50am: Christian Education for all ages

Ages 3 & 4 meet in the Exploration Station Ages 5 – 5th Grade meet in the Fellowship Hall WAVE Youth (grades 6-8) meet in the Youth Room ROCK Youth (grades 9-12) meet in Rm #25

Adults: March 17 & 24: Eric Pilko – "Science & Religion"

(Fireside Rm #20)

Women: "Let it Go" led by Polly Johnson (Rm #22)

10:00am: Prayer Meeting in Pastor Rick's office

6:30pm: ROCK Youth Group (grades 9-12) NO ROCK this week!

#### This Week:

Tues, 7:00am: Men's Prayer Breakfast

Tues, 9:30am: **Women's Bible Study** – "Letters to Timothy" (Rm #1)

Wed, Pioneer Clubs: 6:00pm Simple Supper, 6:30pm Clubs

Wed, 6:30pm: WAVE Youth Group (Grades 6-8) in Youth Rm. (Spring Retreat

April 12-14 @ Cran-Hill Ranch – Early Bird Cost \$65, due March 20) Wed, 6:45pm: Men's Bible Study – "Peter's Life Story" (FLC Rm #24)

Wed, 7:00pm: Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thurs: **Weekly Ice Fishing** – meet at church at 3:00pm.

## **Announcements & Upcoming Events:**

- ~Sat, March 23, 8am til done: Alpha Work Day contact Phil Knapp
- ~Sat, March 23, 1pm: Adult Singles @ Arnies in Rockford then to Lucy's.
- ~Sun, March 24: Palm Sunday Lenten Celebration @ both services
- ~Thurs, March 28, 7:00pm: Maundy Thursday Communion Service
- ~Fri, March 29, 7:00pm: Rockford Good Friday Service @ Bella Vista Church
- ~Sat, March 30, 9:30am Easter Egg Hunt w/Family Pancake Breakfast Candy needed for Easter Egg Hunt! Basket for donations in back of church.
- ~Sun, March 31: Easter Worship Services, 8:45am & 11:00am

# **Connections Card**

If you wish to use this card, tear it off at the fold and place it in the offering plate, or take it to the information desk.

<ul> <li>○ I would like to know more about becoming a follower of Christ</li> <li>○ I'm a visitor and would like more information about RRC</li> <li>○ I would like offering envelopes</li> <li>○ Prayer request (please keep confidential)</li> <li>○ Prayer request (may be shared)</li> <li>○ I'm interested in membership</li> <li>○ Suggestion, question, or concern</li> <li>○ Update my contact info (see below)</li> <li>○ Subscribe to e-news (email address required)</li> </ul>	
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