

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:

- ~**June Schofield** is consulting with doctors about back problems.
- ~**Elden Hunsberger** diagnosed with colon cancer, consulting with doctors.
- ~**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:

- ~**Matthew** (Lucy Layman's grandson) 2nd degree burns on hand and leg.
- ~**De Groot Family** (friends of Van Houtens) Ed continues recovery after bone marrow transplant and prayers for death in 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) home recovering. 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) sees surgeon March 26.
- ~**Laurie Evans** (Dennis VanderKuy's sister) in rehab due to MS.
- ~**Dave Aldrich** (friend of Scott Kruizenga) diagnosed w/blood cancer after back surgery. Will start radiation soon.
- ~**Robert Smith** (Audrey Shantz's dad) continues recovery after surgery.
- ~**Les Westenbroek** (Kerry Schrottenboer'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) is in remission.

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: 315
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$11,466.00
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$1,790.00



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Sunday, March 24, 2013

“Witnessing Your Way”

Matthew 5:13-16 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Welcome & Announcements

Music

8:45am: #297 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna,” “Hosanna”

11:00am: “Hosanna (Praise is Rising),” “Hosanna”

(Children dismissed for Children & Worship)

8:45am: Terri Katsma, Madelyn McConnon 11:00am: Rachel DeKuiper, Kathy Commeret, Sami DeKuiper

Offering

Prayer

Moment for Mission – Audrey Shantz, Kid's Hope

Scripture

Message

Music

8:45am: “You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

11:00am: “You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

Benediction

Nursery - 8:45am: Lisa DeBoer, Kate Fleetham 11:00am: Becki Pilko, Tamra Miller, Morgan & Kendall Bouwkamp



Next Sunday:

“The Christmas Promise Fulfilled”

Luke 2:8-13; John 16:16-24 • 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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