

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 visiting, 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's 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:

- ~**Dan & Jen Einfeld** are in China to bring back their new son. Pray the process is smooth and for safe travel.
- ~**Dan Buckley** is recovering after hip replacement surgery on Feb 18.
- ~**John Knapp** is recovering after a kidney transplant on Mon, Feb 17, also his daughter who donated the kidney.
- ~**Lee Harvey** is in the rehab facility at Porter Hills under Hospice care.
- ~**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: **Michael Best, Phil Scholten, Nick Welch** and all military personnel.

Extended Family:

- ~**Maddie Tomasko** (friend of Lilly Johnson) diagnosed with leukemia for the second time.
- ~**Alyce (Northouse) Burns** is now home after back surgery.
- ~**Shirley Jonker** (Dianne Bennett's mother) is under Hospice care.
- ~**Ron Vander Putte** (Broome's nephew) diagnosed with late stage pancreatic cancer.
- ~**Joan Lawton** (Diephouse's daughter) recovering at home after surgery on Jan 15 and continues to improve.
- ~**Doug Elzerman** (Jane's brother) diagnosed with stage IV spinal cancer and is under Hospice care.
- ~**Israel Madema** (Arlene Hunsberger's grandson) under Hospice care – cancer has spread throughout his body.
- ~**Marilyn Grindol** (Nancy Jansen's sister) continues chemo treatments but also dealing with complications from the surgery and chemo.
- ~**Marcia Pollie** (Sharon Dulyea's sister) continues chemo treatments.

Extended Family:

Congratulations to **Zach & Brittany Host** at the birth of their daughter, **Courtney Ann** on Feb. 14. Proud grandparents are **Dave & Mindy Host**, great grandmother is **Carol Knox**.

Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 290
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$10,880.25
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$650.00



Rockford Reformed Church
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Sunday, March 2, 2014 • Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am

“The Riches of Poverty”

Caravan Kids Sunday

Matthew 5:1-11 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Music: *Come Now is the Time to Worship, The Father's Love*

Puppets

Music: *God is So Good*

Special Music: Bell Choir

Liturgical Dance

Skit

Offering: Youth Choir

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

Children's Worship - 8:45am: Megan DeVries, Caleb Jennings

11:00am: Nancy Steenwyk, Landen Jennings

Prayer



Roger Hoogewind

Music: *Stronger*

Scripture

Message

Music: *I Love You Lord*

Benediction

Postlude

Nursery - 8:45am: Lora Jenema, Rosa Jarrell

11:00am: Alicia & Madi Stuckey, Elena Brownell

Next Sunday:

“Mourned Lately?”

II Corinthians 7:5-13 • 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. All welcome!

9:50am: Sunday School for all ages

Ages 3 & 4 meet in Classroom #9

Grades K – 5th meet in the “Acts of Faith” Room

Middle School (grades 6-8) meet in the Youth Room

Senior High (grades 9-12) meet in Classroom #25

Adults:

- “Read the Bible in One Year” Discussion Group in Rm #22
- “Commonly Misunderstood Verses” led by Jim Scholten in Rm #21.
- “Guardrails” by Andy Stanley led by Kevin & Polly Johnson. For ALL adults in the Fireside Room.

4-5pm: RRC Youth Choir (ages K-8th grade) **NO** choir practice this week!

6:30pm: High School Youth Group (grades 9-12) meet in the Youth Rm.

This Week:

Tues, 7:00am: Men’s Prayer Breakfast. Join us any time.

Tues, 9:30am: Women’s Bible Study – “Spiritual Warfare.” Meet in Rm #1.

Wed, 10:00am: Adult Fellowship Group meet for coffee, goodies and good conversation in the Old Fellowship Hall.

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

Wed, 6:30pm: Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8) meet in the Youth Rm.

Wed, 6:45pm: (Adults) A Study on the Book of Acts w/Pastor Rick (Rm#20)

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Sun, March 9, 3:00pm: Family Movie Event in the sanctuary – “Veggies in Space: *The Fennel Frontier*”

Sun, March 9: Blood Pressure Screening after both morning services (Rm #4)

REVEAL Spiritual Life Survey: March 2-17. Watch your email for a link to take the survey on-line. It will help us to see what progress we have made in the last year and also help us see where we need to continue to improve our efforts to support your spiritual growth.

Sat, March 15, 9am-3pm: RRC Garage Sale in the Family Life Center. Drop off items starting Monday, March 10. Proceeds from the sale of donated items help support our Youth mission trips.

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.

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

I want to sign up or volunteer for: _____

You may submit this anonymously, but if you would like a response or are signing up for something, please give us your contact info:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____
