

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, 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.

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 (bulletin insert).

Prayer time: We will pray together a couple of times throughout the service.

Refreshments: Join us for coffee in the lobby after service! Visitors may pick up a complimentary 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 parent-infant 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 112 on the lower level. Children 8 and older are encouraged to remain in the service with their parents. Children's bulletins are available.

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 in the lobby or visit our website: rockfordreformedchurch.org.

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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Rockford Reformed Church
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Sunday, January 22, 2017

Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am

Rising Sun

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF WORSHIP

There Is A Fountain, Grace Alone, Holy Spirit

Children (ages 3 years - 3rd grade) are invited to KidLife Worship downstairs

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY

Update on Jorvens and Benevolent Fund

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 2:18-29 (p.933)

MESSAGE

"The Seven Churches in Revelation: Overcoming Through Obedience"

Pastor Tony Campbell

RESPONSE

I Surrender All

CLOSING BLESSING

Today's Nursery Volunteers:

(8:45am) Karen Bazen, Madelyn Mc Connon (11:00am) Pam & Kathryn Jacobs, Melissa Fisk

Today's KidLife Worship Volunteers:

(8:45am) Krista & Abby Vanden Heuvel (11:00am) Rachel & Sami De Kuiper, Karissa Ellis

Next Sunday: "The Seven Churches of Revelation: Authentic and Alive"

Revelation 3:1-6 (p.934) • Pastor Paul Bradford

Sermon audio and notes are available online at
www.rockfordreformedchurch.org/sermons-2/

Prayer Fellowship

Recovery & Intercession:

~High School Winter Retreat January 27-29.

~Medical concerns of various Haiti individuals, especially Jorvens.

~Carol Riegling scheduled for surgery (Endarterectomy) at U of M Feb 10.

~Elaine Pierson is in Hospice care at Raybrook Manor.

~Dave Mundwiler – tumor is stable, continues treatment.

~Bill Boyd continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.

~Ray Dulyea continued prayer his kidney "numbers" will not change.

~Be in prayer for disaster victims, and people searching for jobs.

~Pray for our military: Emily Bowers, Nick Welch and all military personnel.

Extended Family:

~Carrol Orton (Sharon Dulyea's sister) undergoing chemo treatments.

~Nancy Kingma (cousin of Pomrankas) undergoing chemo treatments.

~Brandon Homrich (Newkirk's son-in-law) new tumor, doing aggressive chemo.

~Kathy Lambers (friend of Bergman's) 6th battle with Leiomyosarcoma.

~Barry Lambers (Kathy's husband) suffered spinal injury, paralyzed waist down.

~Helen Heemstra (Terri Katsma's mom) undergoing chemo treatments.

Sympathy Expressed to:

Tom & Daryl Nederveld at the death of Daryl's mom, Betty Ringelberg, on January 13.

What's Going On?

Today:

8:20am: Prayer in Room #212 to pray over the services. All welcome!

10:00am: Sunday School for all ages:

- **Ages 3 – DK** meet in Classroom #111
- **Grades K-5th grade** meet in Classroom #101
- **Middle School** (grades 6-8) Youth Room #153
- **High School** (grades 9-12) Classroom #246
- **Adults:** "Reformation Overview" – a video series led by Phil Knapp (Rm#253). Starts Jan 15.

6:30pm: High School Youth Group. Meet in the Youth Room #153

This Week:

Mondays, 6:30-7:30pm: Weekly Prayer Meeting in the sanctuary.

Tuesdays, 7:00am: Men's Prayer Breakfast. Join us any time.

Tuesdays, 9:30-11am: Women's Bible Study – "Speaking Wisely," led by Marcia Coleman and Jean Boyd in Rm #212.

Wednesday Night Activities:

6:00pm **Simple Supper**, 6:30pm **KidLife Club** (ages 3 years – 5th grade)

6:30pm **Middle School Youth Group**

6:45pm **Adult Classes**

- "Letter to the Hebrews – Part 2" – Co-ed class led by Pastor Paul. Fireside Rm #253
- "Women of the Bible, Part 2" – Women's study led by Polly Johnson. Rm #250

Last Thursday/month, 7:00-8:30pm: Ladies Book Club. Fireside Rm #253.

Dec/Jan Book: *The Gate* by Dann A. Stouten. Next meeting is Jan 26.

Sat, Jan 28, 1:00pm: Adult Singles Group. Pizza Party in the Fireside Room (#253) at church.

Every other Saturday, 7:30-8:30am: Men's Study Breakfast. "Manhood Restored" by Eric Mason. In the Fireside Rm #253. Next meeting Feb 4.

Announcements/Events - GENERAL:

Mailboxes and bulletin boards are in the church office hallway.

Communion: 1st Sunday of every month

Year-End Giving Statements are in your church mailboxes.

Wed, Feb 1, 12:00noon: Adult Fellowship Group Potluck. Bring a dish to pass and join us for great food and conversation. All Welcome!

Sun, Feb 5, 12:30pm: Haiti Mission Trip Info Meeting (Fireside Rm#253). Interested in joining the RRC Team on their annual Mission Trip to Haiti? Trip dates are July 5-12. It is a life-changing experience. Contact Rachel DeKuiper for info @ 874-3399 or rmdekuiper@rockfordschools.org

Sun, Feb 12, 12:15pm: New-Comer's Lunch. Are you new to RRC? Join Pastor Paul & Tammy Bradford for an informal lunch (following the 11:00am service) and a chance to have any questions answered. Please RSVP with the church office (866-2308) or at office@rockfordrc.org

Mentors needed for Kids Hope! Contact Audrey Shantz, audreyschantz@gmail.com

On-line Giving: You can give directly from your phone or computer! There's a link to the form on the front page of our website www.RockfordReformedChurch.org



Announcements/Events - YOUTH:

Brian Ellis: brian@rockfordrc.org

Sunday School at 10:00am: **MS** (Youth Room #153), **HS** (Rm #246)

MS meets on Wednesdays @ 6:30pm, **HS** meets on Sundays @ 6:30pm

Winter Retreats: **HS** January 27-29, **MS** February 10-12

Announcements/Events - CHILDREN:

Children's Ministries – Beth Jennings, Director: beth@rockfordrc.org

KidLife Club – Laura Jolliffe, Director: laura@rockfordrc.org

KidLife Sunday School for ages 3 through 5th grade at 10:00am

KidLife Club (formerly Pioneer Clubs)

Wednesdays: 6:00pm Simple Supper, 6:30pm Club

Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 274

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$7,741.00

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$1,515.00

Benevolent Fund Donations for Jorvens (July-Dec): \$18,552.45 Total to date

Thank you!!

Overcoming Through Obedience

4th in Series: The Seven Churches of Revelation

Text: Revelation 2:18-29

Sunday: 1/22/2017