

COMMUNITY & GLOBAL OUTREACH

...Faith in Action

KIDS HOPE USA

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

We recently had 8 new kids referred to the Kids Hope program. Please contact Audrey Shantz (866-2308) if you would consider becoming a mentor!



COMMUNITY (hands, feet, & voice) churchoffice@rockfordreformedchurch.org

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:

- Birthday Blessings: Birthday parties for children of clients of NKCS. Held in the FLC gym. *Needed:* People to serve as party hosts, and donations of gifts and party supplies. Contact Sue (874.6289) or Pam (866.6318).
- North Kent Community Services (866.3478)
- New City Neighbors (970.4817): Men & Women leaders needed for Thursday evening school year program. Contact Sue Yurick at yuricks1@sbcglobal.net
- The Other Way Ministries (454.4011)
- The Alpha Family Center in Cedar Springs (696.2616)

GLOBAL MISSIONS

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH:

Haiti Foundation Against Poverty
PO Box 120105, Grand Rapids, MI 49528
Email: information@haitipoverty.org Website: haitipoverty.org

MISSIONARIES IN SERVICE:

Jim & Beth Harrison	Mike & Sheryl Knox	Tim & Angie Sliedrecht
Dan & Heidi Smith	Mark & Deb Wilson	Greg & Laura Yoder
Adrian & Bernardeth Bobb-Kelly	HFAP-Haiti Foundation Against Poverty	

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ATTENDANCE/FINANCE

Last week's attendance: 319
Last week's Ministry & Mission Offering: \$14,610.77
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction Offering: \$135.00
Christmas Eve Special Offering for Safe Haven Ministries: \$1,047.00

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

RECOVERY & INTERCESSION:

- **Joel Van Houten** continues vocal therapy after surgery on his vocal chords.
- **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:

- **Beverly Kok** (Sally Bower's Aunt) diagnosed w/cancer and is under Hospice care.
- **Casey Lange** (niece of Broome's) hospitalized for a brain bleed stroke.
- **Charles Tigchon** (Rick's father) is at Kent Community for rehab.
- **Jan Venema** (Rick Venema's step-mother) had hip replacement on Nov. 28.
- **Ed DeGroot** (friend of Joel Van Houten) had a bone marrow transplant on Dec 5.
- **Mike Crusan** (son-in-law of Dale & Karen Rogers) has been moved to Mary Free Bed for intense physical therapy.
- **Robert Smith** (Audrey Shantz's dad) waiting for test results.
- **Ervin Gunnink** (Arlene Hunsberger's son) is consulting with doctors.
- **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) undergoing treatment for breast cancer.
- **Marcia Pollie** (Sharon Dulyea's sister) is undergoing chemo treatments.
- **Max Wiersma** (Ploeg's nephew – 3-yrs old) has another round of chemo yet.
- **Sara DeKuiper** (cousin of De Kuipers) continues chemo treatments.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING:

Congratulations to **Michelle & Rick Hoyos** at the birth of their daughter, **Teresa Grace**, on December 17. 7 lbs 1 oz. Proud grandparents are **Steve & Nancy Steenyk**.

SYMPATHY:

Sympathy is expressed to **Ron & June Schofield** and **Steve & Allison Schofield** at the death of June's mother (Steve's grandmother), **Evelyn Bursma**, on Dec 23.

- 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.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MESSAGE

Please join us!

“Unity”

John 17:20-26 (p. 826)



Rockford Reformed Church



WELCOME!

Sunday, December 30, 2012
8:45am & 11:00am

*“Back to Business
but Hopefully not as Usual”*

Luke 2:8-20 (p. 783)

Pastor Rick Tigchon

Vision: *To always be a living reflection of Christ's hands, feet, and voice in 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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Wireless listening devices and large print hymnals are available at the sound console.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Kid's Korner

Beth Jennings, rcchildrensministry@gmail.com

TODAY:

Note: NO Christian Education Classes Dec 30 – Happy New Year!

9:50am – CARAVAN & CARAVAN PREP STATION

- Ages 3 & 4 meet in the Exploration Station
- Age 5-K and Grades 1-5 meet in the Fellowship Hall
- (rotation schedules are available by the Caravan counter)



CHILDREN & WORSHIP

- Walkout worship for kids ages 3-7
(Children will be dismissed during morning services)
- 8:45am – No programming today
- 11:00am – No programming today

Emily De Witte, emily.dewitte@gmail.com



NURSERY

- 8:45am: Lisa De Boer, Lilly Johnson
- 11:00am: Beth Shaw, Morgan & Kendall Bouwkamp
(Cry Room also available off of hall near main entry stairs of sanctuary)
- **NEEDED: Adult Leaders (18+) & Helpers (ages 10-17)**
Contact Beth @ 866-2308 ext. 16 or rcchildrensministry@gmail.com

Beth Jennings, rcnursery@gmail.com



WEEKLY WEDNESDAYS:

Brenda VanderHeide, rcpioneerclubs@gmail.com



Pioneer Clubs: NO programming on Jan 2 – Happy New Year!

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Middle & High School

Ben Gandy, Director of Youth Ministries, benrrc@gmail.com
Trisha Van Stensel, Youth Admin. Assistant, tvstarrc@gmail.com

WAVE grades 6-8

TODAY:

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- Sunday School – Meets at 9:50am in the Youth Room!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **WAVE:** Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Youth Rm. **NO WAVE Jan 2!**
- **GROW:** A unique opportunity to grow in God's word and earn cash for trips. Grow packets are available in the Youth Rm. Read God's word, write what you learned, hand grow sheet in. Simple. Start growing now!

ROCK grades 9-12

TODAY

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- Sunday School in Rm. #25 at 9:50am!

– **ROCK 6:30pm in the Youth Room. NO ROCK today!**

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WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

susankalee803@gmail.com

WEEKLY:

- Thursdays: **Moms-N-Kids Morning Out!** Call Alicia Stuckey (633.0723) for time and place. We would love for you to join us.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- **Tuesdays**, 9:30am: New study starting Jan 8 - "**Letters to Timothy**" led by Jean Boyd (874-9655) and Lin Ploeg (866-0862) in Rm #1. **Join us! No class on Jan 1.**
- **Wednesdays**, 6:45pm: "**Road Trip**" by Jen Hatmaker, led by Nancy Tigchon. Meet in FLC Fireside Rm #20. **No class on Jan 2.**
- **Fridays**, 9:30am: New study starting January 18 – "**Radical**" by David Platt. Child care available. Contact Trisha Van Stensel to sign up!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MEAL-N-CARE and CELEBRATIONS MINISTRIES

- Meals, Prayer Shawls/Quilts, Cards, and Care Baskets available for individuals and families in times of illness, grieving, or other challenging occasions.
- Bridal Blessings Showers for future brides! Lyn Peterman 866.9069, lpeterman@nvps.net

ADULT MINISTRIES

churchoffice@rockfordreformedchurch.org

TODAY:

- 8:30am: **Prayer Meeting** in Rm #1. Everyone Welcome!

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- 9:50am: **Adult Christian Education Classes:** (FLC Fireside Room #20)
Jan, 6-27: "**Staying in Love**" led by Kevin & Polly Johnson
- 10:00am: **Prayer Meeting** in Pastor Rick's office. **NO MEETING TODAY!**

- **Today! Last "Double-Up" Sunday Offering.** (A challenge to give double your normal giving for the week to help the church with our financial concerns through the end of the year) *Thank you for your prayerful and faithful giving!*

USHERS: 8:45am – Ron Porter, Tom Bruyn, Stan Weir
11:00am – Dan Uthoff, Doug Hannink, Jim Scholten

DEACON COLLECTION: Dan Jenema, Brandon Mueller

DEACON SERVANT NETWORK: Deb Coon (866.4829)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Year-End Contributions** must be received in the church office no later than 12:00noon on Monday, December 31.

- **Wed, Jan 2, 10:00am: Adult Fellowship Group** meet for goodies, coffee and good conversation in the Fellowship Hall. 

- **Sun, Jan 6: Ordination/Installation of new Elders & Deacons:** Suzanne Bredow, Tim Mulder, Laura Jolliffe, Wally Glaza

- **Sun, Jan 6: Communion** will be served at both services

- **Sun, Jan 27, 3:30pm-6:30pm: Discovery Class for church membership.** Watch for more information. (Light supper & nursery provided)

Annual Congregational Meeting Results:

Elected as Shepherd Elder: **Suzanne Bredow, Tim Mulder**

Elected as Service Deacon: **Laura Jolliffe, Wally Glaza**

The Proposed Budget for 2013 was approved.

(Copies of the meeting handouts are available at the back of the sanctuary)

Our appreciation is expressed to outgoing consistory members: **Don Bandstra, Miriam Carpenter, Dan Jenema, Sandy Uthoff.** Thank you for your faithful service to RRC.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

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WEEKLY:

- Tuesday, 7:00am: **Men's Prayer Breakfast.** Please join us!
- Wednesdays, 6:45-8:00pm: **Bible Study** led by Pastor Rick. "Peter's Life Story"
Meet in the FLC Music Room. **No class on Jan 2.**