

# 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](http://rockfordreformedchurch.org).

# Prayer Fellowship

## Recovery & Intercession:

- ~**Gail Wagner** is scheduled for back surgery on January 11.
- ~**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:

- ~**Jerry Jonker** (Dianne Bennett's brother) undergoing heart tests.
- ~**Kathy Miller** undergoing tests for lung problems.
- ~**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) 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) 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.

## 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.

## Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 253  
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$19,938.82  
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$5,360.00



**Rockford Reformed Church**  
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**Sunday, January 6, 2013**

## “Unity”

John 17:20-26 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Welcome & Announcements

Music

8:45am: #11 *Come Thou Fount*, #210 *Praise to the Lord*

11:00am: *Come Thou Fount*, *10,000 Reasons*

Offering

Ordination/Installation of new Elders & Deacons

Elders: Suzanne Bredow, Tim Mulder

Deacons: Wally Glaza, Laura Jolliffe

Prayer

Message

Communion

Music

8:45am: *Behold the Lamb, Jesus Thank You*

11:00am: *Behold the Lamb, Jesus Thank You*

Benediction

## Next Sunday:

### “Critical Surgery”

Matthew 7:1-6 • 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

Lined area for taking notes.



# 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 – 5<sup>th</sup> 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: Jan 6-27 - "Staying in Love" meet in Fireside Rm  
 10:00am: Prayer Meeting in Pastor Rick's office  
 6:30pm: ROCK Youth Group (grades 9-12) in the Youth Room (**No** ROCK today)

### 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 the Youth Room  
 Wed, 6:45pm: Women's Bible Study – "Road Trip" (Fireside Rm)  
 Wed, 6:45pm: Men's Bible Study – "Peter's Life Story" (Music Rm)  
 Fri, 9:30am: Women's Bible Study – (starts Jan 18) "Radical" (Rm 24)  
     Child care available

### Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Sun, Jan 13: **Blood Pressure Screening** (Rm #4)  
 Sun, Jan 27, 3:30pm-6:30pm: **Discovery Class for church membership.** Light supper and child care available: RSVP with the church office.

ROCK & WAVE Youth: **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!

**Nursery: Adult leaders (18+) & helpers (10-17) needed.** Contact Beth Jennings (866-2308)

**Kids Hope USA Mentors needed** – contact Audrey Shantz (866.2308)

**Birthday Blessings: Party hosts & donations of gifts and party supplies needed.** Contact Sue Kalee (874-6289) or Pam Jacobs (866-6318)



## Want more info?

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

**rockfordreformedchurch.org**



# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Lined area for providing contact information.