

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:

- ~**Pastor Lou Harvey** is home and waiting for doctors to decide how to proceed to repair a stent and heart valve.
- ~**June Schofield** is consulting with doctors about back problems.
- ~**Cindy Steensma** undergoing chemo treatments through August.
- ~**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:

- ~**Gladys Tuttle** (Rick Tuttle's Grandmother) in rehab recovering from a stroke.
- ~**David Wilson** (Polly Johnson's dad) home in Indiana & doing physical therapy.
- ~**Emma Carpenter** (Carpenter's niece) last MRI shows no evidence of tumor.
- ~**Brian Carpenter** (Tom & Miriam's son) home recovering. Pain is being managed. Brian sees the specialist at U of M on May 3.
- ~**Ervin Gunnink** (Hunsberger's son) cancer has spread to liver & lungs. Decided to undergo chemo treatments.
- ~**Dave Aldrich** (friend of Scott Kruizenga) Undergoing radiation and then surgery to reconstruct vertebrae.
- ~**Les Westenbroek** (Kerry Schrottenboer's dad) still under Hospice care – cancer is now throughout his chest cavity.
- ~**Susan Leemgraven** (Carolyn Feikema's sister-in-law) undergoing chemo.
- ~**Marcia Pollie** (Sharon Dulyea's sister) continues chemo treatments.

Praise & Thanksgiving:

Congratulations to **Tim & Becca Kalee** at the birth of their daughter, **Eliana Sue**, born April 20. Proud grandparents are **Casey & Sue Kalee**.

Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 323
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$13,980.00
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$2,695.00



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Sunday, May 5, 2013

“Tsame and Dipsao”

Psalms 42; Matthew 5:6 • Pastor Bryan Boersma

Welcome & Announcements

Music

8:45am: #128 I Sing the Mighty Power of God,

*Awesome is the Lord Most High, #210 Praise to the Lord,
Give us Clean Hands*

11:00am: *The Earth is Yours, Awesome is the Lord Most High,
#210 Praise to the Lord, Give us Clean Hands*

(Children dismissed for Children & Worship)

8:45am: Terri Katsma, Nicholas Knapp

11:00am: Nancy Steenwyk, Tamra Miller, Kathryn Jacobs

Offering

Prayer

Scripture

Message

Music

8:45am: #815 Doxology

11:00am: #815 Doxology

Benediction

Nursery - 8:45am: Lori Ver Merris, Madelyn McConnon

11:00am: Trisha Van Stensel, Pam & Kathryn Jacobs

Next Sunday:

“You Owe it to Your Parents & Yourselfes”

Ephesians 6:1-4 • 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

Announcements

Today:
 8:30am: **Prayer Meeting** in Rm #1
 9:50am: **Christian Education for all ages**
 Note: Last week of Christian Ed Is TODAY - May 5!
 Ages 3 & 4 meet in the Exploration Station
 Ages 5 – 5th 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: Year-End Celebration! Treats & coffee. (Fireside Rm #20)
 10:00am: **Prayer Meeting** in Pastor Rick’s office

This Week:
Mondays: RRC Golf League at Cedar Chase Golf Club. *Open to everyone!*
 Tee offs: 3:30pm for 18 holes, 5:30pm for 9 holes. Contact Marty or Ben with questions @ 824-8701 or martybigdawg@gmail.com
Tues, 7:00am: Men’s Prayer Breakfast
Tues, 9:30am: Women’s Bible Study – “Remembering the Forgotten God”, led by Lin Ploeg & Jean Boyd (Rm #1)

Announcements & Upcoming Events:
 ~Sun, May 12: **Blood Pressure Screening** after both services in RM #4 (north hallway off sanctuary)
 ~Sun, May 19: **Grad Sunday.** Cake reception between services.
 ~Hygiene Items for Haiti. Deadline for donations is June 16!
 ~ROCK (Grades 9-12) **Mission Trip: June 22-29** in Live Oak, FL.
 After May 1 Cost: \$200 (due May 8!).
 Parents: *Get your Grad info to Trisha by May 12!*
 ~WAVE (Grades 6-8) **Mission Trip: July 6-13** in Live Oak, FL.
 After May 1 Cost: \$200 (due May 8!).

~Volunteers needed!: Contact Beth Jennings
Summer Nursery Schedule
Vacation Bible School – Mon, June 17 – Friday, June 21, 6-8pm.

“Buy a Brick” to be placed in the RRC Memorial Prayer Garden “Heart.”
 This is your once a year opportunity to buy a brick for your loved ones.
 \$40/each – pick up a form at the Information Desk

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: _____

Want more info?

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

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