

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. 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:

- ~Phyllis Lindhout recovering after hip replacement surgery and repair to a broken leg due to a fall.
- ~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: **Phil Scholten, Nick Welch** and all military personnel.

Extended Family:

- ~Mindy Kalee (Casey & Sue's daughter) undergoing tests for possible cervical cancer.
- ~Brad Knitter (Kleis' brother-in-law) diagnosed with cancer on pancreas. Surgery to remove affected area was March 21.
- ~Charlie Tigchon (Rick's Dad) has been moved to an assisted living facility.
- ~Maddie Tomasko (friend of Lilly Johnson) diagnosed with leukemia.
- ~Shirley Jonker (Dianne Bennett's mother) is under Hospice care.
- ~Ron Vander Putte (Broome's nephew) late stage pancreatic cancer.
- ~Joan Lawton (Diephouse's daughter) back to work part-time.
- ~Doug Elzerman (Jane's brother) under Hospice care.
- ~Marcia Pollie (Sharon Dulyea's sister) continues chemo treatments.

Sympathy:

- Sympathy is expressed to **Hank & Nancy Jansen & family** at the death of Nancy's sister, **Marilyn Grindol**, on March 31.
- Sympathy is expressed to **Jane Spaman & family** at the death of her husband, **Ken Spaman**, on March 22.

Attendance / Finance:

- Last week's attendance: 288
- Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$11,376.80
- Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$195.00



Rockford Reformed Church
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Sunday, April 6, 2014 • Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am

“A Pure Heart”

Psalm 24:1-6 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Music: 8:45am – #8 Come Thou Almighty King, #45 Crown Him with Many Crowns, #305 Jesus Paid It All, #657 Cleanse Me
11:00am – The Earth Is Yours, Lord I Need You, Give Us Clean Hands, Speak O Lord

8:45am: Baptism of Olive Burke DeVries, daughter of Ryan & Megan DeVries

(NO Children's Worship TODAY)

Offering

Prayer (Nancy Steenwyk, Shepherd Elder)

Scripture

Message

Music: 8:45am – #815 Doxology
11:00am – 10,000 Reasons

Benediction

Postlude

Nursery - 8:45am: Beth Jennings 11:00am: Brenda Bouwkamp

Next Sunday:

“Pursuing Peace Amidst Persecution”

Matthew 5:1-11; Romans 12:14-18 • 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. All welcome!

NOTE: NO Sunday School Classes TODAY, April 6. Happy Spring!

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.

4-5pm: RRC Youth Choir (ages K-8th grade) meet in the Music Room. **NO** choir this week!

6:30pm: High School Youth Group (grades 9-12) **NO meeting tonight!**

This Week:

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

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

Wed, 6:30pm: Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8) **NO meeting this week!**

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Sun, April 13: Blood Pressure Screening after both services in Rm# 4.

- Palm Sunday**, April 13, Worship at 8:45am & 11:00am
- Maundy Thursday Communion Service**, April 17, 7:00pm in the sanctuary
- Community Good Friday Service**, April 18, 7:00pm at Bella Vista Church
- Easter Sunday**, April 20, Worship at 8:45am & 11:00am

Wed, April 16, 6:30pm: Derby Car Race! Hot Dog Concession. Invite family & friends!

Sat, April 19, 9:30am, Easter Egg Hunt & Family Breakfast: *Small Individually wrapped candy is needed.* Place your donations in the bin in the back of the sanctuary.

Thurs, May 1, 7:30am-7:30pm: National Day of Prayer at RRC.

Celebration Choir Rehearsals: 6:30pm on Tues, May 6 & Wed, May 14.
Perform May 18

Sat, May 10, 3pm-7pm: Farewell Open House for Pastor Rick & Nancy

Sat, May 31, 8:15am-12:15pm: “Engage” Ladies Day Event.

Golf Fellowship Night will be starting soon on Mondays at Cedar Chase Golf Course. Watch for details.



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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