

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 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 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:

- ~Mary Bennett (Dianne's step-daughter) diagnosed with liver failure.
- ~Sandy Oostdyk (daughter-in-law of Boyd's) diagnosed with breast cancer and is consulting with doctors.
- ~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.
- ~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: 240
- Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$11,222.90
- Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$385.00



Sunday, April 13, 2014 • Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am “Pursuing Peace Amidst Persecution”

Matthew 5:1-11; Romans 12:14-18 • Pastor Rick Tigchon

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Music: 8:45am – #297 Hosanna Loud Hosanna, #300 All Glory Laud and Honor, You Are My King (Amazing Love), Forgiven

11:00am – Hosanna (Praise is Rising), Hosanna (Hillsong),

You Are My King (Amazing Love), Forgiven

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

Children's Worship - 8:45am: Beth Jennings, Gideon McConnon 11:00am: Nancy Steenwyk, Kathy Commeret

Offering

Prayer (Suzanne Bredow, Shepherd Elder)

Scripture

Message

Music:

8:45am & 11:00am – Jesus Messiah

Benediction

Postlude

Nursery - 8:45am: Karen Bazen, Madelyn McConnon 11:00am: Becki Pilko, Alicia Stuckey, Kathryn Jacobs



Next Sunday:

“A Shared Victory”

Luke 24:1-11; I Corinthians 15:51-58 • 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

Want more info?

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

rockfordreformedchurch.org

Announcements

Today:

8:30am: Prayer Meeting in Rm #1. All welcome!

NOTE: NO Sunday School Classes next week April 20 - Happy Easter!

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.
- A Time with Pastor Rick – Questions you have always wanted to ask!

Blood Pressure Screening after both services in Rm# 4.

4-5pm: RRC Youth Choir (ages K-8th grade) meet in the Music Room.

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) ***(Great Ball Challenge!)***

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

Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:00pm in the sanctuary

Community Good Friday Service, 7:00pm at Bella Vista Church

Sat, 9:30am, Easter Egg Hunt & Family Breakfast. Invite friends & family!

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Easter Sunday, April 20, Worship at 8:45am & 11:00am

Sat, April 26, Adult Singles Lunch at Blue Water Grill then back to church for games. RSVP w/Carol Knox @ 866-4845.

Sun, Apr 27, 10am: MS Mission Trip Meeting in the youth room for parents of youth who are interested in the local summer mission trip (Grand Rapids).

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 both services on May 18.

May 9-11: HS Boys and HS Girls Retreats. (\$30 due before April 27, \$45 after)

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: _____
