

raise them in the _____ and
_____ of the Lord.

Life Application questions

❖Do you believe that the Holy Spirit is working in your children right now, and do you watch for and encourage what God is doing in their lives? ❖How is God prompting you to express your faith to your children? ❖How might God be prompting you to participate in raising the children of our congregation in the training and instruction of the Lord?

Sermon audio and notes are available online at
www.rockfordreformedchurch.org/sermons-2/

Prayer Fellowship

Recovery & Intercession:

- ~Be in prayer for the **High School youth and leaders** who left this morning for their **mission trip** to Whitley, KY. They return on June 18.
- ~Pray for all of our young people attending **summer camps**.
- ~**Lucy Layman** is recovering from pulled ligaments in her right knee.
- ~**Nancy Jansen** had add'l emergency surgery on 6/7 to have abscesses drained.
- ~**Sharon Dulyea** is recovering from back surgery on May 26.
- ~**Danae Brownell** is studying abroad in Chile, then volunteering in Peru & Mexico until July 11. Blog: www.danaebrownell.wix.com/abroadadventure
- ~**Elaine Pierson** is in Hospice care at Raybrook Manor.
- ~**Dave Mundwiler** test results show stable! Continues treatments every 3 weeks.
- ~**Bill Boyd** continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.
- ~**Ray Dulyea** continued prayer his kidney "numbers" will not change.
- ~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:

- ~**Kathy Lambers** (friend of Bergman's) 6th battle with Leiomyosarcoma.
- ~**Helen Heemstra** (Terri Katsma's mom) undergoing chemo treatments.
- ~**Russ VerMerris** (Kevin's dad) continues chemo treatments.
- ~**Dawson Babiak** (nephew of VandenHeuvels) in maintenance phase of chemo.
- ~**Jan Lapp** (Tyler's mom) diagnosed with stage 4 stomach cancer and starting chemo.

Praise & Thanksgiving:

Congratulations to **Bill & Jean Stadt** who celebrated **60 years** of marriage on June 8.

Congratulations to **Pastor Ken & Ruth Westrate** who celebrated **55 years** of marriage on June 9.

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.

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 (bulletin insert).

Prayer time: We will pray together a couple of times throughout the service.

Refreshments: Join us for coffee in the lobby 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 parent-infant 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 112 on the lower level. Children 8 and older are encouraged to remain in the service with their parents. Children's bulletins are available.

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 in the lobby or visit our website: rockfordreformedchurch.org.

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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Rockford Reformed Church
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Sunday, June 12, 2016

Worship @ 9:30am

My One Comfort

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF WORSHIP

10,000 Reasons, How He Loves, It Is Well

Children (ages 3-7) are invited to Children's Worship downstairs

OFFERING

Rejoice

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:38-39 and others (p.832)

MESSAGE

"The Sacraments: The Reformed View of Baptism"

Pastor Paul Bradford

RESPONSE

Be Thou My Vision

CLOSING BLESSING

Today's Nursery Volunteers:

(9:30am) Cheri & Sarah Pastula, Megan DeVries

Today's Children's Worship Volunteers:

(9:30am) Krista & Abby Vanden Heuvel, Olivia Pastula

Next Sunday: "The Christian Family: The Christian Marriage"

Ephesians 5:31-33 (p.892) • Pastor Paul Bradford

What's Going On?

Today:

9:05am: Prayer in Pastor Paul's office to pray over the services. All welcome!

Blood Pressure Screening today after the service in Rm#211.

Sunday School will resume in the Fall

Praise In The Park, 6:00pm: Garden Park Stage, downtown Rockford on the banks of the Rogue River. Today: Rockford Reformed Church

This Week:

Mondays, Tee Times from 5:00-5:30pm: Open Golf at Cedar Chase Golf Club.

Cost is \$15 (includes cart & 9 holes) Contact Jerry Coon @ 866-4704 for more info.

Tuesdays, 7:00am: Men's Prayer Breakfast. Join us any time. .

Every other Saturday, 7-8am: Men's Study Breakfast. "Guardrails" (avoiding regrets in your life). Meet in the Fireside Rm #253. Contact Kevin Johnson with questions. Next Meeting June 18.

Announcements/Events - GENERAL:

Mailboxes and bulletin boards are in the church office hallway.

Communion: 1st Sunday of every month

Sat, June 18: Alpha Family Center 5K Life Walk Event – Prayer Warrior for Life! Call Alpha Family Center @ 696-2616 for more info.

Legacy 2016, June 23-24: A Conference about Missions, Muslims, and the Heart of God. Let Pastor Paul know if you are interested in attending with him!

Sat, June 25, 1:00pm: Adult Singles Group. Lunch at Kelly's Restaurant in Cedar Springs, then back to church for dessert & fun. RSVP w/Carol 866-4845.

Sun, June 26: Grad Sunday. Help us celebrate all of our graduates! Be sure Brian Ellis has your graduation information. brian@rockfordrc.org

Sun, July 24 – Wed, July 27, 6-8pm: "Cave Quest" Vacation Bible School for ages 3 years through those who have completed 5th grade. Register your children now at www.rockfordreformedchurch.org/vbs/

Women's Ministry Survey. Ladies – in your mail folder you will find a survey about Women's Ministry (printed on fusia paper). Please take time to fill it out and place it in the Adult Ministry mail slot. Your input is important! Deadline is June 30.

Wed, July 6, 10:00am: Adult Fellowship Group. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, goodies and great conversation. All welcome!

After Service Socials start Sunday, June 26 with the Grad Sunday Celebration.

On-line Giving: You can give directly from your phone or computer! There's a link to the form on the front page of our website www.RockfordReformedChurch.org



Sweet Volunteer Opportunity: Help put labels on cookies an "Hearts for Orphans" Ministry. Contact Rebecca Cruttenden for more info: 616-706-3614 or rebecca@teamorphans.com

Summer Worship Schedule: 9:30am (one service) June 12 – September 4

Announcements/Events - YOUTH:

Brian Ellis: brian@rockfordrc.org

Sunday School and weekly Youth Groups will resume in the Fall

Mission Trips: HS June 12-18, MS July 31-Aug 6

Announcements/Events - CHILDREN:

Children's Ministries – Beth Jennings, Director: beth@rockfordrc.org

Pioneer Clubs – Laura Jolliffe, Coordinator: laura@rockfordrc.org

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Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 248

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$9,817.91

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$430.00

The Reformed View of Baptism

3rd in Series: The Sacraments

Text: Acts 2:38-39 and others

Sunday: 6/12/2016

Intro

God's Word

- Should infants be baptized? The Bible _____, and history _____, that _____ were baptized as an expression of God's _____.**
 - God's covenant is not with _____ in isolation, but with _____.
 - The practice of infant baptism was nearly _____ in the _____ church.
- Does baptism save us? _____, we are saved as we _____ in Jesus to _____ us and give us _____ by the Spirit; baptism is a _____ and _____ of Christ's saving work.**
- Are those who die in infancy saved? We believe that children who have _____ Christ are _____.**
- What responsibility does infant baptism place upon parents? We must _____ God's promise for our children, raising them in homes full of _____ and _____.**
- What response does infant baptism call for from our children? Baptism testifies that the _____ is at work in our children; they must _____ to God's work by putting their trust in _____ as their _____ and _____.**

Our Response

Let us embrace the _____ work of the Holy Spirit proclaimed in our children's _____, and together