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Rockford Reformed Church



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New With Us?

First of all, welcome! Thank you for joining us this weekend! Here are few tips to help your morning go smoother.

- Please fill out a **connection card**. Put it into the offering plate when it comes by, or into one of the drop boxes by the sanctuary entrances.
- Please don't feel obligated to participate in the **offering**. The offering is for members and regular attenders who consider RRC their home.
- All baptized followers of Christ, including children, are invited to participate in **communion** (first Sunday of every month). RRC uses grape juice and gluten-free bread.
- A **prayer team** is available at the front of the sanctuary after each service to pray with those who want an extra time of prayer.
- If you have **children**, they are welcome to remain with you throughout the service, or you can choose from different options:
 - **KidLife Worship** (3 years-3rd grade) - available during the worship service on the lower level. Check-in is in the Fellowship Hall, Room 100 (directly below the sanctuary). Children may start service there, or go after our opening music in the sanctuary.
 - **KidLife Nursery** (0-3 years) - Room 241 (upper level of gym).
 - **Parent-Infant Room** - available near the back of the sanctuary for fussy children and nursing mothers.
 - **Children's bulletins** and crayons are available near the lobby stairs.

What's Next?

If you want to become more connected to RRC, the next step is to simply show up. Regularly attending Sunday worship services is a great start. We also offer a variety of programs and activities throughout the week to help you grow in your relationship with Jesus and with others. You are welcome to check out our programs at any time. If you have any questions or need some suggestions, please contact the front office (616-866-2308, connect@rockfordrc.org).

If you are interested in membership, call the front office and we'll schedule you for our next Discovery Class.

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Order of Service

Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Jesus

Welcome & Announcements

Youth Mission Trip Presentation

Songs of Worship

All Creatures

In Tenderness

*** Children are invited to KidLife downstairs*

Nothing But the Blood

Offering

Marvelous Light

Prayer & Message

"Freedom & Fruit"

Galatians 5:13-26 (p. 889)

Branson Parler

Professor of Theological Studies, Kuyper College;

Director of Faith Formation, Fourth Reformed Church, Grand Rapids

Response

My One Comfort

Closing Blessing

Next Week

"Settling Down & Passing Through"

Genesis 19:1-29

Rev. Tim Meendering

welcome to Rockford Reformed Church!

In this program you will find today's order of worship, along with announcements, a calendar, prayer requests, and more. If this is your first time here, please stop by our welcome table in the lobby and pick up a gift bag! See the back page for visitor info.

notes

Day 29
keep praying!

sermons available online at RockfordRC.org/sermons-2

What's Going On?

- Sun** 9:35am **Pre-Service Prayer** in Room 212 to pray over the service. All welcome!
- 10:00am **Worship Service** (sanctuary)
 • KidLife Worship (3 years – 3rd grade); check-in downstairs Room 100
- 11:15am **After-Service Social** (gym) - hosted by the Deacons
- 11:15am **Table Talks** (Fireside Room 253) - no meeting today
- 6:00pm **Praise in the Park** (Rockford dam) - music by Bridgeway Community Church
- Mon** 5:00pm **RRC Golf @ Cedar Chase** (7551 17 Mile Road, Cedar Springs)
 • \$15. No reservations needed; call Jerry Coon w/questions: 616-204-3858
- Tue** 7:00am **Men's Prayer Breakfast** (Fellowship Hall 100)
- 6:30pm **RRC Softball** - vs. Blythefield Hills 1 @ North Kent Bible
- Sat** 1:00pm **Adult Singles Lunch**
 • Cedar Springs Brewing Company. RSVP with Carol Knox, 866-4845.

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Announcements

Adult Fellowship Lunch: Wednesday, August 1 - Meet at Rio Grand Steakhouse at noon. Please RSVP to Wilma Rottman (866-2389).

Calling All Cooks! The Wednesday night dinner cooking crew is looking for more people. It is a joy working in the kitchen with old and new friends while preparing and serving dinner for an amazing group of people from Rockford Reformed Church and the community. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Middle School Event - Tree Runner Adventure Park: Wednesday, August 22, 5:30-9:15pm. Drop off and pick up at church. Cost is \$20. Please email Brian by August 19 to sign up.

Table Talks: This summer, Pastor Tim will meet with one care group at a time after the worship service to share a bit of what we are up to during the transition and for you to ask questions. **If you are away on the day assigned to your care group, you are welcome to join us on another day.** No meeting today. Final meeting: Care Group 4 on July 29.

After-Service Socials: Join us in the gym following service each Sunday this summer for a chance to meet, greet, and eat!

Prayer

Recovery & Intercession

- **Jean Boyd** - continues to go through additional tests and biopsies - please pray for peace and encouragement for Jean and her family.
- **Ray Dulyea** - continues dialysis.
- **Dave Mundwiler** - receiving hospice care.
- **Bill Boyd** - continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.
- Medical concerns of various Haiti individuals, especially **Jorvens**.
- Be in prayer for all military personnel, people searching for jobs, and disaster victims, especially those in Guatemala and for Paradise Bound Ministries located there.

Extended Family

- **Judy Handanch** (Terri Katsma's sister) - continues cancer treatments, some improvement.
- **Helen Heemstra** (Terri Katsma's mom) - cancer has spread throughout her body.

We are currently on day 29 of our Prayer Challenge. A few weeks ago we were challenged to record the first names of not-yet-believers on sticky notes and pray daily for them for 90 days, asking God to draw them to himself and asking him to provide an opportunity for us to speak to them about Jesus. The sticky notes will be displayed at the front of the sanctuary for the full 90 days as a reminder. You may continue to add names throughout the challenge. Let us all pray and act daily toward our co-workers, family members, neighbors, and friends. And then we will look forward to sharing the stories of how God works through our prayers!

Debt Reduction Countdown: Thank you for faithfully giving toward paying down our debt on the Family Life Center! We are close to paying the loan off. Help us reach our goal of becoming debt-free by May of 2019!

\$676,000 of \$763,000 paid

\$87,000 remaining



Attendance & Giving

You can give directly from your phone or computer. Look for the link on the front page of our website. Contact the office if you would like offering envelopes.

Last week's attendance:	184
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering:	\$9,001.20
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering:	\$970

For a full listing of all of our events, announcements, volunteer needs, and more, be sure to sign up for the eBeacon, emailed every Friday. Contact the church office at connect@rockfordrc.org and ask to be put on the list. Paper copies are available for those without email.