



# 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**  
*Nailed to the Cross*

### Welcome & Announcements

**Songs of Worship**  
*Build Your Kingdom Here*  
*\*\* Children are invited to KidLife downstairs*  
*Burn Like a Star*  
*My Lighthouse*

**Offering**  
*Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*

**Prayer & Message**  
"Choosing What Matters"  
1 Thessalonians 2:19-20 (p. 900)  
Rev. Tim Meendering

**Response**  
*Arms Open Wide*

### Closing Blessing

**Next Week**  
"Love at the Table"  
Luke 7:36-39  
Rev. Tim Meendering  
Communion

# 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

## 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 **Sunday School**  
 • Adults – *Digging Deeper* – Fireside Room 253, led by Kevin Johnson  
 • **High School** – Room 246, **Middle School** – Youth Room 153  
 • **Children** – Fellowship Hall check-in  
 6:00pm **Discovery Class** (Fireside Room 253)  
 6:30pm **High School Youth Group** (Youth Room 153)
- 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)  
 9:30am **Women's Tuesday Bible Study** (Room 212)  
 • Topic: *Behold Your God: Studies on the Attributes of God*
- Wed** 12:00pm **Adult Fellowship Potluck** (Fellowship Hall)  
 6:00pm **Family Dinner** (gym)  
 6:30pm **KidLife Club** (3 years - 5th grade)  
 6:30pm **Middle School Youth Group** (Youth Room 153)  
 6:45pm **Adult Bible Studies**  
 • *Grace/Truth 1.0*, led by Tim Meendering (Fireside Room 253)  
 • *Tough As Nails*, women's study led by Polly Johnson (Room 250)

## Coming up...

- October 10 - **Flu Vaccination Clinic** – 5:00-6:30 in Room 141  
 October 12 - **REAL Men**  
 October 25 - **Ladies Book Club** – *The House With a Clock in Its Walls* by John Bellairs  
 October 27 - **Adult Singles Lunch**

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](mailto:connect@rockfordrc.org) and ask to be put on the list. Paper copies are available for those without email.

## Announcements

**Consistory Nominations: Due Today.** Nomination forms and a list of eligible members are in the back of the sanctuary.

**Missions Donation Bin: Items Due Today.** This month we are collecting items for Alpha Family Center of Cedar Springs. If you would like to donate, please place these items in the large wooden bin in our front lobby. Needed items: diaper wipes, newborn onesies (size 0-3 months), baby shampoo, baby lotion, hooded bath towels.

**Grace/Truth 1.0:** If you signed up for this class, please **pick up your book** near the mail folders (one per couple). Please read Welcome and Conversation One prior to the first class this Wednesday.

**The Gospel Comes With a House Key:** This class has been postponed until later in the year.



### Immediate Volunteer Needs

- 5 van drivers for Wednesday evenings
- **KidLife Club** (begins October 3)
  - Boys 3&4 grade leader
  - Pre-K high school youth helper
- **KidLife Sunday School** (began September 16)
  - Pre-K: two adult leaders
  - Elementary leaders/helper (alternating weeks)
- Kids Hope mentors (multiple)
- Brew Crew (multiple)

## 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.
- **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.

### 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.

### Sympathy

- **Dave Mundwiler's** memorial service will take place tomorrow, October 1 here at church. Visitation at 11am, service at 1pm.
- Sympathy is expressed to Howard and Marcia Shanken at the death of Howard's brother, **Robert (Bob) Shanken**, on September 18.

Thank you to those who have already turned in the information update sheet. We've heard from almost half of you. If you haven't yet turned in your sheet, please take a few minutes to fill one out today! You can place them in one of the connection card boxes or in Laura Jolliffe's mail box.



### 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:	263
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering:	\$11,124.50
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering:	\$2,860