



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

Kids

Welcome & Call to Worship

All Creatures

How Marvelous

*** Children are invited to KidLife downstairs*

How Firm a Foundation

Offering

Come Thou Fount

Announcements

Prayer & Message

"Courageously Different"

Daniel 6 (p. 681)

Rev. Tim Meendering

Response

Cornerstone

Closing Blessing

Next Week

"Coming Home"

Hosea 14:1-9 (p. 695)

Rev. Tim Meendering

Blood pressure screening available after service in Room 211.

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

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 **Sunday School**
 • Adults – *Digging Deeper* – Fireside Room 253, led by Brian Ellis
 • **High School** – Room 246, **Middle School** – Youth Room 153
 • **Children** – Fellowship Hall check-in
 6:30pm **High School Youth Group** (Youth Room 153)
- 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** 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)
- Sat** 6:00pm **Middle School Griffins Game**

Coming up...

- October 24 - **Spark in the Dark** — 6-8pm in the gym. Adult Bible studies will not meet.
 October 25 - **Ladies Book Club** — *The House With a Clock in Its Walls* by John Bellairs.
 October 26 - **REAL Men** — 7-8am in the Fireside Room.
 October 27 - **Single Women's Lunch** — Lunch at Bravo, followed by games and dessert in the Fireside Room. RSVP with Carol Knox, 866-4845.
 October 28 - **Middle School Fundraiser Dinner** — In the gym following the Sunday School hour (12:15pm)

Volunteer Needs

- Prayer partners for high schoolers - 5 girls and 4 boys. Contact Roger Hoogewind (616-401-8631).
- KidLife Worship and KidLife Sunday School Pre-K leaders. Contact Beth Jennings (beth@rockfordrc.org).
- Kids Hope mentors. Contact Emillie Clayton (emillie@rockfordrc.org).



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.

Announcements



Candy donations needed for Spark in the Dark!

Please bring to the lobby by October 21. This annual event takes place on Wednesday, October 24 from 6-8pm in the gym. Carnival games, face painting, activities, pie-eating contests, and more! Hot dogs, chips, and a drink served concession-style beginning at 6pm.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thanksgiving Food Drive for North Kent Connect:

Please bring donations to the bin in the lobby by November 11. Needs include monetary donation for turkeys (can be turned in with offering or to the front office), stuffing, low-sodium canned vegetables (carrots, yams, green beans, etc.), boxed potatoes, canned fruit (peaches, pears, mandarin oranges, cranberries, etc.), gravy (no glass containers), pie crust and filling.

Middle School Griffins Game: Saturday, October 20, 6-9:45pm. Students need to be at church at 6pm, and we will return at approximately 9:45pm. Student cost is \$15. This is a great event to invite a friend to - and the friend is free! Please contact Brian with any questions.

Prayer

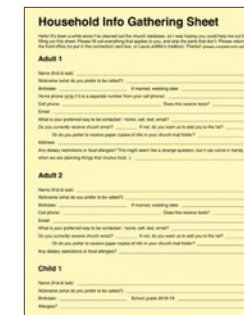
Recovery & Intercession

- **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.

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Thank you to those who have already turned in the information update sheet. **We've heard from 70 households so far** (out of about 150). 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.

Desserts Needed for Wednesday Dinners: There is an ongoing need (through next March) for desserts for Wednesday night Family Dinners. Packaged cookies work out well and last a while. If you would like to bring in a freshly-made dessert, please contact Terri Katsma (616-292-8230).



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:	231
Last week's Ministry & Missions offering:	\$8,673.77
Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering:	\$3,635