

SERMON NOTES

2 Corinthians 3:18 – Mirror Image of Jesus

Questions for family/small group discussions:

1. Why do you think we all so deeply long for and celebrate transformations? What are some evidences in our culture, media, books, and in your own life that reveal the deep desire for transformation?
2. What are some ways that you would describe what it means to be transformed into an ever-increasing image of Jesus?

Three characteristics of our transformation into the image of Jesus:

1. The _____ of being transformed.

- a. When you consider 2 Cor. 4:6, 2 Peter 1:3-4, and other texts, how does God work or what are some of God's provisions for our transformation?
- b. How do we see the gospel working here? What is the relationship between seeing/absorbing the glory of Jesus and the transformation of our heart and life?

2. Transformation is _____.

- a. What is some of the hope and joy that is communicated in 2 Cor. 3:18 and 1 John 3:2?
- b. How would you say that you are doing in becoming more like Christ? How would your spouse, kids, parents, or friends say that you are doing in becoming more like Jesus? What are some of the primary evidences that you are making progress?

3. We must possess the _____.

- a. What do Romans 8:29, 2 Cor. 4:4, and Col 1:15 say about who is the model or prototype that we are to embrace and imitate? Why do you think we are so dependent on Jesus for deep and genuine beauty?
- b. Since we are transformed to the degree that we see, embrace, and trust in Jesus, what could be some key steps that you could take to increasingly see and embrace his glory?
- c. What is some ugliness in your heart and life that you could focus on for confession and repentance? Take time to do this and come to Jesus with faith and confidence to possess and embrace Jesus as he opens his arms to welcome you.



Order of Worship

Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude	<i>Oh Great is Our God</i>
Moment for Missions	Middle School Mission Trip
Call to Worship	<i>Grace Alone</i> <i>My One Comfort</i> <i>** Kids are invited to KidLife downstairs</i> <i>In Christ Alone</i>
Offering	<i>Build Your Kingdom Here</i>
Prayer & Message	“Mirror Image of Jesus” 2 Corinthians 3:18 (p. 965) Rev Tim Meendering
Communion	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i>

Join us in the gym for the After-Service Social hosted by the Deacons.

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!



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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: 225 • **Last week's offering:** \$9,950

PRAYER

Jean Boyd - pray as she continues through chemotherapy treatments.

Bill Boyd - continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.



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WHERE DO MY KIDS GO?



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 - 2nd grade) - Check-in is in the Fellowship Hall, Room 100 (directly below the sanctuary). Kids may start service here, or go after our opening music in the sanctuary.

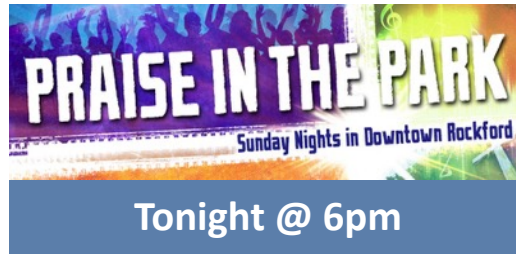
KidLife Nursery (0-3 years) - Room 241 (upper level of gym).

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.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
8/25 10a Worship Service After-Service Social 6p RRC @ Praise in the Park	8/26 5p Golf	8/27 7:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast	8/28	8/29	8/30	8/31
9/1 10a Worship Service After-Service Social	9/2 5p Golf	9/3 7:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast	9/4 10a Adult Fellowship	9/5	9/6	9/7
9/8 10a Worship Service SeptemberFest	9/9 5p Golf	9/10 7:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:30a Women's Bible study	9/11	9/12	9/13	9/14

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



Tonight @ 6pm

Check your kids in with an email! Send it to rrc.check.in@gmail.com with your child(ren)'s names as the subject line. Whoever is at the check-in computer downstairs will sign you in and have your name tags ready to go.

Adult Fellowship - Wednesday, September 4, 10am coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

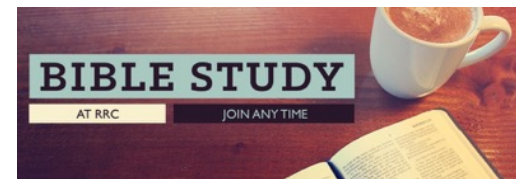
Ladies Book Club - Thursday, September 26, 7-8:30pm in the Fireside Room. September's book is *Code Name: Lise* by Larry Loftis.

Single Ladies' Lunch - Saturday, September 28, 1pm. Lunch at Swan Inn, then back to the Fireside Room for games and dessert. Please RSVP with Carol Knox, 866-4845.

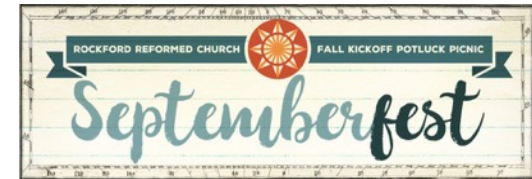
Men's Prayer Breakfast - Tuesdays at 7am in the Fellowship Hall. Join us any time. Fellowship, prayer, coffee, and maybe donuts!



Our RRC softball team has finished their season, taking 3rd place in the tournament. They would like to thank everyone who came and supported them throughout the season.



Women's Tuesday Bible Study: Begins September 10, 9:30-11am in Room 212. Topic will be *Nehemiah: The Courage to Face Opposition*. Nehemiah was a leader who faced opposition and difficulty from every side - even from his own people. Yet he stood against the enemy and trusted God. Although we may never confront our enemies in war, we can learn from Nehemiah's courage and faith as we struggle with the world and its values.



SeptemberFest: Sunday, September 8 is our annual SeptemberFest! We will be having our worship service outdoors followed by an all-church picnic. Details will be posted soon!

Fall Programming Start Dates

Details will be posted in the coming weeks

- 9/10: Tuesday Women's Bible Study
- 9/15: Sunday School
- 9/22: High School Bonfire
- 9/25: Middle School Bonfire
- 9/26: Ladies' Book Club
- 9/28: Single Ladies' Lunch
- 10/2: Family Dinner
- 10/2: KidLife Club
- 10/2: Adult Bible Studies