

OCTOBER 9, 2025

This week's sermon
"Finding Joy in Failure" 1 John 1:3-2:2 (NIV)

Failure is part of life. It sometimes forces us to face reality and can, with the right perspective, actually be freeing. Confession and repentance guide us into the light of forgiveness that produces joy and growth. You can download the sermon outline [HERE](#) or pick up a printed copy on Sunday morning.

WORSHIP COORDINATOR JOB DESCRIPTION UPDATE

The search team continues looking for applicants. To appeal to a broader pool, we shifted the role from fully planning services to coordinating the various aspects of the worship service, such as communicating with the AV team, choir directors, and office staff - making sure all the pieces of the service fit together. The liturgy writing and planning will continue to be done by our Worship Planning Team and the office will create the slides and printed materials.

We are looking for an organized person to effectively coordinate our worship services so that we can glorify God in a reverential and joyful manner.

Please prayerfully consider stepping up to this new role. See Becky Hughes if you would like to learn more about the new job description.



Please join us **THIS SUNDAY** as we praise and thank God for all he is doing at Rochester CRC. We will use some of our prayer time to seek God's blessing on our ministry to children and youth and the upcoming theology conference.



We're now two years away from our 150th, and we'd love to hear your stories about your faith journeys at RCRC! Would you like to interview someone or be interviewed? Please let us know!

Jan Huussen, Ann Michele Bouwmeester,
and Tim Vande Brake

VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

Nursery
Jennifer Leakey and Claire Hughes

Ushers
Beth and Phil Tschorke

Coffee Service & Cleanup
Brook or Peg Chambery and Drew Saldone
Tim and Becky Hughes

RCRC Financial Status

As is typical during a pastoral vacancy, both expenses and donations for RCRC's general operations are less than in typical years, but, as of the end of September, donations are slightly above expenses. However, the last quarter of the year has some large one-time expenses, so we anticipate about \$100K of remaining expenses. This is less than 1/4 of our original budget, but more than our average quarterly donations so far this year. Your continued donations are appreciated and contribute to the smooth functioning of our ministries. Contact David Cok if you have any questions.

Pastor Rich's Contact Information

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This is a reminder that Pastor Rich only uses this @gmail address and all emails from the church will come from an address ending in **@rochestercrc.org**



Clothing Racks Needed

The Christmas Pageant needs to borrow one or two clothing racks to hang costumes.

Please contact Bethany Miller
kids@rochestercrc.org

ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE & CRAFT SHOW

Bakers, Crafters, and
Volunteers Needed.
Sign up in the Narthex

Tuesday November 4



Chicken Parmesan

Koinonia
Dinner

Wed., 10/15
6:00 PM



Are you on Facebook?

So is the Theology Conference.

Please click on [THIS LINK](#) to respond and share the event with friends.

If you still aren't sure about attending, listen to [this podcast](#) with our speaker. She is truly an accessible academic with both a deep understanding of historic reformed theology and its application in current days.

Theology Conference 2025

Rochester CRC | October 18-19



With Special Guest:

Dr. Jessica Joustra

Jessica Joustra (PhD Fuller Theological Seminary, Vrije Universiteit) is Associate Professor of Religion and Theology and Director of the Albert M. Wolters Centre for Christian Scholarship at Redeemer University (Hamilton, ON) and Associate Researcher at the Neo-Calvinist Research Institute (Theologische Universiteit Utrecht). She and her family are members of Immanuel CRC in Hamilton, ON.

Join us **Saturday, October 18 and Sunday, October 19** as we explore what it looks like to imitate Christ in our lives, drawing insight from the works of Herman Bavinck and Abraham Kuyper.

SATURDAY

Bagels & Coffee

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

A gluten-free option will be available

General Session

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Topic: The Imitation of Christ

Academic Session

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM *

Topic: Calvinism and the Future

*Registration is required for Saturday's academic session.

SUNDAY

Adult Sunday School

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Topic: Cultural Engagement

Conference attendees are also welcome to join us for our regular Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Childcare will be provided for children ages birth - 5 years for Saturday morning's General Session and Sunday after church. Please register for childcare at rochestercrc.org/events.

Reading Materials for each session are provided on our website. To find out more, or to register for Saturday's academic session go to rochestercrc.org/events.



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