

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 24I (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 & Announcements

Songs of Worship

How Majestic
Come Ye Sinners
** Children are invited to KidLife downstairs
A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Offering

Come Thou Fount

Prayer & Message

"True Worship" John 4:1-26 (p. 812) Mike Fisk

Response

Nothing But the Blood

Closing Blessing

Next Week

"Gumby God, Gospel Pottery" I Samuel 13:1-15 (p. 207) 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 50		
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 Elders
	6:00pm	Praise in the Park (Rockford dam) - music by The Point 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)



Today's Special Offering - J.A.M.

This summer, Rockford Reformed Church had several members head to Haiti to work alongside the Haiti Foundation Against Poverty. While in Haiti, they had the opportunity to launch a children's ministry titled JAM. JAM stands for Jezi ak mwen in Haitian Creole (Jesus and Me) and allows children at Rendezvous Church in Port-au-Prince to attend purposeful children's programming during the Sunday church service.

During our team's week in Haiti, three rooms were transformed into age-appropriate learning spaces. Children are now able to gather each Sunday for a time of worship, Bible study, and prayer in a place that glorifies Him. Although much was accomplished during our week in Haiti (walls painted, rooms decorated, furniture purchased, curriculum reviewed, leaders trained), there is still more to be done.

Please prayerfully consider giving a special offering specifically for the JAM program today! We want this program to be sustainable and a model for other churches in Haiti. In order to make this happen, we need to continue investing in the program.

Mesi anpil! Thank you!

Please make checks out to RRC Missions and put JAM in the memo space. If you give online, select "other" when it asks which fund you are donating to. You can specify Haiti JAM in the comments section.

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

Middle School Small Group Leaders Needed.

We still have 3 positions we need to fill: 2 female leaders for High School (meets Sunday evenings) and I female leader for Middle School (meets Wednesday evenings). Please contact Brian Ellis.

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.

Toilet Paper Drive: North Kent Connect is in need of toilet paper donations. During the month of August we will have a wooden crate in the lobby to collect your donations, which we will then deliver to NKC.

Keep Praying! We are currently on day 50 of our Prayer Challenge. Several 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!

Save the Date!

Sunday, September 9 is our annual SeptemberFest! We are taking things outdoors for an all-church picnic, complete with music, games, activities, prizes, and delicious food. New this year - our worship service will take place outdoors! More information will be posted in the coming weeks.

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.

Sympathy

• Sympathy is expressed to **Brian & Sharene Fleetham** at the death of Sharene's father, George Halbert, on August 8.

Praise & Thanksgiving

- Congratulations to **Tony & Kate Lam** on the birth of their son, Jackson Daniel, on July 17.
- **Corinne Brower** wants to thank the congregation for being so welcoming. She hopes to someday learn everyone's names!



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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: 147

Last week's Ministry & \$7,544.19

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$220