

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

Be A Lamp

Welcome & Call to Worship

How Great Thou Art ** Children are invited to KidLife downstairs *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)* The Solid Rock

Offering

Kids

Baptism

Felicity Josephine Pilko

Prayer & Message

"Real Knowledge" I Corinthians 8 (p. 873) Rev. Tim Meendering

Response

The Wonderful Cross

Closing Blessing

Next Week

"Responding to Grace" 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Scott Lokers

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.

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What's Going On?

Sun	9:35am 10:00am	 Pre-Service Prayer in Room 212 to pray over the service. All welcome! Worship Service (sanctuary) KidLife Worship (3 years – 3rd grade); check-in downstairs Room 100 Blood pressure screening after service in Room 211
	11:15am	 Sunday School Adults – Digging Deeper – Fireside Room 253, led by Meg DeVries 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 9:30am	 Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall 100) Women's Tuesday Bible Study (Room 212) Topic: Behold Your God: Studies on the Attributes of God
Wed	6:00pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 6:45pm	Family Dinner (gym) KidLife Club (3 years - 5th grade) Middle School Youth Group (Youth Room 153) Adult Bible Studies • Grace/Truth 1.0, led by Tim Meendering (Fireside Room 253) (also available at 4:30) • Before Amen, women's study led by Polly Johnson (Room 250)

Dear Congregation,

It is our joy to share the latest news in the pastoral search process. As was previously communicated, Scott Lokers met with the elders, deacons, and church staff regarding pastoral qualities needed to lead Rockford Reformed Church. In addition, he facilitated the survey sent to you asking these same questions. Consistory met with Scott on Tuesday evening to evaluate all responses, and had a time for prayer and conversation with Pastor Tim. We are thrilled to tell you that after this discussion, consistory unanimously agreed to call Pastor Tim Meendering to Rockford Reformed Church, subject to a congregational vote of affirmation. This vote will take place at our annual congregational update meeting on December 2. If you have any questions, please reach out to your elder/deacon team, Pastor Tim, or any member of consistory. We ask for your ongoing prayers for Pastor Tim and Ruth, along with Rockford Reformed Church, as all of us together continue through this transition work. God is so good!

In Christ, Your RRC Consistory

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

Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday,

December 2, 5pm in the sanctuary. On the agenda: vote of affirmation for elder and deacon candidates and for Pastor Tim serving as our next pastor; 2019 budget. Absentee ballots will be available starting Nov. 18 in the back of the sanctuary. Nursery available.

Hymn Sing: Sunday, December 9, 4pm in the Sanctuary. This event is for anyone who loves to sing praises to God!

Rockford Christmas Celebration: Friday, Dec. 14, 7-9pm. Join local residents and guests in celebrating our Savior's birth at the "Rockford Christmas Celebration & Live Nativity" to be held in downtown Rockford at Speed Merchants Bicycle Shop.

Middle School All-Nighter @ 3 Mile Project: Nov. 30-

Dec. I. Join other area middle schoolers for an allnighter at 3 Mile Project. See Brian for more info. \$20 if you sign up before Thanksgiving break, \$30 after.

Middle School Refrect: January 18-20, 2019. The Middle Schoolers will be at Center Lake Bible Camp for this year's winter retreat. Signup deadline is January 6. Cost is \$50.

Parents' Night Out: Friday, December 7, 5:30-8pm. Drop off your kids (ages infant through 5th grade) in the gym and enjoy a few hours of freedom! Our youth group will be providing care (overseen by Beth and Brian). Dinner and snacks will be provided. Please RSVP to Beth Jennings. Donations will be accepted to go towards the youth accounts.

Save the Date: Our annual Youth Garage Sale is set for Saturday, March 16 from 9am-2pm. Start saving your stuff to donate towards one of our biggest fundraisers of the year!

Prayer

Recovery & Intercession

- **Jean Boyd** pray as she continues through chemotherapy treatments.
- Ray Dulyea kidney transplant went well, we praise God for his provision.
- **Bill Boyd** continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.
- Joan Moore recovering from foot surgery on October 30.
- 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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Coming Up...

Ladies Book Club: November 29 (*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Annie Barrows and Mary Ann Shaffer)

REAL Men: November 30

Adult Fellowship: December 5 potluck at noon

Adult Single Women's Lunch: December 8 (Lunch at Timbers Inn, then to Mary's for dessert; RSVP with Carol Knox, 866-4845)



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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: 240

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering:

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering:

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