

SERMON NOTES

John 2:1-11 – What Are You Drinking?

Questions for family/small group discussions:

- 1. On a scale of 1-10, what is most commonly your level of joy? What is it that most often sucks the joy out of your heart/life?
- 2. When you read John 20:28-31 and John 2:11, what is the purpose of the miracle and story of our text in John 2?

Jesus reveals himself in two ways:

1. Tasted \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Read Psalm 34:8. Many people believe in Jesus but there are few who taste, feast on, and delight in him. Is this your experience and when/how do you most truly delight in him?
- b. Read Isaiah 25:6-8. How do the truths of this prophecy impact us today and give us hope for the future? Since Jesus is the Lord and Master of this great banquet feast, what does this say about who he is and what he is doing? What does it say about who we are and what we are to be doing?

2. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

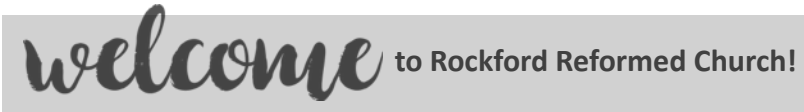
- a. Read John 15:9. Jesus knows you into the core of your being and yet sees you as stunningly beautiful and longs for you to come home as his bride. What are some ways that Jesus has demonstrated this love? How does this love change you, your relationships and your mission?
- b. Read Zeph. 3:14-17. What aspects of this prophecy are most striking to you? What does this text say about Christ’s character and how does this impact your heart/life?
- c. Read John 4:10. What most often keeps us from asking for the drink that Jesus offers to us every day? What has been your experience in asking for and drinking in the gift that God extends to you?
- d. When you consider that we are “half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us” (C.S. Lewis), what are the most common substitutes that you depend on for your joy? Take some time for repentance.
- e. Read Psalm 16:11, Rev. 19:7. What is our ultimate source of joy? What is God’s provision for carrying us until then?



Order of Worship

Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude	Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)
Call to Worship	Holy Holy Holy Man of Sorrows ** Kids are invited to KidLife downstairs Be Thou My Vision
Offering	Mighty Fortress
Prayer & Message	What Are You Drinking? John 2:1-11 (p. 810) Rev. Tim Meendering
Communion	I Surrender All
Closing Blessing	
Next Week	Coming to Jesus – Mark 5:21-43



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: 274 • Last week’s offering: \$10,962

PRAYER

Congratulations to **Tyler & Kayla Lapp** on the birth of their daughter, Isabella Jo Marie, on April 22.

**Jean Stadt’s Memorial Service** will be held here at RRC on Saturday, May 25 at noon. Visitation begins at 11am. Luncheon to follow the service.

**Jean Boyd** - pray as she continues through chemotherapy treatments.

**Bill Boyd** - continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.

Be in prayer for all military personnel, people searching for jobs, and disaster victims.

*Prayer teams are available in the front of the sanctuary following service for anyone who desires prayer.*

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
5/5 10:00 Worship Service 11:15 Sunday School (final meetings) 4:00p Hymn Sing	5/6	5/7 7:00a Men’s Prayer Breakfast 9:30a Women’s Bible Study	5/8	5/9	5/10 7a REAL Men @ Arnie’s 34 S. Squires St.	5/11 A wedding is taking place at RRC today, please avoid using the building. Thank you!
5/12 10:00 Worship Service	5/13	5/14 7:00a Men’s Prayer Breakfast 9:30a Women’s Bible Study	5/15	5/16	5/17	5/18
5/19 10:00 Worship Service High School @Whitecaps Leave at 1:15	5/20	5/21 7:00a Men’s Prayer Breakfast 9:30a Women’s Bible Study	5/22	5/23	5/24	5/25 1pm Single Women’s Lunch - Golden Wok. RSVP w/Carol Knox, 866-4845

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 11:15-12:15

Adults - Fireside Room 253  
High School - Room 246  
Middle School - Youth Room 153  
Children - Fellowship Hall 100

Last Day

HYMNSING

Sunday, May 5, 4pm in the Sanctuary

ESV

Pew Bibles

A number of our pew Bibles have deteriorated and need to be replaced, so we are seizing an opportunity to explore making a transition from the NIV to the ESV (English Standard Version) translation. As the consistory considers making this transition, they are glad to have your input. You will find a table in the back of the sanctuary with a number of Bible examples to look at—along with articles and information about the ESV. Additional info was also distributed in a letter from Pastor Tim via email.



Orders due June 2. During the month of May we are taking orders for inscribed bricks for our Memorial Prayer Garden. Order forms are in the back of the sanctuary. Cost is \$40.



Saturday, June 15. You are invited to enjoy the Start of Summer Celebration fireworks from the hill at Rockford Reformed Church. Starting at 8pm, come enjoy free popcorn, refreshments, and children’s activities. Please bring a chair or a blanket, your family and friends, and enjoy the beauty of the fireworks from the top of the hill at Rockford Reformed Church.



Sunday, June 2. Join us as we celebrate our high school and college graduates! There will be a cake reception following the service. Parents of high school and college graduates - please email laura@rokfordrc.org for instructions on graduation booklet contributions.



June 23-26, 6-8pm. Calling all kids ages 3 years through those who are in (or have just completed) 5th grade! Join us for four nights at ROAR VBS, where kids explore God’s goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Registration is open at rockfordrc.org/vbs.