

COMMENTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

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- ☐ For the Pastor only
- ☐ For the Prayer Team members
- ☐ May be shared with the congregation
- ☐ Please have someone contact me

CONNECT

- ☐ I’m interested in joining a Life Group
- ☐ I’m interested in membership
- ☐ I’m interested in baptism / profession of faith
- ☐ I need to update my contact info (use reverse side)
- ☐ Sign me up for RRC email
- ☐ Other:

This week’s poll (just for fun)
Best superpower:

NOTES FOR THE FRONT OFFICE
(doodles accepted)

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Questions for family/small group discussions
Matthew 18:15-20 – When Someone Hurts You

Do you have a current relationship that is characterized by conflict, tension, or a wall between the two of you? Is there anyone whom you avoid? What has been your experience, good or bad, with resolving conflict?

When you have conflict with others, or you observe it in others, what does it reveal about your/their heart?

When you review the 4 G’s of the Peacemaker’s Pledge in the brochure, can you recall a conflict that was resolved in this way and God was glorified? How did that happen?

What do Proverbs 19:11 and Colossians 3:13 say about how we should handle many offenses that are perpetrated against us? What causes us to be easily offended? And what provides for the spiritual health that enables us to overlook many of the hurts and offenses that come our way?

The steps toward resolving conflict that are outlined in Matthew 18:15-20:

1. _____ and tell the person about his/her _____.

a. _____! Who is responsible for taking action? What are some common excuses for not taking action?

b. Show them their _____. What could be the danger in taking this step? How does obedience to Matthew 7:5 change this step? How does a serious review of your own sin and ugliness change your approach? What impact does your humility have on the other person and how does this resemble Jesus’ approach to you? (See Philippians 2:1-8)

c. Just between the _____ of you. When someone hurts you, what is your natural inclination for how you think about them and to whom do you often turn with that hurt? Why is this so dangerous for relationships and the community? Why do we choose to hold a grudge and persist with negative thoughts about someone? And what is the danger? (See Matthew 5:22)

d. If he listens to you, you have gained a _____. How does this reconciliation work for God’s purposes and mission? How does it put Jesus on display?
2. Take one or two _____ along.

a. Many times, we give up after one attempt to repair a relationship. Why is it so important to go another step?
3. Tell it to the _____.

a. How can the church and its leaders be helpful in the process of reconciliation?

How can you risk yourself and GO do the hard work of reconciliation and move beyond our broken and surface relationships? What do you need to remember about what you deserve and what you instead receive through Jesus? How does Jesus come to you every day and how does that shape how you are to go to others?

Who do you need to go to this week so that you can respond to the wounds with healing? Will you go?

Books for further study/understanding: “The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict” by Ken Sande; “Resolving Everyday Conflict” by Ken Sande; Keep the “Peacemaking Principles” in your Bible for future reference.



WHEN SOMEONE HURTS YOU | MATTHEW 18:15-20

Sunday, February 16, 2020

WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude: My Life is an Offering

Call to Worship:

Glorify Thy Name
All People That on Earth do Dwell
Rock of Ages
Marvelous Light
** Kids are invited to KidLife

Offering: This I Believe

Moment for Missions:

North Kent Connect

Prayer & Message:

“When Someone Hurts You”
Matthew 18:15-20 (p. 823)
Rev. Tim Meendering

Communion: O Come to the Altar

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 11:15

Takes place directly after the worship service and goes until 12:15.

- Adults - Fireside Room 253 - “Digging Deeper” sermon discussion. This week’s leader: Pastor Tim
- High School - no meeting today
- Middle School - Youth Room 153
- KidLife (thru 5th grade) - Fellowship Hall 100 check-in



Join us in the gym after Sunday School for our Chili Cook-off missions fundraiser!

** 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) - Check-in desk is in the Fellowship Hall, Room 100 (directly below the sanctuary). Kids 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.

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Sermons available online at RockfordRC.org/sermons-2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb. 16	Feb. 17	Feb. 18	Feb. 19	Feb. 20	Feb. 21	Feb. 22
worship communion sunday school chli cook-off 12:30pm		men's prayer breakfast 7-8am, fellowship hall women's bible study 9:30-11am, room 212	family dinner 6pm kidlife club 6:30pm middle school yg 6:30pm adult classes 6:45pm		REAL men 7am @ arnie's restaurant middle school retreat >>	
Feb. 23	Feb. 24	Feb. 25	Feb. 26	Feb. 27	Feb. 28	Feb. 29
worship sunday school high school youth group 6:30-8pm - adults invited		men's prayer breakfast 7-8am, fellowship hall women's bible study 9:30-11am, room 212	family dinner 6pm kidlife club 6:30pm middle school yg 6:30pm adult classes 6:45pm	ladies' book club 7pm <i>Ask Again, Yes</i> by Mary Beth Keane		single women's lunch 1pm pizza in the fireside room RSVP with Carol Knox 866-4845
March 1	March 2	March 3	March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7
worship sunday school hs fundraiser dinner 12:15pm		men's prayer breakfast 7-8am, fellowship hall women's bible study 9:30-11am, room 212	adult fellowship family dinner 6pm kidlife club 6:30pm middle school yg 6:30pm adult classes 6:45pm		REAL men 7am @ arnie's restaurant	

More information on these activities can be found in our weekly **eBeacon** (printouts are available in the lobby and the back of the sanctuary). If you haven't singed up to receive this weekly email, contact the front office at connect@rockfordrc.org and ask to be put on the list.

QUICK INFO

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616-866-2308 • Office Hours: Mon-Thur 9am–2:30pm
RockfordRC.org • connect@rockfordrc.org

Online bulletin & sign-in: rockfordrc.org/sunday
Online giving: link is on our home page - rockfordrc.org
KidLife email check-in: rrc.check.in@gmail.com

Last week's attendance: 231
Last week's offering: \$9,704

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Trivia Night: Friday, March 13, 6:15pm in the gym. Does your brain hold a lot of useless information? Then invite your friends, neighbors, or family members to join us for a fun night of trivia, led by MI Team Trivia. Enter as a team of 5-8 and work together to answer the questions. No team? No problem! We will place you with an existing team or form a team with others who come solo. Cost is free! Snacks and refreshments provided! Prizes for the winning team! Childcare will be provided by our youth ministry to raise funds for mission trips and retreats – nursery for ages 3 and under, activities and snacks for ages 4 and up. Register online or in the sanctuary.

High School Fundraiser Dinner: Sunday, March 1 in the gym following Sunday School. Family and friends are invited to join us for a delicious dinner and to support our High School Youth Group as they raise funds for their mission trips and retreats! The menu has not yet been set.

Garage Sale: Saturday, March 21, 9am-2pm in the gym. The annual church garage sale to support Rockford Reformed Church Youth Ministries is coming up! Money raised at the garage sale will go towards supporting the youth summer mission trips. Bag sale from 1-2pm. Donated items can be dropped off March 11-19 during office hours (M-Th 9am-2:30pm). Signs in the gym will show you where to place your items. Donation receipt forms will be available. Please note that we cannot take large appliances, TV's, child car seats, or mattresses (crib mattresses are ok).

CONNECTION CARD



FOLD and **TEAR** at perforation. Place in the offering plate or in a connection card drop box located at each sanctuary exit.

HELLO!

We're glad you could join us today! Please sign in and let us know who is here (even if they are somewhere else in the building).

Just checking in! Name(s):

NEW?

First of all, welcome! Please tell us a little more about yourself, and make sure to get a welcome bag from the lobby before you leave today. If you need a little added encouragement to leave your information with us, here you go: for every first-time sign-in (with contact info), we donate \$5 to North Kent Connect! Also, the more we know, the better we can help get you connected.

Name:

Address:

His Phone:

Her Phone:

His Email:

Her Email:

Age group: ☐ teens ☐ 20s ☐ 30s ☐ 40s ☐ 50s ☐ 60+

Kids at home (name, birthdate, grade, m/f)

What brings you here today?