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SPECIAL OFFERING TODAY

Our benevolence fund, which is supported by directed givings outside of our annual budget, has been able to help multiple families within our congregation experiencing unordinary financial difficulties. Recently, there have been higher than usual needs and our fund that helps support these difficulties has been depleted. The deacons will be holding a special offering today to help replenish this fund.

TURNING A PAGE TO A NEW CHAPTER IN 2028

In follow-up to the email yesterday, you are invited to stay for a short meeting after worship to learn a bit more and ask questions as we think about succession for pastoral leadership over the next two years.

GOING DEEPER

Our fall focus is going deeper with God, discipleship, and love. There are a variety of ways to do that. Our Sunday evening Focal Point gatherings bring us together for some good food, fellowship, worship, and biblical learning. One growth opportunity will be a 12-week series called “Knowing God’s Truth.” We will see how vital it is for us all to build a solid foundation of truth about God and his Word. We will be led into personal transformation and worship with a focus on 12 basic topical categories. Systematic theology will become clear, meaningful, and practical for all of us. Books (\$20) are available in the fellowship lobby. Pick up a book this morning and you will benefit from reading chapter 1 before coming to class. Understanding theology essentials has been critical and refreshing for my faith and ministry and it can be for you as well. Join us! Led by Pastor Tim.

There are also two excellent no-cost (thanks to the MCN) options available through The Foundry. The first is a Church Leaders Training on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 9:30am-12:30pm at Jamestown Reformed Church. This would be excellent for anyone as the focus is on going deeper with discipleship. What are the contexts necessary for discipleship to happen? What kind of rhythms and life make discipleship possible? See this morning's email for a sign-up link. We'll collect the list of names and register as a group.

A second option is Biblical Interpretation on Wednesdays Oct 21, Nov 4, Nov 18, Dec 2, 12:00–3:00pm, at Remembrance Church. This 8-week course (meeting 4 times) explores the basic principles of biblical interpretation and provides students with key doctrinal foundations and practical principles for reading, studying, understanding and applying the Bible to the contemporary world. You can sign up at thefoundrygr.org/iml/bi-gr27/. Don't worry about the price, there is a spot to indicate that you are from a member church, meaning there is no charge.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 27	September 28	September 29	September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3
worship service benevolence offering youth group 4:30-7pm focal point 5-7pm kidlife club 5-7pm	golf 5pm prayer partners 7pm via zoom	men’s devotional bkf 7:30-8:30am women's bible study 9:30-11:15am	women’s bible study 6:15-7:15pm, room 250		REAL men 7-8am, fellowship lobby	
October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8	October 9	October 10
worship service flu clinic youth group 4:30-7pm focal point 5-7pm kidlife club 5-7pm	prayer partners 7pm via zoom	men’s devotional bkf 7:30-8:30am women's bible study 9:30-11:15am	women’s bible study 6:15-7:15pm, room 250		REAL men 7-8am, fellowship lobby	
October 11	October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15	October 16	October 17
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More information on these activities can be found in our weekly eBeacon (sent out Sunday mornings). If you haven’t signed up to receive this weekly email, contact the front office at connect@rockfordrc.org and ask to be put on the list.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are in the process of printing the directory, but in the meantime you can view it on your mobile device. Just search for and download "Instant Church Directory" from wherever you get your apps. Once you open it, enter your email that is listed in the directory and you will be sent a secure sign-in link. If you are not in the directory, you will be unable to access the digital version.



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FLU CLINIC NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, October 4, 11:15-12:15
Following the worship service, set up in the Fellowship Lobby.