



ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

May 3rd, 2015

Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45 am

Leading Us In Worship
Dave Rodda & Worship Team

Today's Message:
The Apocalypse:
"A Tale of Two Destinies"

Revelation 14:1-15:4

Art Birch

Our Vision...

We envision a Spirit-led church of bold Christ followers, who are experiencing a new freedom in His love and are intentionally leading their friends, neighbours and world to Him.

WELCOME

We are so glad you said 'yes' to God's invitation to be with us today! We'd like to get to know you better! Please take time to fill out one of our **Connect Cards** found in the pews and drop it in the offering bag. *Thank you!*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Join in worship with **Dave Rodda** and the Worship Team

Guitar - Dave Rodda **Vocals** - Sharon Timmermans **Audio** - Jeremy Nunnikhoven
Bass - Sara Driediger **Drums** - Colton Neudorf **Media** - Jason Kent
Piano - Levi DeWaal **Mandolin** - Wayne Rempel



We would like to welcome Mayor Henry Braun and his wife Velma as they join us today.

the**week**

sunday. may. 03

8:30am Prayer Time @ Prayer Room
9:00-10:15am RRCC Worship
 Youth S. School @ Fireside Room
Between services Coffee and snacks
 @ Common Grounds
10:45- 12:00pm RRCC Worship
12:30pm Portugal Missions Trip Info Meeting

monday. may. 04

7:00-9:00pm Lookout Middle School Youth

thursday. may. 07

7:00-9:30pm High School Youth

coming**UP**

sunday. may. 10

Mother's Day, Communion, Celebration Sunday,
Child Dedication

monday. may. 18

Church Office is closed for Victoria Day

sunday. may. 24

Youth Missions Team Brunch and Silent Auction

friday. may. 29

Ladies Chat 'n' Craft

sunday. may. 31

Annual Ministry Meeting @ Common Grounds

friday-sunday. june. 12-14

Men's Ministry Retreat Weekend

LAST WEEK AT RRCC

church ministries	other	building fund	attendance
\$12,248.87	\$600.00	\$120.00	449

LIBRARY



One of the most celebrated artists in Christian music, the legendary **Gaither Vocal Band** delivers an **all-new CD** recording called **Sometimes it Takes a Mountain**. The release features the **unmistakable harmonies** that have garnered the group five GRAMMY® nominations, **two GRAMMY® Awards** and **17 GMA DOVE Awards**.

FAMILY NEWS



RRCC has 3 large blackboards that we would like to give away. If you are interested in one of these blackboards, please contact the church office.



Congratulations to Brian and Danica Neufeldt on the birth their second child - a little girl, Georgia Elly.



Congratulations to Martin and Shaunna Dahlen on the birth of their son, Aiden Daniel.



RRCC is sending a group of teens on a missions trip to Montreal this summer. On May 24th, a fundraising brunch and silent auction will be held at RRCC. If you have any items or services that you would be willing to donate to the silent auction, please contact the office or Pastor Craig.



Portugal Missions Trip - Plans are underway for a 10 day missions team to Lisbon, Portugal for this October to work along side of Otto and Marjorie Ekk. There will be an information meeting **TODAY** after the second service for anyone who is interested in applying for the team.



The Dahlen's are looking for a nanny for the next couple months. They have three boys; ten, four and a new baby boy (two weeks). Kids would need to be picked up from school, snacks made, playing, tidy up, holding the baby sometimes. The position is from 8:00am - 4:00pm, Monday to Friday. Arrangements have been made for the kids to get to school in the morning. Please contact Martin Dahlen for more information.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery available for children from birth to 2 years of age. Our volunteers are police checked and a paging system is provided for your child's safety.

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9:00am Jeremy Schellenberg Jennae Driediger
Linnea Schellenberg

10:45am Betty Lou Hildebrandt Sandy Nelson

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9:00am Shana Evans Michelle Mosey

10:45am Sandra Hayashida Monika Thiessen

KIDS MINISTRY

Kids Zone exists to partner with our Ross Road parents in the intentional discipleship of our children. We are one big family across many generations.

Kids Church today: "Come and See!"

- Preschool & K available in either 9:00am or 10:45am service.
- Grades 1-5 during the 9:00am service.

The Holy Spirit Inspires Boldness (Peter Before Sanhedrin), Bible Passage: Acts 3-4, Memory Verse:

"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." - Matthew 5:16

Grade 1-5 Soccer Camp: Mark your calendars for July 20-24! Come be a coach and make a difference in the life of a child this summer! Contact Pastor Merri Ellen for more info: merriellen@rossroadcc.ca

The Apocalypse:
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1. Life’s Ultimate Decision is About Jesus.

2. Life’s Ultimate Decision Shapes Us.

3. Life's Ultimate Decision Determines Our Destiny.

“Sow a thought, you reap an action; sow an action, you reap a habit; sow a habit, you reap a character; sow a character, you reap a destiny.”

E. Stanley Jones, *The Christ of the Mount*.

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

Do you agree that life's ultimate decision is about whom we believe Jesus to be and how we relate to Him? Why? Why not? How has your decision about Jesus shaped you? How do you want it to shape you more? What difference does it make to you that the decisions we humans make about Jesus determine your eternal destiny—and the eternal destiny of every person you know?

In Preparation for Sunday, May 10, 2015:

Pastor Merri Ellen will open God's Word to us. Her message, a message she feels God has been preaching to her since February, is “God, our Almighty Protector and Nurturer.” She will draw from such texts as Isaiah 46:3-4; 9:15; 66:13;

2 Corinthians 1:3,4; Psalm 57:1; 91:4; and Deuteronomy 32:10-11. In preparation,
5 explore these themes—God's protection and nurture—from these and other texts.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH
Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

may. 04 - PROVERBS

Join us as Holly opens up the book of Proverbs to us this week!

may. 11 - ACTS

GRADE 5 STUDENTS are welcome to come check out Middle School Youth on May 11th, 25th, and June 1st!

ENCORE (55 +/-)

june. 28 - BBQ

Encore is holding a BBQ on June 28th. We'd like to welcome anyone 55 and older to join us after the 2nd service for a barbecue, fellowship, and encouragement. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs.



Please check the church website or contact the church office for more information on Encore Events!

MEN'S MINISTRY



**june. 12-14 -
MEN'S RETREAT**

Hey Guys, we are excited about our upcoming men's retreat on June 12th - 14th. We look forward to having you join us up at Teepee Lakes Resort near Princeton. This setting offers a great outdoor playground for hiking, fishing, ATVing and more. Registration details will be available soon, so please check back here in a week or two for more details. In the mean time, you can check out the resort at www.teepeelakes.com. Also if you're interested in helping out on the planning team, please contact Brian Degelder.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH
Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm

may. 07 - SHAPE (Heart)

What need in the world really gets you fired up? Is there a cause that stirs up passion in your heart and you feel like you must do something about it? This could be how God has SHAPed your Heart for his service. Join us to talk about it!

GRADE 8'S are welcome to join us May 14th, 21st, and 28th!

may. 21 - EXTREME AIR PARK - you must sign up for this event by May 14, so please talk to Craig to sign up! Cost is \$20, 7:00-10:00 PM.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



**may. 29 -
CHAT 'N' CRAFT**

Join us on Friday, May 29th from 4:00pm on! This will be another One Nighter, come for for much or as little of the evening as you can. For more information, contact Ruby Setchay or the church office.

**june. 16 - LADIES LUAU
7:00-8:30pm**



Come for a fun Hawaiian evening with your Ross Road sisters! Our special speaker will be our own Merri Ellen Giesbrecht. Also featured will be a Hula Dance by Sara Driediger. Dessert will be served. Bring a friend!

Tickets: \$5 each and will be on sale beginning May 31st. Any questions? Contact Janine Blouin by email at jblouin22@hotmail.com or by phone.

COLLEGE & CAREER

We meet weekly on Sunday evenings in a small group atmosphere to learn together, pray for one another and share the journey of life. For the latest details on what's going on please check out our Facebook group: RRCC C&C



PRAYER & PRAISE

Clare Senek

Sherry Lin

Walt Letkeman

Curtis Albright

Debbie Bracewell

Elisabeth Klassen

Please pray for those who are dealing with ongoing struggles in their lives - whether it be illness, spiritual battles, the loss of a loved one, or financial difficulties. Pray that God provides them with comfort, patience, endurance and strength in their daily lives.

OUR OTHER RRCC MISSIONARIES

Paul & Edna Cairns – in Chilliwack with Transport for Christ

Otto & Marjorie Ekk – in North America on MINA (Ministry In North America - furlough)

Cynthia Friesen – in Thailand with MB Mission

Rob & Judy Griffioen – in Abbotsford with Good News International Ministries

Dwayne & Helen Rainwater (Lisa & Michael) – in Africa with Pioneer Bible Translators

Jason & Stephanie Shellborn (Madison, Hudson & London) – in Abbotsford with Discipleship International

Beth Scholes – in Abbotsford with FamilyLife

Al & Karen Stobbe (Karissa & Natasha) – in Abbotsford with MB Mission

Rachael Wiebe – in Winnipeg with MB Mission

PRAYER FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Faith At Home

Faith at Home is what we call our efforts to prompt and resource individuals, couples, and parents to take initiative to nurture themselves and others spiritually and to serve God together. It is based on our conviction that we each need to take responsibility for our own spiritual life and the lives of those within our care, rather than passively depend upon the church. The home and the church have complementary responsibilities in faith development. Pray that we as a church will give excellent support to the home in discipling its members and that every home will conscientiously engage in spiritual nurture.

Power To Change

Please pray for the following:

- The board of directors as they seek out a new President for our organization (our current president steps down in June after 12 years of service)
- GAIN and their partners as they provide disaster relief in Nepal
- Safety and funding for our upcoming summer missions
- New staff training May 4th-7th
- The search for a new director for The Life Project, an online ministry under Power to Change

PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for **Einer & Girlesa Zuluaga** serving with MB Mission in Panama.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Art Birch - Lead Pastor
Associate Pastors
Darren Petker - Adult Ministry
Craig Thiessen - Youth Ministry
Dave Rodda - Worship Ministry
Merri Ellen Giesbrecht - Kids Ministry

ELDER TEAM:

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