

ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

Happy
 *Mother's Day*

May 8, 2016

Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45am

Leading Us In Worship
Dave Rosborough & Worship Band

Today's Message:

"How To Be A Supermom"

Mark 3:20-21; 31-35; Luke 2:25-35; John 19:25-27

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 Rosborough** and the Worship Team.

Guitar - Dave Rosborough
Piano - Marilyn Herrett
E. Guitar - Rob Herrett

Bass - Graeme McAllister
Drums - Holly McLean

Audio - Mike Wiebe
Media - Bob Regier

the**week**

sunday, may. 08

8:30 am Prayer Time @ Prayer Room

9:00-10:15 am RRCC Worship

Between Services Coffee and snacks
@ Common Grounds

10:45-12:00 pm RRCC Worship

monday, may. 09

7:00-9:00 pm Middle School Youth

thursday, may. 12

7:00-9:30 pm High School Youth

friday, may. 13

6:45-8:00 am Men's Bible study @ Fireside Room

saturday, may. 14

11:00-1:00 pm Women's Ministry Luncheon

coming**UP**

sunday, may. 15

Encore Lunch @ Crossroads Restaurant
RRCC Prayer Encounter

tuesday, may. 17

Baptism & Membership Class

monday, may. 23

Church office is closed for Victoria Day

sunday, may. 29

Annual Ministry Meeting

friday-sunday, june. 10-12

Men's Retreat @ TeePee Lakes

BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Baptism/Membership Class: 7:00-8:30 pm, Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Baptism in water, after deciding to follow Jesus, is the one thing that Jesus asked us to do to declare that we are His followers (Matthew 28:19-20).

Ideally, baptism follows faith as soon as possible.

Our baptism as believers also gives us a visible connection with our local church. When we trust Jesus as Saviour and surrender to Him as Lord, He baptizes us in the Holy Spirit, who breathes spiritual life into us making us members of Jesus' spiritual body (1 Corinthians 12:13), His universal church. Similarly, when we are visibly baptized in water, we become members of His visible body, our local church.

To prepare for baptism and membership, we regularly offer a class, followed by an opportunity to be affirmed by church leaders. Those who have previously been baptized as believers elsewhere do not need to be baptized at RRCC in order to be received as members but are still asked to attend our membership class and meet with our elders and pastors.

To register, fill in a Connect Card or e-mail Pastor Art at art@rossroadcc.ca. Please also help yourself to a Baptism/Membership Class Participation Pack in the mailbox below Pastor Art's and read through the booklet *Discovering Ross Road Community Church Membership* prior to coming to the class.

If you desire baptism or membership and this date does not work for you, please



FAMILY NEWS & AROUND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD



Our deepest condolences to Dave & Trixie Andrews on the passing of Trixie's father, Jelle Vander Veen.



Our church would like to support Your Pregnancy Options Centre in their 'front-line' ministry by joining with them for their annual **Operation Baby Bottle**. Available today (Mother's Day), please pick up an empty baby bottle from the foyer, take it home, and over the next few weeks fill it with coins or bills, and then return it to the church on Father's Day. Your donations mean that women and unborn that need help in our own community always have a place to turn to for support and encouragement.



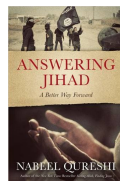
The presence of our children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that we are growing. Please welcome our children today in our Celebration Sunday and give them a smile of encouragement to their parents. Let us give thanks for the Lord's blessing of growing families!

LAST WEEK AT RRCC

Church Ministries	Other	Building	Attendance
\$18,371.20	\$7,123.00	\$0.00	431

LIBRARY

Nabeel Qureshi in his book ***Answering Jihad: A Better Way Forward*** writes from the perspective of a former Muslim who is deeply concerned for both his Muslim family and his American homeland. He answers questions such as what really is jihad? How are we to understand jihad in relation to our Muslim neighbours and friends? Why is there such a surge of Islamist terrorism in the world today, and how are we to respond?



NURSERY CARE

Nursery is 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.

sunday. may. 08

9:00am	Linda Mills	Larelle Wiebe
10:45am	Phyllis Epp	Karissa Stobbe

sunday. may. 15

9:00am	Melissa Degelder	Angela Manno
10:45am	Sandra Hayashida	Jennae Driediger

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.

Today we celebrate Mother's Day with all the generations!

Children, help yourself to the **Celebrating Sunday Kids Sermon Sheet** in the foyer and doodle or draw away!

Upcoming Dates:

June 19 — Father's Day
June 26 — Grade 5 Grad / Teacher

“How To Be A Supermom”

Mark 3:20-21; 31-35; Luke 2:25-35; John 19:25-27

Art Birch

“There’s no way to be a perfect mother—and a millions ways to be a good one.”
Jill Churchill in *Grime and Punishment*

Supermoms (superfamily members, superfriends and...) show absolute commitment to the well being of those they love. Mark 3:20-21

⁴⁶ *And Mary said:*

“My soul glorifies the Lord

⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

⁴⁸ for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.

Luke 1:46-48

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. Luke 2:19

⁵¹ *Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.* Luke 2:49-52

²⁰ *Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. ²¹ When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”* Mark 3:20-21

Two pitfalls to avoid:

- Over-protecting

- Controlling

Supermoms (superfamily members, superfriends and...) show absolute commitment to doing God's will. Mark 3:31-35

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother." Mark 3:35

⁷ *Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.*⁸ *Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.*

Joshua 1:7-8

⁵ *Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.* ⁶ *These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.*

⁷ *Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.* ⁸ *Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.* ⁹ *Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.*

Deuteronomy 6:5-9

³⁴ *Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against,"* ³⁵ *so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."*

Luke 2:34-35

"Dear woman, here is your son," and to the John, "Here is your mother." John 19:26-27

**A supermom weds
an absolute commitment to her children's well being
with an absolute commitment to God's will.**

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

Though Mary knew even before Jesus' conception that He was going to be the Messiah, His approach to ministry was not what she expected. What do you think she was expecting with the result that what she saw Jesus doing made her worry that He was out of His mind? How do you sometimes misunderstand those you love with the result that you are over-protective or controlling? If you are condemning yourself for relational mistakes you've made with those you love, what would it take for you to find release? How can you influence those dear to you to walk in God's will? How can you release them to be even more committed to pleasing God than to pleasing you?

In Preparation for Next Sunday, May 15, 2016:

Pentecost, which comes 50 days after Easter Sunday, commemorates the Holy Spirit clothing Jesus' followers with power from on high as both Jesus and His Father promised (Luke 24:49) and as described in Acts 2. Pastor Art will help us ponder what "Vibrant Christianity" looks like as we live in the power of the Spirit. To prepare, read Romans 12:11-12, Joel 2:28-32, and Acts 2.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

may. 09 - JAMES (WISDOM)

This week Holly will lead us into the book of James, in which we're going to study four major themes. Wisdom is the first of these, and we'll discuss it this week!

may. 16 - JAMES (RICHES)

ENCORE (55+/-)

Mark your calendars for these events:

may. 15 - Lunch at Crossroads Restaurant
(reservations needed)

Please sign up for reservations in the foyer today, or call/email Elisabeth Klassen by Friday, May 13th.



june. 26 - BBQ Lunch after church
(Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs)

MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Ministry team would like to invite men of all ages to come out Friday mornings at 6:45 am for Bible study in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Al Brechin or Pastor Darren.



friday-sunday. june. 10-12 -

**MEN'S RETREAT
@ TEEPEE LAKES**



Hey guys, we are excited about our upcoming men's retreat on June 10-12. We look forward to having you join us up at TeePee Lakes in Princeton. This setting offers a great outdoor playground for hiking, fishing, ATVing and more. Cost for the retreat is \$80 and registration forms can be downloaded from the church website. There will be a registration table in the foyer starting today.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm

may. 12 - APOLOGETICS (MEANING)

In week two of our Apologetics series, Clive and Len will lead us in an examination of the Christian worldview in regards to meaning, or, purpose in this life - why are we here? Join us!

may. 19 - APOLOGETICS (MORALITY)



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**saturday. may. 14 -
WOMEN'S LUNCHEON**

Please join us for fellowship, music, and a message all prepped by RRCC women on May 14, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 each and will be available for purchase in the foyer today. Any questions or volunteer offers can be directed to Alex Schellenberg or Elaine Regier.



COLLEGE & CAREER

There is no C & C this Sunday, as it is Mother's Day. We look forward to meeting again with you all next week.



For up-to-date info, check out our **Facebook page: RRCC C&C.**

OUR RRCC MISSIONARIES

Don't forget to check the Missionary bulletin board for the latest update letters from our missionaries!

Paul & Edna Cairns – in Chilliwack with Transport for Christ

Otto & Marjorie Ekk – in Portugal with MB Mission

Cynthia Friesen – in Thailand with MB Mission

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

S & B – in Central Asia with MB Mission

Lauren Neudorf – in Cambodia with Youth With A Mission

Dwayne & Helen Rainwater – in Africa with Pioneer Bible Translators

Beth Scholes – in Abbotsford with FamilyLife

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

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

Rachael Wiebe – in Winnipeg with MB Mission

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Otto & Marjorie Ekk – in Portugal with MB Mission

- We are thankful for your commitment to support, help, encourage and pray for and with us.
- We continue to be very thankful for the growing 5 churches with one more in the beginning stages.
- As Portugal continues to go through difficult economic seasons, we are thankful for your very generous financial support, these last months that has been so evident. We continue to encourage and support in this area.
- We encourage your prayer for the person that we envision helping us in the ministry of the Business Incubator and Co-work Space. Pray for a successful business person to feel a calling from God to lead this exciting opportunity.
- Pray with us for the discipleship program as it is taking hold. Pray for interns.
- Pray for the summer activities and the time of preparation for them.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for **BB** serving with MB Mission in a restricted area.

PRAYER & PRAISE

Debbie Bracewell

Gerd Loewen

Walt Letkeman

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.

PASTORAL TEAM:

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

ELDER TEAM:

Barry Jackson, Moderator
Michael Blouin **Vic Martens**
Bob Regier **Dale Regier**
Dave Rosborough **Al Stobbe**

PRAYER CHAIN: Doreen Froese
Frieda Neufeld



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