

ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus



Communion Sunday

May 15, 2016

Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45am

Leading Us In Worship
Jordan Regier & Worship Band

Today's Message:
Alive!
"Vibrant Christianity"

Romans 12:11-12

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 **Jordan Regier** and the Worship Team.

Piano - Jordan Regier

Vocals - Julie Bulawka

Audio - Bryce Unraw

Guitar - Matt McAllister

Bass - Nathan Van Rumpt

Media - Elena Unraw

E. Guitar - Dave Rodda

Drums - Michael Penner

the week

sunday, may. 15

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

12:30 pm Encore Lunch @ Crossroads Restaurant

6:30-8:30 pm RRCC Prayer Encounter

monday, may. 16

7:00-9:00 pm Middle School Youth

tuesday, may. 17

7:00-8:30 pm Baptism & Membership Class

thursday, may. 19

7:00-9:30 pm High School Youth

friday, may. 20

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

coming UP

sunday, may. 22

Middle School Youth Sunday School

monday, may. 23

Church office is closed for Victoria Day
No Middle School Youth

sunday, may. 29

Annual Ministry Meeting

friday, june. 03

Food For The Hungry Poverty Bootcamp

sunday, june. 05

Middle School Youth Sunday School

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 (Mt 28:19-20).

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 speak with Pastor Art so that other arrangements can be made.

LAST WEEK AT RRCC

Church Ministries	Other	Building	Attendance
\$7,913.01	\$286.90	\$0.00	425

FAMILY NEWS & AROUND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD



It is that time of the year again! We are updating our church directory and need your help. Please fill out the form in the bulletin and place it in either the offering or the church office mailbox as soon as possible. We'd love to add all our new families, including your photo, to our pictorial directory online. Please send a photo to the office at info@rossroadcc.ca. Any questions, contact Sandy or Jennifer in the office.



Congratulations to Dave & Courteney Rodda on the birth of their second child,



Our congratulations and best wishes to Will & Cynthia Wall on the birth of their baby son!



Join us at 7:30 am on Wednesday, May 18 for the **ACLN 27th Annual Prayer Breakfast** at Ramada Plaza & Conference Centre Abbotsford. Special guests include Mayor Henry Braun, City Councillor Brenda Falk, Firefighter Greg Klassen, and School Trustee & Vice Chair Cindy Schafer. This year's theme is "Faith At Work." Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased from House of James or through www.eventbrite.ca.



MEI Secondary presents **Java & Jazz** on **May 27, 2016** from 6:30-8:30 pm with live music performed by the MEI Jazz Band, food and a silent auction in support of Global Shore. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold at the door. Join us in supporting Global Shore, a school in Guatemala that MEI has partnered with.

LIBRARY

Torry Martin—a comedian, actor, and hippie—fled from California to the wilderness of Alaska, searching for **answers to life's big questions**. He found what he was looking for...and a lot more! The true stories of Torry's hilarious blunders and misfortunes contain a nugget of truth, but one theme prevails: **If God can reclaim and repurpose** Torry Martin's life, He can do the same for you and those you love.



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. 15

9:00am Melissa Degelder Angela Manno

10:45am Sandra Hayashida Jennae Driediger

sunday. may. 22

9:00am Ashleigh Esau Marissa Wiebe

10:45am Jason & Stephanie Shellborn

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: Kids Church for ages 2-5 in both services, grades 1-5 @ 9:00 am.

Upcoming Dates:

June 19 — Father's Day

June 26 — Kids Church, Grade 5 Grad, Teachers' Appreciation, Class Parties

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¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

**We persevere in joyful service
when fervour in our spirits
is fuelled by God’s Spirit.**

Serving with Fervour 12:11

Never be lacking in zeal....

...but keep your spiritual fervour....

...serving the Lord.

Serving With Persistence 12:12

Be joyful in hope....

...patient in affliction....

... faithful in prayer.

How to obey God's word to you:

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

Which of the six exhortations in our text most speaks to what God may want to say to you at present? Why do you think so? What will you do about it? What else is God saying to you?

In Preparation for Next Sunday, May 22, 2016:

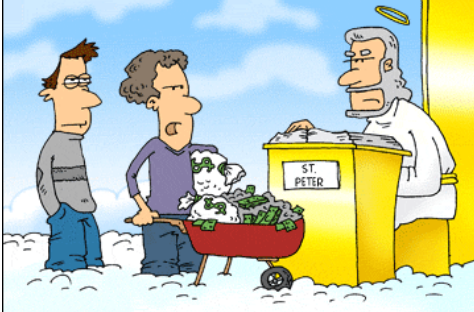
Pastor Darren will challenge us on "Healthy Relationships" from Romans 12:10, 13-16. Read Romans 12:9-21. How might God want to challenge you from our text?

may. 16 - JAMES (RICHES)

This week, Nick will lead us into the book of James to examine the theme of wealth and worldly possessions and how we are to handle them as followers of Jesus!

may. 23 - NO YOUTH (Victoria Day)

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(See Mark 10:25) 05-07-2010
ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A PROBLEM?

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 today.

may. 19 - APOLOGETICS (MORALITY)

In our third session on apologetics, we'll examine the topic of morality and why Christianity's moral claims are compelling when compared with other worldview claims about morality. See you there!

may. 26 - APOLOGETICS (DESTINY)

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CONSCIENCE IN THE ANIMAL KINGDOM

ENCORE (55+/-)

Mark your calendars for these events:

LUNCH @ CROSSROADS RESTAURANT

If you have signed up to join us for lunch today at Crossroads Restaurant, we look forward to seeing you there!



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

COLLEGE & CAREER



This week C & C will be held at Ross Road in the Fireside Room at 7:00 pm. We look forward to some time of worship and discussion together.

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

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

Warm greetings from Africa!

Thank you for praying as we traveled this past month. We had a restful and refreshing time in the highlands, followed by an encouraging time of meetings and spiritual retreat with our PBT colleagues from around the country.

Please pray as we continue to face hot weather, that we would have energy and be able to get back into a routine and work effectively. Please pray that rainy season would start soon. People around us are struggling to find the water they need, and our well is quite low.

Thank you,
The Rainwaters

PRAYER & PRAISE

Debbie Bracewell

Gerd Loewen

Walt Letkeman

PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for **Cecil & Tracy Ramos** serving with MB Mission in Thailand.

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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