

ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

May 29, 2016

Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45 am

Leading Us In Worship
Jeff Thiessen & Worship Band

Today's Message:
Alive!
"Living In Harmony"

Romans 12:14-21

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 **Jeff Thiessen** and the Worship Team.

Bass - Jeff Thiessen
Guitar - Al Stobbe
Piano - Levi DeWaal

Vocals - Karen DeWaal
Drums - Dave Rodda

Audio - Mike Wiebe
Media - Ian Hancock

theWeek

sunday. may. 29

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
6:30-8:30 pm Annual Ministry Meeting

monday. may. 30

7:00-9:00 pm Middle School Youth

thursday. june. 02

7:00-9:30 pm High School Youth

friday. june. 03

6:45-8:00 am Men's Bible study @ Fireside Room
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Food For the Hungry Bootcamp

comingUP

sunday. june. 05

Middle School Youth Sunday School

friday-sunday. june. 10-12

Men's Retreat @ TeePee Lakes

sunday. june. 12

Encore BBQ

sunday. june. 19

Father's Day, Celebration Sunday, Communion,
Operation Baby Bottles due back

friday. june. 24

Ladies Chat 'n' Craft

friday. july. 01

Church office is closed for Canada Day

LIBRARY

Shirley Hershey grew up with her nose pressed to the window of the glittering world. **Three locations shaped her:** a family farm, a country school, and Lititz Mennonite Church. She later became a college president and then a foundation executive, but the rosy-cheeked, barefoot farm girl never quite disappeared. This memoir tells the story of a **girl who might have left the church but found another way.**



LAST WEEK AT RRCC

Church Ministries	Other	Building	Attendance
\$15,886.00	\$1,608.15	\$0.00	350

FAMILY NEWS & AROUND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Our **RRCC Annual Ministry Meeting** will be held tonight Sunday, May 29 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Members and attenders of RRCC, please join us for this important time of information and discernment. AMM reports are available in the foyer. We encourage you to read the ministry reports and be prepared to affirm elders and deacons.





Our condolences to Denise Tall, and Cheryl & Tyler Cook on the passing of husband and father, Archie Tall.



Needed: a vehicle is needed for a missionary family from June 14 to July 26. If you have one available, please contact Elisabeth Klassen.



Our Facility Needs Assessment Team is asking for input from all stakeholders regarding our current facilities in order to determine our needs both now and in the future for our various ministries. Please take the time to look at the assessment form (can be found on the website) and prayerfully consider it before filling it out and sending it back via email to Pastor Darren at darren@rossroadcc.ca. Thank you for your input!



Reminder: If you have not yet filled out the yellow church directory information form, please do so ASAP. Copies are available by the community bulletin board or you can ask one of the ushers for assistance. We'd love to add all our new families, including your photo, to our pictorial directory online. Please send your photos to info@rossroadcc.ca. If you have questions, contact the church office.



Revolutions start small but can change the world. **Food For The Hungry** is offering a one day **Poverty Revolution Boot Camp** on Friday, June 3, 2016 at Ross Road from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Cost is by donation. Bring your own lunch. Contact Shelaine Strom at shelaine.strom@fhcanada.org to register, or the church office at 604-856-2024. Visit the website www.fhcanada.org/bootcamp for more information.



Tabor Home Society is holding its 56th Annual General Meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 in the Chapel at Tabor Court, 31954 Sunrise Crescent, Abbotsford. There will be one resolution presented to deal with the Board's authorization to borrow money. All members of RRCC are members of Tabor Home Society and are invited to attend the AGM. Refreshments after the meeting.



The Refugee Sponsorship team would like to thank everyone for their willingness and readiness to help in supporting a refugee family relocate to Canada. At this time, we are waiting for further information from MCC regarding what we need to have in place at the time of the family's arrival. Once we have finalized plans, we will begin to ask for assistance in locating various needs, such as furniture. If you have a piece of furniture that you would be willing to donate, you can contact the church office to leave your name, phone number, and information.

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. 29

9:00am	Rhonda Janzen	Angela Rosborough
	Allie Janzen	

10:45am	Jennae Driediger	Betty-Lou Hildebrandt
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sunday. june. 05

9:00am	Monika Thiessen	Larelle Wiebe
10:45am	Angela Manno	Rosabelle Birch

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, Celebration Sunday

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

Alive!:
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1. The Heart of Harmony

16 Live in harmony with one another.

Literally: “The same thing toward one another thinking.”

**We are all thinking, as Jesus did,
“How I can contribute to your good?”**

2. The Attitudes of Harmony

2.1. Empathy

15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

2.2. Humility

*16 Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position.
Do not be conceited.*

3. The Decisions of Harmony

3.1. I will bless those who hurt me.

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

3.2. I will refuse to get even.

19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge: I will repay,” says the Lord. 20 On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him: if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head

3.3. I will do right in the sight of all.

17 Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.

3.4. I will own my contribution—and only my contribution—to our problem.

18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

3.5. I will overcome evil with good.

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**We live harmoniously
when our heart, attitudes, and decisions
are intent on the other's good.**

Silent Prayer: “Father, I acknowledge that Your Spirit through Your word is saying to me....”

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

Questions to ask ourselves: Do I have a harmonious heart that wants to do good, even to those who are hurtful? Do I feel and express healthy empathy and humility? To what degree do my decisions in relationship promote harmony? What relational habits of thought and action does God affirm in me? What habits does He want to change? Is there a broken or damaged relationship in my life that needs attention? What will I do about it?

In Preparation for Next Sunday, June 5, 2016:

Next Sunday E. will share her personal testimony with us and we will commission this family as they are soon to return to their native land. Acts 13-14 tells the story of the gospel taking root in that land. Several of the New Testament epistles were addressed to churches there, as were the letters to all seven churches of Revelation 2-3. Today, we are trusting God to rebuild, restore, and renew His kingdom there in line with Isaiah 61:4. We trust Him for this same work in our land and in our church. To prepare for Sunday, review these texts and ask God what He wants to do in and through you.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

may. 30 - JAMES (RICHES)

This week Nick will take us into the book of James to examine the theme of riches and money. Join us for this important study!

june. 06 - GRADE 8 GRAD

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Thanks to David Betz

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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. Sign up now for this fun-filled weekend while you still can!



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

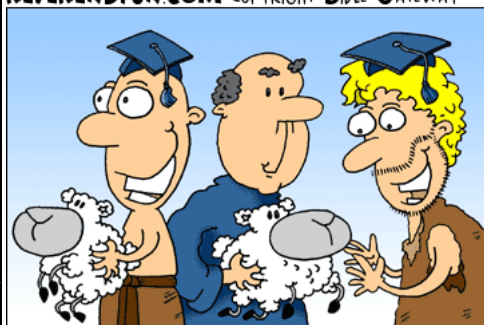
Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm

june. 02 - GRADE 12 GRAD

This week we'll celebrate our graduating students! Parents are welcome to join us from 8:00-9:30 pm as we take a look back at these students through the years, challenge and encourage them through God's Word, and enjoy some food together!

june.09 - YEAR END SOFTBALL GAME!

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Thanks to Blaine

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AT SHEPHERD GRADUATION

ENCORE (55+/-)

Mark your calendars for this event:

sunday. june. 12 - Come join us for a **BIG BBQ Lunch** after 2nd service.



Purchase your \$5.00 tickets in the foyer today and the next Sunday.

Bring lawn chairs weather permitting.

COLLEGE & CAREER

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

Lauren Neudorf – in Cambodia with Youth With A Mission

My team and I here in Cambodia would like prayer for breakthrough with our relationships in ministry. I have been praying for the fellow Cambodian teachers that I teach English with, and I am praying that the Holy Spirit is doing work in their personal lives. Some are very close to discovering how personal Jesus Christ can be!

Also pray for a girl we witnessed being taken from Cambodia into Thailand. She was taken during a Bible study home visit we were at. Her mother owed a large debt, and she has to now pay that debt off to a large hotel company in Thailand. Our team is heartbroken! We found the phone number of the man who owns the hotel she was taken to. Today some of my team members went to Thailand to try to find her, and to really make sure she is in a good environment, not a harmful one.

Part of what we stand for here is empowering women at risk. This situation is real, and we are doing all that we can to prevent things like this happening.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for **C & F** serving with MB Mission in a restricted area.

PRAYER & PRAISE

Henry Kornelson

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
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