



ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus



December 17, 2017

“Reall, Really, Really Good News”

Biblical Text: Isaiah 61; John 3:16

Speaker: Art Birch

THIS WEEK



- 9:30 am - Prayer time
- 10:00 am - Service - Kids Program
- 11:15 am - Christmas Tea in Common Grounds



- No Middle School Youth
- Youth Leaders Christmas Get-together- 6:00 pm



- No High School Youth



- One Morning Service at 10:00 am
- Candlelight Service - 5:00 pm

WELCOME! We are so glad you could join 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.

LAST SUNDAY

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity in your financial support of RRCC!

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| Church Ministries | \$15,680.15 |
| Other | \$694.00 |
| Facility Fund | \$100.00 |
| Total Received | \$16,474.15 |
| Attendance: | 434 |

NEED PRAYER?

A chain of prayer, connecting with other prayer warriors. Call Doreen Froese at adfroese@hotmail.com.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Operating Budget

| Total Nov/Dec. Income Target | Received To Date | Remaining Target to Meet Total | Last Week's Attendance |
|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| \$180,000 | \$106, 237 | \$73, 736 | 434 |

Facility Renewal Fund

| Facility Renewal Target | Received To Date | Remaining Target to Meet Total |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$100,000 | \$75,465 | \$24,535 |

E-Transfers Now Available- You are now able to use e-Transfers as a method of giving. Use your online banking to send a donation to giving@rossroadcc.ca using *Interac* e-Transfer. Don't forget to include your offering envelope number.

NOTICE: ALL RECEIPTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT MUST BE TURNED INTO OFFICE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 27, 2017. The church office will be closed December 25 and 26 for Christmas.

MINISTRY UPDATES



Nursery Volunteers:

Today:

Dec.24, 2017 (one service 10:00 am):



Youth Ministry: Hey Everyone! Youth is officially over now for the winter break! We hope you have a wonderful time celebrating Christmas with family and friends over the next couple of weeks!
If you are a youth leader, do not forget that the Youth Leaders Christmas party is happening this Monday (Dec. 18th) starting at 6pm!



Young Adults: We will be taking a break over the Christmas Holidays. We'll let you know when we're starting up in the New Year and what we'll be doing. You can check back here for info, or on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/rcccyoungadults/>



Women's Ministry: We are taking a break over Christmas. Please check back in the New Year for details of future events.



Men's Ministry: We are excited to be planning for another men's study at 'the shop' starting early in the new year! Stay tuned for more details.



Encore Ministry: Please stay posted as to when our next event will take place.

HALLELUJAH CHOIR



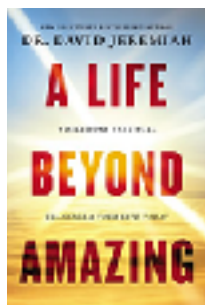
Hallelujah Choir will be meeting next Sunday after service in the fireside room.

MISSING FROM KITCHEN



Eight large clear glass bowls are missing from the kitchen. If you have any information or if you have borrowed one, please contact the church office.

LIBRARY BOOK OF THE WEEK



Are you ready to become the person God has called you to be? In *A Life Beyond Amazing*, bestselling author Dr. David Jeremiah uncovers God's strategy for change and challenges you to make nine important decisions that will transform your heart, your life, and your world.

For more information, please check out our website at www.rossroadcc.ca.

SERMON NOTES

Really, Really, Really Good News

Isaiah 61:3; John 3:16

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**“Whoever accepts this gift gets Jesus.
Whoever gets Jesus gets other gifts along with Him.”**

Gift 1—Crown of Beauty

He has sent me...to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes....

Gift 2—Oil of Joy

He has sent me...to bestow on them...the oil of joy instead of mourning....

Gift 3—Garment of Praise

*He has sent me...to bestow on them...a garment of praise
instead of a spirit of despair.*

**“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that
WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM
should not perish but have everlasting life.”**

Sermon In Action:

Have you accepted God’s gift to you of Jesus? Do you sometimes forget that when you receive the gift of Jesus, you receive other gifts as well? Why? What gift(s) do you most want to remember that you’ve been given?

For Next Week, 4th Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve Morning and Evening:
Read Luke 1 to prepare for the morning and Luke 2 to prepare for the evening!



Cast and Crew:

Actors:

Acting Coaches:

Singers:

Soloist:

Choir Coach:

Costumes:

Lights and Sound:

****We want to express our appreciation to our parents for bringing their children to rehearsals, to our children for working so hard, and to you for coming to our production of “ Really, Really, Really, Good News!”**

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Beth & Darcy Scholes in Abbotsford with Family Life

Greetings from Beth & Darcy!

I (Beth) continue with my schooling and work with Family Life. I'm currently working on the Family Life website; reorganizing and making sure the most helpful articles are easy to find. Darcy is enjoying his work with MB Mission, while Olivia and Sophie live at home, work and learn. Our newlyweds, Sam & Carissa, are doing great. We are grateful!



Please pray for a full recovery from a concussion injury for a family member. Pray as well for our support. A change in donations has created a deficit of \$2,000 to date. Looking forward, we are anticipating another shortfall of approx. \$3,000. Pray for God's provision for us and that we will be back up to full support soon.

Thank you for your continued prayers, support and encouragement. We appreciate your faithful partnership with us!

The Scholes family

Note from RRCC: If you'd like to see some of the work Beth is involved with regarding parenting resources please feel free to check out this online resource page at Family Life Canada:

<https://www.familylifecanada.com/help/parent-resources/>

CHURCH PRAYER & PRAISE

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