



ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus



January 7, 2018

“Chosen”

Biblical Text: Ephesians 1:1-14

Pastor: Craig Thiessen

THIS WEEK



- 8:30 am - Prayer time
- 9:00 am - 1st Service
- 10:45 am - 2nd Service



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



- High School Youth- 7:00-9:30 pm



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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!

Church Ministries	\$36,150.00
Other	\$0
Facility Fund	\$2,792.60
Total Received	\$38,942.60

Attendance:	203
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NEED PRAYER?

A chain of prayer, connecting with other prayer warriors. Call Doreen Froese.

NOTICE FROM THE ELDERS

On Sunday December 31st the Elder Team provided the following update. Merri Ellen Giesbrecht, our Associate Pastor, Children's Ministry has been on medical leave since June of 2016. Merri Ellen has now decided that she will resign from her position as of March 31, 2018. She continues to be on leave and won't be returning to any employment responsibilities.

Merri Ellen expressed her thanks for those who sent notes, meals, and other gifts, and for the many who pray for her and the family. She offered her blessing on us as a church family for genuine spiritual growth and effective ministry as we serve the Lord here at Ross Road.

We express appreciation to Merri Ellen for her years of loving service to our church family. We all pray for God's continued and complete healing in her life, and for years of fruitful ministry still ahead. Please continue to pray for Merri Ellen, Scott, Tavis, and Aidan as they navigate this portion of their life journey. We genuinely pray God's best for them all and are very thankful for their loving contribution to our church over many years.

MINISTRY UPDATES



Nursery Volunteers:

Today :

1st service: Rhonda & Allie Janzen

2nd Service: Will & Cynthia Wall

Next Week

1st service: Danika Wittenberg & Monika Thiessen

2nd service: Elena Unraw & Nadine Ball



Youth Ministry: Hey everyone! Youth is BACK this week, and we are playing SMUGGLERS! So get hyped! Middle School Youth is on Monday from 7-9pm, and High School Youth is on Thursday from 7-9:30pm! Don't miss out and invite some friends! Also take note that the deadline for getting in your forms for the ski/snowboard trip is Jan. 11th, but you HAVE to inform Holly by Jan. 9th if you are attending and if you need a rental!



Young Adults: Check here for more info on upcoming events, or on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/rccyoungadults/>



Women's Ministry: Save the date! February 17, 2018 we will be having a creative workshop entitled 'Paint Party'. Check back here for more details closer to the date.



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: We will be meeting for lunch at Rivers Restaurant on January 21st after the second service. Please RSVP with Elisabeth Klassen so we can reserve our tables.

Feb 4, 2018 - 6:30 pm - We will be having our Valentines Day event here at the church. Stay tuned for more details!

PRAYER & PRAISE

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.

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

SERMON NOTES

Sermon Series: *Inside Out*

"Chosen"
Ephesians 1:1-14
Craig Thiessen

"We praise God when we know that we are chosen and blessed."

1. Chosen

2. Blessed

3. Praise God!

“We praise God when we know that we are chosen and blessed.”

Sermon in Action: What connection do you see between your outward actions and your inward beliefs? If you are a Christ-follower, does your outward behaviour reflect your inner identity in Christ? What does it mean to be a part of God’s family? What is your reaction to the idea that you were chosen by Him before the creation of the world? How does this week’s teaching shape your inner identity and your outer behaviour?

Next Sunday, January 14th: We will continue on with our study of Ephesians. To prepare for Pastor Art’s message next Sunday, please read through Ephesians 1 again, paying particular attention to verses 15-23.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

2017 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Operating Budget

Total Nov/Dec. Income Target	Received To Date	Last Week's Attendance
\$180,000	\$220,676.00	203

Facility Renewal Fund

Facility Renewal Target	Received To Date	Remaining Target to Meet Total
\$100,000	\$81,177.60	\$18,822.40

Praise God for our faithful givers! We are very thankful that we have exceeded our target for the last two months of 2017 in order to meet our budget and expected expenses. We are thankful as well for our ministry teams and staff for their fiscal responsibility and controlled spending.

~ Phil Giesbrecht, Finance Chair

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