We are so glad to gather to worship our great God this morning!

The Nursery, ages 2 & under, is at the south end of the foyer. Sunday School (preschool – grade 4) will be gathering downstairs.

Jacobs Ladder will be staying in the service today.

Difficulty hearing? Devices are available at the sound booth.

Prayer partners are available after the service in the front of the sanctuary.

We are a scent free community, so those who have perfume sensitivities and allergies to scents would be able to join us.

February 25, 2018

10:00 am Worship

Pastor Derek Van Dalen

Welcome

Shout to the North

Greeting

We are Marching in the Light of God

Joy is the Flag

Friendship Presentation

Amazing Grace

Do Lord

Father I Adore You

Friendship Presentation Con't

Children ages Preschool to Gr 4 are invited to Sunday School.

River Park Life

Reading of Luke 19:1-10

Message: Friendship – 30 Years of God's Grace

Come People of the Risen King

Offering: Friendship Ministries

God's Blessing

What a Mighty God We Serve

Worship Team

Music: Friendship Group

Tech: Darin K, Floyd H, Jonathan B

Our offering is an opportunity for us to celebrate financially God's generosity towards us.

Our first offering is for **Our Denomination's Friendship Ministries**. This international organization began in 1984 and provides resources that support faith formation and congregational inclusion for individuals with intellectual disability, so that we may all grow deeper in our relationship with God and community together (friendship.org). Our Friendship Group here at RPC started in the fall of 1987 and is currently celebrating "30 Years of God's Grace". The RPC Friendship Group benefits from Friendship Ministries materials at their weekly gatherings; including leaders manuals and student handouts. Sign-up sheets are available at the info table to accept cash and food donations for Friendship's trip to William Watson Lodge.

Our second offering is for the **RPC Ministries Fund.** The RPC Ministries Fund supports the ministries of our church including Sunday School, Jacob's Ladder, Youth Group, Intercultural Ministries, and capital improvements to our building.

Tokens & Electronic Transfer forms are on the info table.

Next Sunday

Next Sunday Pastor Derek will bring us the message 'Relationships'. We will hear the profession of faith of Laurel E in our service. The offering will be for Citizen's for Public Justice.

This week at River Park Church

Feb 25	Korean Praise & Prayer	11:30 am
	Multicultural Small Group	12 pm
	Cedars Villa	2 pm
	AGM	4 pm
Feb 26	GEMS	6:30 am
Feb 27	Breathe In Women's Ministry	9:30 am
Feb 28	Prayer Meeting	7:30 am
	ESL Classes	10 am & 1 pm
Mar 1	Ministry to Men	6 am
	Banner Team Meeting	9:30 am
	Friendship Group	7 pm
Mar 3	Ministry to Men	8 am
	Taekwondo	3 pm

We extend our condolences to **Willem G on the death of his father, Bill G**, on Tuesday Feb. 20. Bill enjoyed 93 years in this life and he is now with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. A service to celebrate his life and remember the promise of the resurrection will be held on a date to be determined.

Pray for Evelyn W who had knee replacement surgery on Wednesday. May God grant her a quick recovery!

Pray for **Herman K** who is receiving care for dementia. Please pray that our Lord guides Herman and family through this difficult time.

Pray for Lene T and healing from stomach troubles.

Pray for **John T**, who continues to receive treatment for an infection.

Remember to pray for those who are not able to regularly attend our worship service: Sean B, Irene D, Hannah D, Danny H, Herman K, Grace R, Pete S, Wietske S, Irena S, Matthew t, Else T, Art V, Shirley Y, Betty H.

River Park Life

Cedars Villa Service: Today at 2 pm. Rich B (message), Dorothy d (piano), Ian van d, Anne d, Rob V & Hetty L (helpers) *Other helpers are welcomed!*

RPC AGM TODAY: Starting at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Bottle Drive, Alaak School Fundraiser Today: Please leave your bottles in the trailer in the parking lot. If anyone wants a text reminder the morning of the bottle drives, please text your number to. Also, we are looking for new volunteers to help meet the driver on Sun mornings to help people load the bottles into the trailer. Contact Andrea Cif you can help in this way.

RPC Youth Group: Today, Adam K will be in town, and together with Nikki, will host you all for Youth Group. On Sunday, Mar 4, it's the Hitmen Game (details to follow)! All who are around are encouraged to keep meeting together after church in the Prayer Room (Paul will miss Feb 25 but be there on Mar 4th). AND start registering for the 30 Hour Famine (March 16-17) by contacting Paul. Sweet!

River Park Life Continued

Fellowship Lunch: Sun, Mar 4. Everyone is invited to a Fellowship lunch following the service. Please bring enough food for you/your family and a bit more to share with others. This is a good way of getting to know one another a bit better. Grace S small group will be hosting this time.

Breaking Barriers to End Hunger: The theme for our World Hunger Campaign this year is "Changing the Story: Breaking Barriers to End Hunger" and is based on Philippians 4:19 - "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." This week, as we read our devotional booklets and as we put coins in our Peter Fish, let's pray for families around the world who are facing barriers that have kept them from having enough to eat, accessing health care, and getting an education. Believe that God will use our offerings to supply the needs of those who are hungry.

Community

"When Helping Harms" Workshop: Join World Renew and Diaconal Ministries Canada for a "When Helping Harms" workshop to learn how to help alleviate poverty and injustice through effective engagement in your global and local communities. Discover how food banks, deacon funds, short-term service trips and other benevolent activities can be more impactful and meaningful. The workshop will take place at Emmanuel CRC (3020 51 Street SW, Calgary) on Sat, Mar 10 from 9 am to 12 pm (refreshments available at 8:30 am). Registration is free, seating is limited; please register today at www.worldrenew.net/whhworkshop. For more info, contact Yvonne B office@emmanuelcrc.org.

CORE Celebration's next concert is today, Feb 25 at 7pm at First Baptist Church. Go to corecelebration.com for more info.

Silence, Sabbath, Scripture, Spirit, Soul, Inter Mission Silent Directed Retreat happens June 1-3/18 @ King's Fold Retreat Centre. Listen for the Spirit's invitation to a weekend of Soulcation. Facilitated by Pastor Ron Klok and others. 2 nights, 5 meals, private room, spiritual direction, rest, and the fabulous setting overlooking the Ghost River and the Banff Rockies. Registration: \$380. Contact rev.klok@gmail.com. Deadline is May 20/18.

Thank you to all who are serving today!

Greeters

Feb 25	John & Donna S, Stefanus T, Dennis T
Mar 4	Gerald & Jenny K, Grace & Herm S

Nursery Schedule

	Babies	Toddlers: 1 & 2 yrs. old
Feb 25	Quintina B	Miriam K
	Geoffrey V	Sirkka V
	Reception: Elisabeth v	
Mar 4	Joanna N	Cordelia V
	Andrea C	Sherryl L
	Reception: Sue P	

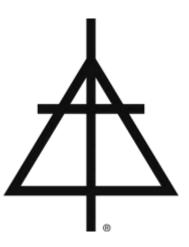
Coffee Hosts

	Serving & clean-up (after service)	
Feb 25	Willem G, Geoffrey V & Jennifer P	
Mar 4	Caleb & Joy A, Joanne B, Laura B	

We would like to get to know you better and so we invite you to fill out a welcome card. Please leave the card in mail slot #1.

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