Upcoming Events

February 26	February 27	February 28	February 29	March 1	March 2
7:00 pm Friendship	Office: Jasephine	7:00 pm GEMS	12:00pm Bulletin Deadline		
7:30 pm Camp Meeting	9:30 am Coffee break	7:00 pm Cadets	7:30pm Craft Group		
	7:30 pm WPC	7:00pm Catechism			
March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7	March 8	March 9
7:00 pm Friendship	Office: Cheri-Lynn	7:30 pm Membership Class	12:00pm Bulletin Deadline		
	9:30 am Coffee break				
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All bulletins can be found online www.firstcrcrocky.ca

 $Check \ out \ our \ Facebook \ page \ (@FirstCRC.RockyMtnHouse) \ or \ website \ (firstcrcrocky.ca) \ for \ links \ to \ sermons.$

H	Thank you, for all you do!	February 25	March 3	March 10	
E		Pastor Ken D.	Pastor Ken D.	Pastor Ken D.	
L	Serving Elder	John O.	Jessica H.	Chris T.	
P	Serving Deacon	ng Deacon Ken B.		Lorraine A.	
Ι	Music Team	Lifted Hearts	The Experience	Mosaic	
N	Children's Message	Elroy L.	Pastor Ken	Joel S.	
G	Nursery	Justin & Mikala D.,	Corinne V., Rita B.	Annette D., Stephanie C.	
Н		Janelle V., Teslyn A.	Marion R., Chelsey B.	Alyssa D., Jonah O.	
A N	Coffee Host	Glen & Anneleen D.	Robert & Brenda B.	Rocky & Nancy K.	
D D	Greeters/Coffee Cleanup	Neels & Dina H.	Dustin D. & Jeffrey D.	Pierre & Ria Joost	
S		Karl & Krystal H.	Henry & Lorraine A.	Tom & Kathy S.	



FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

RR3 Site 4 Box 6, Rocky Mountain House, T4T 2A3 403.845.6067

Our **MISSION** is to worship God faithfully, nurture one another to grow in Christ, joyfully tell others about Jesus, develop our gifts to serve and pursue stewardship, justice and peace in every area of life.

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Pastor Natasha Specht- pastornatasha@rockycrc.ca (Monday-Thursday)

Church Office: Tuesday — Friday 9:00am to 12:00pm office@rockycrc.ca



Morning Worship Service

Welcome

As the Deer

□ All the Way My Saviour Leads Me

Children's Message - Elroy L. (Sunday School for Ages 3 to Grade 5)

Announcements and Congregational Prayer

Offering for - Raise Up Global Ministries Offertory

Scripture - Isaiah 49:8-12, Matthew 6:24-34 Sermon - Come to Me and Rest

☐ Like a River Glorious
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Parting Blessing
Go Now In Peace

Welcome to First CRC Rocky

If you are visiting we want to offer a warm welcome! We pray you will encounter God today as you worship and bring him praise!

Nursery is available for infants & small children. Sunday School for Ages 3 to Grade 5 during the service.

Join us for coffee in the fellowship hall following the service.

For more Information view: www.firstcrcrocky.ca or FirstCRC.RockyMtnHouse on Facebook

CHURCH FAMILY

"...Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:16 ~

- † As a ministerial church, each church has been asked to pray for our brothers and sisters in our community, today we are praying for Partners in Christ (Holy Trinity Anglican and Rocky Mtn Evangelical Lutheran Church.
- † Birthday Congratulations go out to **John B.** who will celebrate his special day **March 2**. May you have a blessed year ahead.
- † We pray for those at home: **Pearl V., Sylvia D., Gus and Margaret V.** and **Joe & Lena V..** For those at care facilities: **Tonia T.** (Westview Lodge), **Diane W., Elly O.** and **Dick O.** (Clearwater Centre); **Seenie B.** (Park Avenue) and for all the caregivers who are able to assist those who require a little extra help and care.
- † Please keep **all missionaries** in God's care, wherever they may be serving. Join us in praying that: God will open doors of ministry, blessing partnerships and friendships, for strength and stamina, that the Holy Spirit will provide them with words that communicate effectively in other cultures and languages, that God will keep them safe, for an abundant harvest that will be produced as more people learn about the love of Christ, and for restoration physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually that can only be found in Jesus.

Check out the Missions bulletin board, in the social hall, for updates on the missionaries that we support.

If you know of anyone that we should be keeping in our prayers for various reasons, council asks that you please call Pastor Ken, an elder or deacon.

Your *Elders* are Anthony B., Randy D., Alan H., Karl H., Jessica H., Alan O., John O., Dave S., Chris T. and Albert V. Your *Deacons* are Lorraine A., Peter B., Ken B., Doug D., Justin D. and Lowell S.

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Names of God: The Righteous God - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Psalm 145:17 says, "The Lord is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does." So, what is it like to be righteous? Is it like being right? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Lent and Easter Collection.

Family Fire - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork: The Curse Of The Cross - We were rightly cursed by God for our failure to keep his covenant. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Deuteronomy 28:1-19, Deuteronomy 21:22-23, Galatians 3:10-14, 2 Corinthians 5:21, and Isaiah 53:4-11 to better understand the cursed nature of the cross and discuss the implications of this curse and Jesus' death under it for our lives of faith today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.





SRI LANKA: Acts of Vandalism Disrupt Pastors' Convention

Pastors from the Foursquare Church recently gathered at their denominational campground in the Puttalam District of Sri Lanka for an annual convention. At around 1 a.m. on January 25th, a group of unidentified individuals entered the camp and began vandalizing the property.

Windows from four vehicles, including a bus and two vans, were smashed. In addition, a bottle containing gasoline was ignited and thrown into the bus. When conference attendees heard the ruckus and rushed to the scene, the perpetrators immediately fled the area. A police investigation into the incident is presently underway.

This is not the first time the property has been targeted by militants. During the construction of the camp facility, opponents threw stones at the building site and burned down the workers' huts. To review previously posted reports addressing the violence perpetrated against our Christian brothers and sisters in Sri Lanka, go to our <u>country report</u>.

Pray that these pastors and their congregations will be granted wisdom, as well as the necessary provisions, as they now deal with the aftermath of the vandalism attacks. May the same apply to other Christians in Sri Lanka who have faced similar opposition because of their faith. Ask the Lord to ensure the country's believers are kept safe and secure whenever they gather for worship and teaching, attend conventions, and/or participate in discipleship programs. May these believers receive the practical support and spiritual encouragement they need so they can continue faithfully serving as "lights" amid the darkness around them.

Prayer Ministry

There are times in life when everything seems overwhelming- times when you can't find answers or you don't know where to turn. But in every season of life the Spirit invites us into a relationship with God through prayer. This is how we align our hearts with His. It is reassuring to know He is there and is listening. Whatever you are going through-times of beauty or ones of trouble- we'd love to pray with you. Contact the team through email, the church office, phone call or through the website anonymously.

Visit www.firstcrcrocky.ca (via the CONTACT link or Prayer Ministries link)

Church Announcements

Reminder for the <u>Children's Prayer Partnership</u> - Completed forms can go in mailbox 91 or if you want to sign up as a prayer partner contact Jessica H.. If you did not receive a form or you would like more information feel free to contact me.

<u>District lists</u> are in your mailbox. If you have been missed or would like to added be in a district, please contact Pastor Ken or an elder.

<u>Welcome Potluck</u> - We are looking forward to our new associate pastor, Natasha S.. We will have a potluck following the service on **Sunday, March 3.** We hope you are all able to join us that day as we welcome their family into our congregation!

<u>Sonrise Camp</u> - Summer is coming and so are summer camps! Mark your calendars for the following weeks: July 7-12 (ages 10-12 yr olds), July 14-18 (ages 13-15 yr olds) and July 22-25 is Vacation Bible Camp (for ages 5-9 yrs old).

<u>Membership Class</u> - Anyone interested in learning more about what it means to be a member of our church is welcome to talk to Pastor Ken and attend a membership class beginning on **March 6 at 7:30pm**. The class will take place **every 2 weeks** and will run for 3 or 4 sessions.

<u>Funeral Fund Fees</u> - It was decided to raise the annual fee to \$60 this year and to \$70 next year. Cheques can made out to *CRC Funeral Fund* and place in mailbox 79. If you have questions or want a financial statement call Marlene K.. **March 10** is the final day to pay your fees. After that there will be a \$10 penalty.

Christian Stewardship Services

Have you ever considered who would make a suitable Executor or Power of Attorney? Learn about the options you have and possible implications of your decisions on your estate, and more. Christian Stewardship Services is hosting a complimentary open Q&A sessions about this topic. Find out more about the Winter Conversation Series and register here. For more information, contact: info@csservices.ca. See poster on bulletin board for class dates and topics.

<u>Thankyou</u> - for all your prayers, word of comfort, support, and sharing of memories with the passing of Johan. It is a comfort to know Johan is at home with our Lord Jesus. Elsie O. and Family

Deacon's Corner ~ Lorraine A., Peter B., Ken B., Doug D., Justin D., Lowell S.

Upcoming Offerings

February 25 - Raise Up Global Ministries

Raise Up Global Ministries is committed to Educating Christian Leaders in Communities around the world. The three programs of Raise Up equip the global church by (1) *DEVELOPING* biblically based interactive materials and (2) *TRAINING* facilitators to lead reproducible change in their communities. Our vision is to see healthy churches worldwide flourish and transform their communities under the leadership of those who have been equipped through accessible, high-quality materials and training.

March 3 - Local Church Ministries

Local Church Ministries goes to all our budget commitments: Staff, office expenses, power heat, insurance, children's programs, mission support and ministry shares.

Gratefully Received February 4 & 11

Local Church Ministries \$6261 Tribal Trails \$1693

From the Deacons & Treasurer

There are several ways to give to the church:

<u>Coupons</u> allow you to give to the weekly offerings, without having to use loose change. They come in \$2, \$5 and \$10 coupons. You will be receipted for the amount of coupons you purchase. Coupons can be directly purchased from a Deacon, in the Council room on Sunday morning, after the service. They expire at the end of each year.

<u>Budget/Local Church Ministries</u> - Write to "First Christian Reformed Church of RMH". If you wish to have your cheque allocated to a specific cause approved by the deacons or otherwise announced please indicate that cause on the memo line of your cheque.

<u>E-transfers</u> - send to **treasurer@rockycrc.ca** on the memo please specify the cause you would like money allocated to.

Pre-Authorized Bank Withdrawals - Contact Marlene O. to sign up or get a form from the office.