

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a **Visitor** we ask you to sign a Guest Card and drop it in the offering plate so we can acknowledge your visit. Join us to Worship at 11:00 am.

A **staffed nursery** is provided for children from 6 months to age two. During the offering, children from ages Preschool to Kindergarten are dismissed for Junior Church in the Board Room.

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Song  
Welcome & Announcements  
Worship in Song  
Scripture Reading & Prayer  
Offering  
Worship in Song  
Message  
Closing Song  
Prayer & Benediction

### **WORSHIP TEAM:**

MIC  
MONICA  
DAWN  
JOEL  
ED  
JONATHAN  
GILLIAN  
ANIKA  
Video: LUKE  
Sound: LEN

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**Senior Pastor:** REV. MARK WOODS  
**Associate Pastor:** REV. JONATHAN KROEKER  
**Youth Pastor:** BEN CLOUSTON  
**Office Administrator:** BEV SHERIDAN

## **CHRISTIAN FREEDOM** GALATIANS 5:13-15

In Christ we are set free...

From \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_

To \_\_\_\_\_

### **PRAISE & PRAYER**

- **Pray for** our shut-ins: CHARLOTTE T. and LISE D.
- **Pray for** LYNDELL C. who teaches seminary and helps in church planting projects in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.
- **Pray for** the upcoming ladies' and men's events, that those who attend would be encouraged and open to the Gospel.
- **Praise God** that BETHSAIDA FRENCH FELLOWSHIP celebrated their two year anniversary this past Easter Sunday. Pray for ENGE and his wife RACHEL as they continue to serve this growing ministry.

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2017**

### **THIS MORNING:**

In the minds of many people today, "Christian" and "freedom" don't belong together in the same sentence. After all, the Bible is filled with lots of rules, and we know that "lots of rules" doesn't equal freedom, right? Actually, it's not so simple. It really depends on the nature and purposes of the rules we are talking about. For example, some of us can attest to the frustration of being under the authority of a parent, teacher, or employer with so many rules that we feel enslaved and unable to do what we're supposed to do. On the other hand, we know that families, classrooms, workplaces—and even society itself—will be rendered ineffective and will quickly break down into chaos without rules. Rules: we often can't stand them, we sometimes break them, but we can't live without them!

The Christian understands that God's rules (his moral "laws") are good. All of them are summed up in the command to love God with all of our being, and to love our neighbour as ourselves (Matt. 22:37-40). To love God and neighbour is the Christian's calling, and the way of true freedom. And yet, we often struggle to walk in this freedom, preferring instead to add our own rules or ignore God's commands altogether. Either way, we are not free. This morning, as we look at Paul's letter to the Galatians, we will get a fresh look at what Christian freedom looks like and how to experience it in our lives. "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free" (Gal. 5:1)!



### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School -	9:30 am
Coffee and Fellowship	10:30 am
Worship -	11:00 am
Bethsaida French Fellowship -	1:30 pm

### COMING UP

- Apr 25 - Ladies Event "Family" @ 7 pm
- Apr 28 - Men's Pitchfork Fondue @ 6 pm
- Apr 28 - BOOST Guys/Girls Night @ 7 pm
- Apr 30 - Sunday School @ 9:30 am  
- Worship Service @ 11:00 am

### CAPITAL FUND SUNDAY SUNDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>

All offerings received will go into the Capital Fund Account for future major capital projects.

### PASTOR MARK AWAY

PASTOR MARK and SHELLEY are on vacation until April 26<sup>th</sup>.

### TOWN HALL MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 PM  
All are welcome!

### ROWANDALE BAPTIST CHURCH STATS FOR APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2017

ATTENDANCE .....	328
GENERAL OFFERING.....	\$16,310
WEEKLY GOAL .....	\$10,180
GIVING TO DATE .....	\$154,276
BUDGET TO DATE .....	\$162,880



### FRIDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>

#### GUYS NIGHT @ 6 PM

Guys are attending the Pitchfork Fondue at the PAULS' Barn. Please let PASTOR BEN know if you need a ride.

#### GIRLS NIGHT @ 7 PM

Senior High girls are at the Unrau's home.\*

Junior High Girls are at the Clouston's home.\*

**\*Please RSVP with PASTOR BEN so that we can plan accordingly.**

### Young Adults

#### YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us on Sunday mornings in Room 10 at 9:30 am as PASTOR JONATHAN and PASTOR BEN use Scripture to tackle some tough topics this month. Come early to grab a cup of coffee or tea!

### PARKING

Just a reminder that additional parking is available behind the strip mall to the south of the church, with walking access through the fence into our parking lot.

### WANNA PLAY GUITAR?

SUNDAY, MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 PM

If you play acoustic or electric guitar or bass, whether you are a beginner or pro, come join our **Worship Jam Session** here at Rowandale. Bring your instrument. Talk to MIC M. if you want more info.

## Family

### A Rowandale Ladies Event

TUESDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> @ 7 PM

"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God." 1 John 3:1a. Featuring an encouraging message from PASTOR JONATHAN KROEKER.

For ladies ages 16+. Please see LEONA O., ROSIE F. or HELGA N. for tickets - \$8.00 each.

### REJOICING IN THE LORD TOGETHER

SUNDAY, MAY 7<sup>TH</sup> @ 6 PM

Rejoicing in the Lord Together Choir would like to invite you to an evening of music and fellowship here at Rowandale Baptist Church.

There will be a Freewill offering for Chain of Love. Coffee Fellowship to follow.

Invite your family and friends for a wonderful evening in celebrating Christ's Love.

If you can bring cake, please let LILLY know via email at [glradtke@shaw.ca](mailto:glradtke@shaw.ca)

### CAMP NUTIMIK NEWS

A CAMP WORK DAY is scheduled for Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Please come and help us to brighten up our camp and facilities for the upcoming season.

BROCHURES FOR SUMMER CAMP are available on the table in the lobby.

We are still in need of volunteer cooks for the weeks of: July 9-14, 23-28, 30-Aug 4, 8-11.

Please prayerfully consider whether you might be able to help and contact DARLENE by phone or by email: [darlene@campnutimik.com](mailto:darlene@campnutimik.com). We thank you for your prayers and support.

### CHRISTIAN YOUTH IN ACTION

Calling all the Youth/College and Career students! Did you know that you can work as a paid or volunteer summer missionary and impact children with the truth of Jesus while travelling Manitoba this summer? Internships are also available! Contact Child Evangelism Fellowship at [204.663.3300](tel:204.663.3300) or visit [www.cefmanitoba.org](http://www.cefmanitoba.org) to apply as a CYIA - Christian Youth In Action. Deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

### MEN'S PITCHFORK FONDUE

FRIDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup> @ 6 PM

At the PAULS' Barn  
This event is sold out.

### SENIORS' DAY AT CAMP NUTIMIK

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

Come and enjoy a great time together with friends in the beauty of the Whiteshell wilderness from the comfortable surroundings of Camp Nutimik. Cost is \$45.00 for the bus and includes lunch & supper at the camp. Or come on your own by car and pay \$25.00 for meals only. **Deadline to register is May 28<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets go on sale starting Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, available in the front lobby.

### GOING ON A SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP?

If so, please contact someone from the Missions Committee: Frank, Leo, Helga or Andrea, and let one of our pastors know, so that we as a church can be informed and pray accordingly. Also, those from our congregation who are planning to go on a local or international mission trip may qualify for financial support from our church.

### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK



PAUL AND MELISSA EWING  
NAB MISSIONARIES  
JAPAN

Paul serves as the NAB field director for the mission field of Japan and works closely with the Japan Baptist Conference. They have less than three months left on their year-long home assignment. Pray for this upcoming transition, especially with their oldest son, Noah, staying behind so he can start college in the fall. Also pray for Komyo Christian Church, the church the Ewings helped plant in Japan; ask God to help the members of the church work out their faith and grow as a family of God. Visit [nabonmission.org/missionaries/paul-melissa-ewing](http://nabonmission.org/missionaries/paul-melissa-ewing) to find out more.

### MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

FORT RICHMOND BAPTIST  
WINNIPEG, MB  
JIM (TARA) MATHEW  
PASTOR