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Worship Team

Mic M
Bev S
Monica U
Anika M
Gillian M
Jon M
Bob S

Video: Michael G

Sound: Evan P

Lead Pastor: Jonathan Kroeker
Youth Pastor: Ben Clouston
Office Administrator: Audrey Plew

Thank you for muting your cell phone during the service.

A Light Has Dawned (Isaiah 9:1-2)

Sermon Notes:

Praise & Prayer

- Ron & Jeannie S who are based in Hungary, Central Europe. Their gifts of faith, leadership, preaching and hospitality are used to develop Roma Christian communities.
- Pray for those from our church who are physically unable to attend: Rose-Ann L, Lise D.
- Pray for those from our congregation who are dealing with serious health issues: Brian M who is undergoing chemotherapy treatment and Bettina G who is recovering from her recent kidney transplant.
- Pray that each one of us would be faithful to take opportunities to share the gospel with others during the Christmas season.
- Pray for the family of Ruth W, who passed away last Sunday. Several of Ruth's close relatives attend Rowandale.



About seven hundred years before the birth of Jesus, Isaiah prophesied about a Messiah whose arrival would be like a bright light piercing the darkness of this world. This December, we'll be taking a fresh look at Isaiah's ancient words about Jesus, not only about his first arrival into this world as a baby, but his Second Coming as King – and what this means for us.

Visitors

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a visitor, we encourage you to sign a Guest Card and drop it in the offering plate so we can acknowledge your visit. Feel free to stick around after the service and get to know some people. You are also welcome to join us for our weekly Coffee Fellowship on Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs). Thanks for being with us this morning, and we look forward to meeting you.

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Parents

A staffed nursery is provided at any time during the service for children from 6 months to age two. During the offering, children from age 3 through Kindergarten are dismissed for Junior Church in the Board Room.

Today's Schedule

Sunday School	9:30 am
Coffee Fellowship	10:30 am
Worship & Communion	11:00 am
Bethsaida Fellowship	1:30 pm

Next Sunday

December 10

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

Dates to Remember

Dec 17 – Sunday School Christmas program

Dec 24 – Christmas Eve Service @ 5:30 pm

Hey kids! Check out the new worship service activity sheets. Available in the lobby.



❄️ **save the date!** ❄️

Rowandale Winter Camp

February 9-11, 2018

Lake Nutimik Baptist Camp

Rowandale Baptist Church

Stats for November 26, 2017

ATTENDANCE	242
GENERAL OFFERING	\$10,011
WEEKLY GOAL	\$10,300
GIVING TO DATE	\$452,851
BUDGET TO DATE	\$463,500

Rowandale Youth

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, December 8 [6-9:00 pm]

Secret Stocking

Friday, December 15 [6 pm-9:30 pm]

Sleigh Ride

Friday, December 22 [7-10 pm]

Christmas Party

[Contact Pastor Ben for more info]

YOUTH Extras

TOUGH TOPICS

Digging deep as we get to know God

7-8:30 @Rowandale

Wed. Dec. 6

Thurs. Dec. 21

SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE

7-8:30 @Rowandale

Sun. Dec. 10

Please speak with Pastor Ben for more info about these events.

young adults

Sunday School for ages 18+ in Room 10.

Any questions, please see *Pastor Ben*.

Saturday, December 9

CHRISTMAS PARTY

[details to be announced]

SANCTUARY CHRISTMAS TREE

This morning our sanctuary Christmas tree is sparsely decorated. In the midst of abundant seasonal blessings, it's good to be reminded that Jesus arrived in humble, difficult circumstances. This year, we would like to work together to decorate this tree with love. You are invited to donate warm socks for the struggling men and women who are served by Union Gospel Mission. It's a tiny sacrifice in light of the enormous one that was made for us when God sent his son to this broken world to pay for our sins. Ribbons are provided for you to tie the socks onto the tree or you may leave them in the basket provided.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 9:30 AM

CHILDREN meet in the lower level auditorium.

JUNIOR HIGH students meet in "The Attic."

SENIOR HIGH students meet in the Youth Room.

YOUNG ADULTS meet in Room 10:
Gospel in Life

ADULTS have a choice of:

Discipleship Discussion Group in the Prayer Room

Adult Bible Class in the Board Room

REMINDER: Volunteers in Children and Youth Ministry

Please fill out your child abuse registry check applications found in your church mailbox and return them to *Helga N* as soon as possible.



Dates to Remember:

Family Fun Day: Monday, Feb. 19

Fundraising Banquet: March 10

www.campnutimik.com



Once again Rowandale is supporting the Angel Tree Ministry. If you want to help make Christmas special for children of incarcerated parents, please take one of the tags off the Angel Christmas tree in the foyer, see Andrea K at the table and she will give you more info. It's possible to choose just one name on the tag. Monetary donations are also very welcome and will go toward purchasing gifts for one of these children.

USHERS NEEDED

We are looking for new ushers to help us out on Sundays, if you are willing to serve in this capacity, please talk to Cheryl L.

STAMPS FOR BIBLES

Please help the Canadian Bible Society provide Bibles by collecting used stamps.

1 pound of stamps = 1 Bible

Leave ¼" border of paper around the entire stamp. Do not remove the paper from the stamp. Please place your used stamps in Martin K's mailbox #55.

Thank you!

Missionary of the Week



Paul Sunkari

**Indian Christian Church
of Sacramento**

Folsom, California

After moving to Folsom in 2001, Paul and his wife had a burden to reach out to the Indian community, so they began leading Bible studies. Things continued to grow until the church was formed in 2012. Their fifth anniversary celebration at the end of October also served as Paul's ordination service. Paul splits his time between leading Indian Christian Church of Sacramento and working as a software engineer. Pray for their ongoing monthly outreach to a local rehab center. Visit sacindianchurch.org for more information.

Ministry of the Week

**Wellman Lake Bible Camp
Duck Mountain Provincial Forest**

The purpose of Wellman Lake Bible Camp is to nurture campers in their relationship with Jesus Christ, through bible-based teaching, Christ-centred relationships, God-oriented worship and God-honouring activities.