

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:

Lilly R
Bev S
Carlisle F
Joel U
Ana T
Monica U
Jason
Rick P

Senior Pastor: Rev. Mark Woods
Associate Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Kroeker
Youth Pastor: Ben Clouston
Office Administrator: Bev Sheridan

WHY WE WORSHIP

Worship _____ – *Exodus 20:4-5*

Worship _____ – *John 4:24*

Worship _____ – *Psalms 95:6*

Worship _____ – *Psalms 100:2*

Worship _____ – *Psalms 96:8*

Worship _____ – *Romans 12:1*

PRAISE & PRAYER

- **Pray for** our shut-ins: Lloyd M and Selma S.
- **Pray for** Christoph & Andrea K who are members of our church, and work as Western Canada reps for Operation Mobilisation recruiting new candidates for OM mission work.
- **Pray for** the Ed L. family as they grieve the loss of their father and grandfather, who went to be with the Lord last Sunday.
- **Pray for** those from our church who have known the way of the Lord but have turned away from Him that He would call them back to Himself.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2016

THIS MORNING:

This morning we are starting a new series of sermons on the church. The church is the representation of Jesus Christ in this world, made up of believers in Jesus in every country. Every week, more people gather for worship in Jesus' name, than do followers of any other religion. In fact, in the US and Canada, more people attend Sunday worship in two weeks than attend all the NHL, NFL, MLB, NBA and CFL games all year. It seems as if the demise of the church in North America has been greatly exaggerated. On top of this, if you take the numbers of people who are involved in volunteer organizations and who give to charitable causes of all sorts, it turns out that church attendees have an impact that far outweighs the basic numbers of those involved. Obviously, the Christian church remains a formidable force in North American society.

But that all begs the question: Why do we have church? Why do people go to church in the first place? What purpose does it serve in their lives? That's the question we will be looking at over these next five weeks. Today we deal with the topic of worship. Why do we worship? What is worship? What does it accomplish? The Bible has a lot to say about this – more than we can possibly deal with in one sermon – but we're going to discover some principles that will make the worship experience a more meaningful experience as we participate in it on a weekly basis.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

COMING UP

Apr 7- Three-Score Plus Bible Study & Prayer Meeting @ 2 pm
 - Church Council Meeting @ 7 pm
 Apr 8 - Men's Pitchfork Fondue Event @ 6 pm
 - BOOST Girls & Guys Separate Night (guys 6 pm / girls 7 pm)
 Apr 10 - Sunday School @ 9:30 am
 - Coffee Time @ 10:30 am
 - Worship @ 11:00 am
 - Bethsaida French Fellowship @ 1:30 pm

KITCHEN PLANNING MEETING

APRIL 11TH

We are having a kitchen planning meeting on April 11th at 7:00 pm for anyone who would like to have input into the new kitchen renovations.

SAVE THE DATE!

HOME - A ROWANDALE LADIES EVENT
 TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2016
 NEW TIME - 7:00 PM
 Tickets on sale next week for \$8

ROWANDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

STATS FOR MARCH 27TH, 2016

ATTENDANCE	275
GENERAL OFFERING	\$6,975.00
WEEKLY GOAL	\$9,760
GIVING TO DATE	\$105,681
BUDGET TO DATE	\$126,880
GOOD FRIDAY ATTENDANCE...	229



**BOOST
 GUYS EVENT
 FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH
 6:00 - 9:30 PM**

The guys will take part in the Men's Pitchfork Fondue event at Art P's place. Guys should be dropped off and picked up at Art's.

**BOOST
 GIRLS EVENT
 FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH
 7:00 - 9:30 PM**

The girls will meet for an evening at the P's place. Drop off and pick up is at the P's.

Young Adults

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

STARTING TODAY and continuing every Sunday, Nancy P will lead a Young Adults Sunday School Class on Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am, downstairs in Room 10. ALL are encouraged to come!

TOWN HALL MEETING

A Town Hall Meeting is planned for Sunday, April 17th at 6:00 pm. Please mark your calendars to attend.

CAPITAL FUND SUNDAY

Sunday, April 17th is Capital Fund Sunday. All offerings received will go into the Capital Fund Account for future major capital projects.



ADULT ELECTIVES

Every Sunday (unless otherwise noted) between 9:30 - 10:30 am, we offer a variety of Adult Electives which you are welcome to participate in.

1. This week the Adult Class in the Board Room began a 9-week animated video series that looks at the major themes of the Bible. This is a great way to gain a deeper understanding of the Bible as a unified whole, rather than as a collection of unrelated stories and historical events that are hard to piece together.

2. This week Pastor Jon began a new 9-week elective in Room 12 entitled "We Believe", exploring our North American Baptist Statement of Beliefs and what it means for our lives today.

3. The Discussion Class - "Biblical Application to Daily Living" is held in the Prayer Room, led by Art P. These are individual weekly topics so if you miss a week you can pick up a new topic the next week. Fellowship starts at 9:30 with the class starting at 9:45.

4. The Sunday Morning Prayer Group - meets in Room 9 in the lower level to pray for the needs of the church.

MEN'S EVENT

"PITCHFORK FONDUE"

FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH

All men are invited to a Pitchfork Fondue this Friday, April 8th at Art P's place starting at 6 pm. Chicken, potatoes and salad will be provided. Bring your own steak if you prefer beef. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the lobby.

PRISON FELLOWSHIP CANADA

Prison Fellowship Canada (PFC) is an organization that serves inmates, ex-offenders, their families and victims, and shares a deep faith in the transformative power of Jesus Christ to heal broken lives. PFC is actively recruiting individuals to partner with them to further grow the ministry in the Manitoba region. Current opportunities include prayer partners, in-prison volunteers, Pen Pal writers, and financial partners. To learn more about how you can get involved, please call 1-844-618-5867 or visit their website at

www.prisonfellowship.ca

VOTING STATION

On April 19th Rowandale will be a voting station for Elections Manitoba between the hours of 8 am - 8 pm. Elections Manitoba will be in the Church from 6:00 am until 11:00 pm. If you can be present to help us supervise the area during this time, please let the office know.

CHURCH PRAYER DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH

Church Prayer Day will be on Tuesday, April 12th with the Prayer Meeting held at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!



Brochures for Summer Camp are available on the table in the lobby. Registrations are open online at www.campnutimik.com.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK



**SHAN REED
 NAB MISSIONARY
 JAPAN**

Shan Reed has been serving as a long-term missionary in Japan since 2001. For the past five years, she has been serving at Komyo Christian Church, a small congregation of six members that usually sees around eighteen people at services each week. Pray for Shan as she leads various Bible studies; pray especially that a man who has been coming to the church and two weekly Bible studies for the past year would continue to learn about Jesus and understand how God is at work in his life. For more information, visit:

<http://nabonmission.org/missionaries/shan-reed>.

MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

MBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- BARRY (FERN) THIESSEN
 MODERATOR
- AL (ANN) DONALD
 TREASURER
- DAPHNE KECK
 RECORDING SECRETARY
- GRACE ELKE
 WOMEN'S MINISTRY