

Welcome to RCC!

We are happy to have you with us today. We hope this will be a special time of worship for you.

Connection Card . . . by filling out the Connection Card, you enable us to know a little more about you and how we can serve you. You can also use this card to make us aware of prayer requests or sign up for various activities.

Parents . . . RCC values kids. We have dedicated ourselves to providing a caring and safe environment where they can learn about God in a way that is appropriate to their age level. Please visit the Resource Center at the back of the Worship Center or ask one of our Greeters for a listing of youth activities and locations.

Welcome Centers . . . if you're new to RCC, please bring your Connection Card to one of our Welcome Centers, located in both foyers. We'd love to meet you, answer any questions you might have and give you a special gift!

About Communion . . . communion is served in every worship service and is open to all who follow Christ. When served, you will find the bread and juice stacked in two cups, hold the cups and take when you are ready. Baskets will be passed to collect empty cups.

Urgent Prayer Requests

Leader on Call . . . Jim Wilkerson . . . 891-0934 ♦ Prayer Vine . . . Laura Welch . . . 741-5927

QUESTIONS?

Stop by the Welcome Center or contact the church office at 498.9264 or office@rochesterchristian.com

FULL-TIME STAFF

Lead Pastor, Brad Ferris • Adult Discipleship Pastor, Shawn Smith • Children's Pastor, Curtis Batchelder
• Student Pastor, Matt O'Dell • Worship & Creative Arts Pastor, Ethan Tapscott • Missions Director,
Heidi Wareham • Business Manager, April Vinyard • Office Manager, Laura Welch

PART-TIME STAFF

Early Childhood Director, Lisa Moore • Preschool Director, Julie Hart
• Communication Director, Emilie Tapscott • Building & Grounds, Kirk Barton

BAPTISMS IN 2018: 16 ♦ GENERAL FUND WEEKLY NEED: \$19,504 / OFFERING 12/02/18: NOT AVAILABLE

Ways to Connect at RCC!

Christmas Eve Elves . . . we need lots of help greeting, passing out bulletins, passing communion, and providing parking lot directions. Anyone willing to help, sign up at the back of the Worship Center!

Elder Affirmation for 2019 . . . Sunday, December 16, the congregation will have the opportunity to affirm the men who will serve as elders for 2019. They are . . . Clark Blade; Travis Blaney; Mike Long; Todd Magruder; Jon Nordstrom; and Jim Wilkerson. *Pick up a bio and picture of each elder recommended for the affirmation on the Resource Center at the back of the Worship Center today.* All members of RCC are asked to participate in this annual vote of affirmation for those God is calling to lead in 2019.

Baptism Class for Kids . . . has your kids been asking you questions about baptism? You think they might be ready but you aren't sure where to start? Then this class is for you and your kids. Our next Baptism Class for Kids will be a two-part class on December 11 & 13 from 6:00-7:15 pm in Room 232. We encourage parents to attend along with their kids. Sign up on your Connection Card today.

Christmas in KidZone & Jr. High . . . KidZone and Jr. High schoolers will meet on December 19 to celebrate the greatest gift in all of history—the birth of God's only son—Jesus Christ. Bring all your friends!

Christmas & New Year's . . . on Sunday, December 23, and Sunday, December 30, we will have one worship service at 10:00 am on each Sunday. Families are encouraged to worship together. There will be **NO** Children's Worship, Bible classes for children or adults or Early Childhood.

Christmas Eve Worship Services . . . at 4:00 and 6:00 pm. Join us for "All I Want For Christmas" a story of the hope of Christmas.

Wednesday Evening Winter Break . . . there will be **NO** KidZone, Jr. High, or Small Groups on December 26, January 2, or January 9. We will resume our regularly scheduled Wednesday evening programming on January 16. See you next year!

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US . . .

- Friend/family: _____
 Sign/drove by Website

I'D LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT . . .

- Small Groups Student Ministry
 Mission Trips Children's Ministry
 Serving

SIGN ME UP FOR . . .

- Baptism Class for Kids**, December 11 & 13

WE WOULD LOVE TO PRAY FOR YOU OR FOR SOMEONE IN YOUR LIFE. YOU CAN LET US KNOW BY SUBMITTING A REQUEST.

- Confidential . . . unless marked "confidential," the request will be put on our prayer list.

Requested by: _____

CONNECTION CARD

Please fill out this card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter at the Welcome Center.

Name: _____

Service attended: 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:45 am

YOUR INFORMATION . . .

I am: a first-time visitor a member/regular attender
 a returning visitor updating information

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____

(C) _____

E-mail: _____

Which best describes you?

<18 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 >55
 student single married widow

I'D LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT . . .

- Baptism
 Becoming a member
 Small Group Connection
 Sign me up for your e-news letter

12/09/18

Sermon Notes . . .

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS . . . A PURPOSE

Luke 2:1-20

SOME LESSONS TO LEARN ABOUT GOD'S PURPOSE . . .

1. _____ IN GOD'S _____.
Luke 2:1-7; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 6:8
2. _____ THE _____ FOR A _____.
1 Timothy 2:3-4; Luke 2:8-14; Luke 19:10; Mark 2:17; Numbers 32:23; Romans 5:6; Daniel 7:14
3. MAKE _____ TO BE _____. Luke 2:19; Psalm 46:10
4. _____ THE _____.
Luke 2:15-20; Ephesians 2:10; Proverbs 16:9; Proverbs 19:21; Psalm 37:23; Psalm 138:8

Our challenge: Leading up to Christmas Eve, let's pray for one minute at 1:00 pm every day for one person who is spiritually lost.

You may connect to the internet by choosing the RCC Guest Network on your Wi-Fi enabled devices, use the password: rccguest.



welcome to **rochester**
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

date // **DECEMBER 9, 2018**

message // **ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS . . . A PURPOSE**

teaching // **BRAD FERRIS, LEAD PASTOR**



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WEEKEND SERVICES
Sundays at 8:00; 9:15 & 10:45