

**OUR VISION:** RVCC's vision is to equip our church body to bring God's redemptive story to our community and the world.

**OUR MISSION:**

RVCC exists to love, serve and offer hope.



**OUR CORE VALUES**

1. God the Father is love; therefore, He calls us to love all people.  
*1 John 4:16; Romans 13:9-10; John 13:34-35*
2. God's love calls us to lead people into a relationship with Jesus Christ. *Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 1:8*
3. God's love calls us to mentor people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. *Matthew 28:19*
4. God's love calls every believer to discover and engage in their God-given ministry. *Psalms 139:13-16*
5. God's love calls us to participate in a biblical community and a life style of worship. *Acts 2:42-47*
6. God's love calls us to embrace the fullness of the Holy Spirit.  
*Romans 8:1; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11*
7. God's love calls us to a lifestyle of generosity.  
*Isaiah 58:6-11; 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Acts 4:32-35*



**New around here?** We're so glad to see you!

Welcome to RVCC! We hope you are blessed today as we worship The Lord together. If you are new to our family we have a gift waiting for you at Guest Services. Please feel free to fill out a COMMUNICATION CARD. Thank you!

Mark Borrows, Lead Pastor  
Simon Tracey, Assistant Pastor  
Derek Letwinetz, Discipleship & Community Engagement Pastor  
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**RVCC OFFICE HOURS**

Tue-Wed 9:00am - 3:00pm (Closed for Lunch) Thurs – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
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Please bring your own headphones or earbuds.



River Valley  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

CALLED TO

Love, Serve  
AND OFFER  
Hope

January 19, 2025

Public Wi-Fi Password is: RVCchurch

[WWW.RIVERVALLEYCOMMUNITYCHURCH.CA](http://WWW.RIVERVALLEYCOMMUNITYCHURCH.CA)

Welcome!

Pastor Simon Tracey  
"Generosity" - 2 Corinthians 9:9-13

Because of the **service** by which you have **proved yourselves**, others will **PRAISE GOD** for the obedience that accompanies your **confession of the gospel of Christ**, and for your **GENEROSITY in sharing** with them and with everyone else.

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:13**



**Are you interest in MEMBERSHIP?**

We are excited to come together as a local body to work together in RVCC's vision to bring God's redemptive story to our community & the world. Working together in our mission to love, serve & offer hope. **Membership Qualifications:** 18 years of age or over, give credible profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, desire to live in harmony with this body of believers, accept the doctrinal standards in the Statement of Faith, be a regular financial supporter of this church, have regularly attended this church for a minimum of 6 months. (NOTE: New Members will not be received 30 days prior to any duly called congregational meeting.) **If you would like to become a member please pick up a Membership Packet at Guest Services. For more information or questions please contact the Church Office (403) 504-0123**

**WAYS TO GIVE**

- **In Person**– Cash & Cheques in donation box in the Worship Centre or Debit/Credit Machine at Guest Services
- **Mobile Giving**- Tithe.ly app
- **E-Transfer**– info@rivervalleychurch.ca

**Prayer Requests &**

**Hospital Visitation:** If you have a prayer need and would like our Leadership Team to be praying we ask that you let us know by filling out a Communication Card or contacting the Church office.

**NEED A BIBLE?** If you don't have a Bible but would like one we have Bibles available. Speak to one of our staff and we will get you one.

**Communion:** is available every Sunday for anyone who would like to partake. It is on the table to the left of the platform.

Upcoming **EVENTS**

**First Fruit 2025 Offering:**

See Bulletin Insert for details.  
**First Fruits will be accepted January 1 to February 2, 2025**  
Use the designated envelope provided in the bulletin, also available at Guest Services.



**Young @ Heart 55+**

**LUNCH & A MOVIE AFTERNOON**  
**Friday, January 24—Noon to 3 PM**  
Join us at noon for a Hot Dog lunch followed by the movie "God's Not Dead: In God We Trust"



**RVCC Youth**

**Friday Nights @ 7 PM**  
Grade 7-12



**City Wide Youth: Jan. 31 @ Hillcrest**



Weekly **EVENTS**

*Sunday, January 19*

**Pre-Service Prayer**  
9:45-10:15 AM In Prayer Room  
**Worship Service : 10:27 AM**  
Will be live streamed on YouTube

**PROMISELAND**  
**Children's Ministry**

**Please check in at the Kidcheck Kiosk located in The Edge**

**Nursery** (6mths – 2): Located in the room off the Edge

**Junior & Grade School Promiseland will be dismissed during the Service.**

**Junior** (Age 3 – Kindergarten): Located in Kid Zone Room 3

**Grade School** (Gr 1-5): Located in Kid Zone Room 2

**Youth Conversation Couch**

Youth in Grades 6 and up will be dismissed during the service to join a Leader in the Youth Room to watch the service together.

*Thursday, January 23*

**10 AM Coffee @ the Edge**  
Everyone Welcome!



*Friday, January 24*

**12 PM Young @ Heart**  
Lunch & A Movie

**7 PM RVCC Youth Alpha**



**FIRST FRUIT OFFERING:  
JANUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 2, 2025**

**GIVING OUR FIRST PORTION BACK TO GOD**

Once again, we are challenging everyone to bring a “First Offering”.

**What is a First Fruit offering?** The Scripture teaches that everything ‘first’ is holy to God. God taught Israel to bring First Fruits as an offering of the land. It was the first portion of their crops. He promised he would bless them for it. This is a powerful scriptural principle.

Our ‘first’ portion this year will be sown into many parts—designating 1/3 to Bridges for Peace, 1/3 2026 RVCC Young Adult & Youth Missions Trip, and the remaining 1/3 to be split between the Mustard Seed, Nurture Pregnancy Centre, Prairie Gleaners, Whispering Pines Camp, Anja Runtz with YWAM, Rock Solid Refuge and The MH Skateboarders Association. Please pray and ask the Holy Spirit what you should give ‘first.’

Please direct your regular tithe offering into the general fund and any ‘first fruits’ offering **please use the designated First Fruits envelopes** found in your bulletin and at Guest Services. Then trust God to look after you financially as He has promised.

<b>WORLD MISSIONS:</b>		Christians supporting Israel and building relationship between Christians and Jews in Israel and around the world.
	<a href="http://www.bridgesforpeace.com">www.bridgesforpeace.com</a>	
<b>2026 RVCC Young Adult &amp; Youth Missions Trip:</b> Details to come as we prepare to send a group from RVCC on a Missions Trip.		
		
<a href="http://theseed.ca">theseed.ca</a>	<a href="http://nurturepregnancycentre.ca">nurturepregnancycentre.ca</a>	<a href="http://rocksolidrefuge.com">rocksolidrefuge.com</a>
		
<a href="http://medhatskate.ca">medhatskate.ca</a>	<a href="http://whisperingpinescamp.ca">whisperingpinescamp.ca</a>	<a href="http://my.charitableimpact.com/groups/anja-runtz-ra15">my.charitableimpact.com/ groups/anja-runtz-ra15</a>
		
<a href="http://prairiegleaners.com">prairiegleaners.com</a>		

**2 Corinthians 9:7-8** “...for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”