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WITH US

## WELCOME TO RVCC! We are so glad you're here.

If you're new around here, please know you are warmly welcomed and appreciated. Feel free to grab a coffee in the Edge and visit our Guest Services where we have a GIFT for you. Please fill out a Communication Card and put it in the offering box at the back of the Worship Centre.

**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.

### PRAYER REQUESTS & HOSPITAL VISITATION:

If you are in the hospital or 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 contact the Church Office.

### PASTORAL TEAM:

**Mark Borrow**, Lead Pastor  
**Simon Tracey**, Assistant Pastor  
**Derek Letwinetz**, Discipleship & Community Engagement Pastor  
**Ken Roset**, Pastor of Care Ministries  
**Anja Runtz**, Worship Director

### OFFICE ADMINISTRATION:

**Linda Klaiber**, Executive Assistant  
**Cherlynn Wiest**, Administrative Assistant

### RVCC OFFICE HOURS:

Tue-Wed: 9am – 3pm (Closed for Lunch) Thurs-Fri: 9am – 12pm

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 [rivervalleycommunitychurch.ca](http://rivervalleycommunitychurch.ca)



**E-transfer:**  
[info@rivervalleychurch.ca](mailto:info@rivervalleychurch.ca)

### 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.

**RIVER  
VALLEY  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**



**January 4, 2026  
Happy New Year!**

Speaker: Pastor Mark Borrow  
"A Challenge for Your Thinking"

## WEEKLY AT RVCC:

### RVCC YOUNG ADULT- (Age 18-30)

Wednesdays at 6:45 PM at the Church in the Edge.

### THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Join us Thursdays at 9:30 AM in the Prayer Room, as we pray for our RVCC Ministries, our neighbourhood, city, country and world.

### RVCC YOUTH (Grades 7-12)

Fridays @ 7 PM – meet at the Church

## UPCOMING AT RVCC:

### CONCERT OF PRAYER: **TODAY, Sunday, January 4 @ 6 PM**

Join us as we gather to welcome 2026 with hearts lifted in praise & prayer.

### THE POTTER'S HOUSE CAFE- starting Thursday, Jan. 15

**Thursdays @ 10 AM:** Come join us for a Morning Ministry Coffee Time Meeting in Zones 1 & 2, *FREE Coffee*, Everyone Welcome!

### FOUNDATIONS: Mondays @ 7 PM starting Jan. 19 in Zone 1

A series to help believers build a solid faith, understand God's love and grace, and discover your identity in Christ. **SIGN UP AT GUEST SERVICES**

### EQUIP: Wednesdays @ 7 PM starting Jan. 21 in Zone 2

Discipleship Training Program designed to equip you with practical tools and biblical principles to make disciples who make disciples.

**SIGN UP AT GUEST SERVICES**

### YOUNG @ HEART 55+: Lunch and Movie Afternoon, Friday, Jan. 23

**Noon to 4 PM**, Serving Borsch Soup/Buns and Hot Dogs for Lunch. Followed by a movie with pop/popcorn/concession. Donations are welcome.

### WAGING WAR FOR INNER HEALING: Purpose in the Pain

**Friday, Jan. 23 @ 6 PM** –Healing Conference with Kathy Janzen

If you struggle to understand the purpose of suffering, come learn how God uses pain to refine faith, reveal Himself and bring redemption, hope and healing through His word. **EVERYONE WELCOME**

If you are interested in being baptized, please sign up at Guest Services or contact one of our Pastors.

### UPCOMING BAPTISMAL SERVICE: Sunday, January 25, 2026

*By being baptized you are declaring your faith in Jesus Christ, symbolizing His death, burial and resurrection.* Information packs available at Guest Services.

## SUNDAYS AT RVCC:

Public Wi-Fi Password is: RVCchurch

**Pre-Service Prayer:** 9:45-10:15 AM in the Prayer Room

**Worship Service:** 10:27 AM (will be live streamed on YouTube)



### Promiseland Children's Ministry

Will be dismissed during the service

Please check in children & youth at the Check-In Station located in the Edge.

- Nursery (6mth-2): Located in the room off the Edge
- Junior (Age 3-Gr. 1): Located in Kid Zone Room 3
- Grade School (Gr. 2-4): Located in Kid Zone Room 2
- Grade School (Gr. 5-6): Located in Kid Zone Room 1

**Youth Conversation Couch:** No Conversation Couch Today  
*Youth Grades 7 and up will remain in the service. Thank you*



**COMMUNION TODAY:** please pick up your communion available at the back of the Worship Centre.



Hearing Assistance device available for those in need at the Sound Booth.  
Please bring your own headphones or earbuds.

### First Fruits 2026 Offering: **See Bulletin insert for details.**

First Fruits will be accepted Jan. 4 to Feb. 1, 2026. Use the designated envelope provided in the bulletin, also available at Guest Services.



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all your streaming devices  
to access your account.**

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If you haven't already, sign up!

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the QR code or go to:**



[www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/RiverValleyCommunity](http://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/RiverValleyCommunity)

# FIRST FRUITS 2026

GIVING OUR FIRST  
PORTION BACK TO  
GOD

First Fruits Offering:  
Jan. 4 – Feb. 1, 2026

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

**What is First Fruits 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 to World Compassion and the remaining 1/3 to be split between our local ministries (Whispering Pines Camp, Prairie Gleaners, Nurture Pregnancy Centre, UCB Radio Medicine Hat, M.H. Skateboard Association and a Local Pastor).** 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 envelope** found in your bulletin and at Guest Services. Mark your E-transfers “First Fruits” in the notes. Then trust God to look after you financially as He has promised.

## World Missions:



Christians supporting Israel. Helping Jewish people around the world immigrate to Israel, putting food on the tables of those in need, providing for Israelis in practical ways during times of crisis and much more.

[www.bridgesforpeace.com](http://www.bridgesforpeace.com)



World Compassion reaches nations restricted to the Gospel by equipping the local church in these environments. Their ministry includes Compassion, Evangelism, Discipleship and Church Planting.

[www.worldcompassion.tv](http://www.worldcompassion.tv)

## Local Missions:



[whisperingpinescamp.ca](http://whisperingpinescamp.ca)  
[prairiegleaners.com](http://prairiegleaners.com)



[ucbradio.com](http://ucbradio.com)

Local Pastor from  
Medicine Hat



[medhatskate.ca](http://medhatskate.ca)



[nurturepregnancycentre.ca](http://nurturepregnancycentre.ca)