

Welcome to River Terrace Church

Today at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM

"Jekyll and Hyde Humanity: Surprising Goodness"

based on Matthew 2:1-12

Message by Pastor Brent Wassink

Special Offering: Faith-In-Action

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for All Ages

Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym

"First Reformed" A discussion on the acclaimed movie by Christian Reformed/Calvin College alumnus, Paul Schrader

Next Sunday at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM

"Jekyll and Hyde Humanity: Shocking Badness"

based on Matthew 2:16-19

Message by Pastor Brent Wassink

Special Offering: Campus Edge Fellowship

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for All Ages

Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym

"The Death of John Allen Chau and Missionary Work"

Discussion Questions for Groups or at Dinner

1. Have you ever felt like you, or someone else, doesn't belong in God's family, the church? Or observed this? Describe.
2. Why, for Matthew's readers, were magi unlikely to belong to God? Isaiah 47:13-15 might help here.
3. Describe a way God's creation, including your life experiences, prompted you to go to the Bible for help.
4. Discuss: if the Bible doesn't bring you to Jesus, you're misreading it.
5. The magi worshipped Jesus with their time and attention, financial giving, and by obeying God rather than a peer. Which response to Jesus is most challenging for you today?

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Ignite Sunday Night Resumes TONIGHT: Enjoy the final moments of the holiday break with an Ignite Game Night! We will eat dinner together from 5:30 to 6:00 PM, but there will be separate gatherings for the middle school from 4:15 to 6:00 PM and high school from 5:30 to 7:30 PM groups. Friends are more than welcome!

Youth Bible Study on January 9: Students are invited to a Bible study geared specifically toward middle schoolers and high schoolers. We will look at God's Word, play some games and have fun! We encourage students and families to come early for Community Night dinner, which resumes on January 9, starting at 5:45 PM.

Ignite Event: Winter Jam Concert: Christian music's largest annual tour is coming to Grand Rapids on Friday, January 18 and Ignite is going to be there! Just \$20 gets each person a ticket to the concert (featuring Newsboys United, Rend Collective, Danny Gokey, Mandisa and more) and dinner. We will meet at RTC no later than 4:00 PM to carpool to Van Andel Arena. Please turn in money by Sunday, January 13 so we can organize rides. Friends are welcome to join the fun!

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Fresh Fruit Donations is next Sunday.

Giving Box: Soaps, shampoo, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, tissues, dish soap, laundry soap, etc.

C.A.P. Peanut butter, jellies, soups, crackers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **annual congregational meeting** will be held at 10:10 AM on Sunday, January 20, 2019, for approval of the 2019 budget. All members are invited to attend and vote.

Giving Envelops for 2019 are available in the gathering hall.

Calvin College's January Series: January 3-23 weekdays. Watch the lectures live via internet feed in the sanctuary at River Terrace Church from 12:30 to 1:30 PM each weekday. Visit calvin.edu/january for details on presenters and topics, remote site locations and times, online listening, and past presentation archives.

THIS WEEK

Campus Edge Fellowship: Mon., Nov. 5, 7:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Grad students, join us for snacks as we start our study on conversations that matter. For more information, contact brenda@campusedgemsu.com for more information.

Mom to Mom: Tues., Jan. 8, 9:20 AM, Gym.

Christian Service Brigade: Tues., Jan. 8, 7:00 PM. Boys, gr. 1-12.

Men's Sunrise Bible Study: Wed., Jan. 9, 6:45 AM, Mtg. Room.

Pastor's Bible Study: Wed., Jan. 9, 10:00 AM, Quad. The winter series "Roadmap to Eternity" will explore what Jesus and the New Testament tell us about eternity.

Prayer Gathering: Wed., Jan. 9, 12:30 PM, Prayer Room.

COMMUNITY NIGHT – Wednesday, January 9

5:45-6:30 PM: Community Dinner – Entré: soup, salad bar, mac & cheese for the kids, ice cream and brownies for dessert. Suggested donation: \$6/adult, \$3/kids 5-12; free for kids under 5.

6:30-7:45 PM: Nursery (ages 0-3)

Kingdom Kids (ages, 4, 5, and K)

GEMS (girls, grades 1-6), **Cadets** (boys, grades 1-6)

Youth Bible Study (students, grades 6-12)

Adult Education:

Women's Bible Study – Meeting Room

"Heaven, Hell, and C.S. Lewis' *The Great Divorce*"

- East Quad

English as a Second Language – West Quad

Quality Living – Rooms 6 & 7

Friendship Ministry - Fellowship Hall

Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Breathing Space Yoga & Prayer: Thurs., Jan. 10, 7:00 PM, Quad.

Breathing Space Yoga & Prayer: Sat., Jan 12, 9:00 AM, Quad.

Campus Edge Fellowship: Sat., Jan. 12, 6:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Grad students, join us for dinner and our study on difficult conversations.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS and PRAYERS

Prayers are appreciated for the **Geers family** as Robert will be donating a kidney to his father, Dave, on January 30.

Our continued prayers are appreciated for **Kim Emery, Herm Geers, Lucille Kuiper, Jane Outslay, Margie Stephenson, Lynn Stewart, Joy Sytsma and Jean Wallin.**