

WELCOME TO RIVER TERRACE CHURCH

January 5 at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
"Jesus, in Charge: *Breaks Barriers to God*"
Based on Matthew 8:1-17
Message by Pastor Brent Wassink
Special Offering: Faith in Action

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for all Ages
Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym
"The Convict, the President and Turkey"
The Captivity and Release of Missionary Andrew Brunson

Sunday Sermon Discussion: Quad

Next Sunday: January 12 at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM

"Jesus, in Charge: *Calls into Chaos*"
Based on Matthew 8:18-34
Message by Pastor Brent Wassink
Special Offering: Campus Edge Fellowship
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
River Terrace at the Movies: "Arrival" (2016)
Patti Spinner, MSU Linguistics professor

Sunday Sermon Discussion: Quad

College Class/International Bible Study: Meeting Room

Questions for Small Group Discussion

1. What's your experience with New Year's resolutions?
2. The man with leprosy had a big problem himself, the centurion's big problem was someone he cared about. Who do you most identify with? Why?
3. Is it hard or easy for you to bring your big problems to Jesus? Explain.
4. What's a way you can follow Jesus in breaking barriers to God for others?
5. What might be a practical way to help you follow through on your desire to follow Jesus?

TODAY

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for all Ages

Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym

"The Convict, the President and Turkey"

The Captivity and Release of Missionary Andrew Brunson

Sunday Sermon Discussion: Quad

FYI: RTC. Stop in to the Meeting Room today immediately after the 9:00 or 11:15 service. There will be a pastor and a member of our staff/council to answer your questions about River Terrace Church.

Ignite Ice Skating: All Ignite students, leaders and friends are invited to join us tonight from 4:00 to 7:00 PM for ice skating and dinner. Cost is \$10 per person. Meet at RTC by 4:00 PM to carpool to Munn Ice Arena to skate. We'll come back to RTC for dinner afterward. Let Brendan know ASAP if you are coming!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please check the **Lost and Found** table located in the gathering hall.

For the **Adult Forum** in the Gym on Sunday, January 12, be sure to watch the 2016 film "Arrival" with Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner. The film can be rented on Amazon or YouTube, or borrowed from a local library. Linguist Dr. Patti Spinner from MSU will assess the content of the movie in our discussion.

The **annual congregational meeting** will be held at 10:10 AM on Sunday, January 19, 2020, for approval of the 2020 budget. All members are invited to attend and vote.

Giving Envelopes for 2020 are available in the gathering hall today.

Calvin College's January Series: January 8-28 weekdays. Watch the lectures live via internet feed in the sanctuary at River Terrace from 12:30 to 1:30 PM each weekday. Visit calvin.edu/january for details.

THIS WEEK

Campus Edge Fellowship: Mon., Jan. 6, 7:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Grad students, join us for snacks as we study on Isaiah 60-61. For more information, contact brenda@campusedgemsu.com.

Mom to Mom: Tues., Jan. 7, 9:20 AM, Gym.

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

Men's Sunrise Bible Study: Wed., Jan. 8, 6:45 AM, Mtg. Room.

Pastor's Bible Study: Wed., Jan. 8, 10:00 AM, Quad. The winter series is "Colossians – Spiritual Fulness in Christ."

Prayer Gathering: Wed., Jan. 8, 12:30 PM, Prayer Room.

COMMUNITY NIGHT – Wednesday, January 8

5:45-6:30 PM: Community Dinner – Entrée: soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, sides and 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:

"Key Questions of the Christian Faith" – East Quad

English as a Second Language – West Quad

Quality Living – Rooms 7 & 8

Friendship Ministry - Fellowship Hall

Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

ARK Chinese Christian Fellowship: Sat., Jan. 11, 9:45 AM.

Campus Edge Fellowship: Sat., Jan. 11, 6:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Join us for dinner and our study on Isaiah 55-56.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Fresh Fruit Donation for the Homeless Angels: Next Sunday.

Giving Box: Shampoo, bar soap, sanitary products.

Community Assistance Program: Peanut butter, jellies, soups, crackers.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS and PRAYERS

Dear friends,

We hope your holidays were meaningful and included some fun, as ours did. We're grateful for your encouragement, look forward to what God has for RTC in 2020, and are glad to let you know we now have a permanent address.

- Brent and Glenda

Our continued prayers are appreciated for **Henry Boyer, Mercedes Christie, Judy Hamilton, Lucille Kuiper, Jan Lanker, Jane Outslay, Jim Pignataro, Margie Stephenson, Jim Sytsma, Tao Tao, Jean Wallin and Andy Worgul.**