## Money, Faith & Worship:

(as at Apr 30th)	Year-to-Date	Prior YTD	Variance
Revenue	\$ 16,385	\$ 20,020	\$ (3,635)
Expenses	<u>\$ 21,119</u>	<u>\$ 22,281</u>	<u>\$ (1,162)</u>
	\$ (4,735)	\$(2,261)	\$ (2,474)

July and August had an overall deficit of \$4,735 for the period, compared to a deficit of \$2,261 in the same period last year. This mainly arose because donations were down \$3,600 compared to summer last year.

As a result cash is tight with a balance of \$1,284. The River still has a GIC of \$8,315, which will need to be redeemed unless any major donations come in.

Thank you to all of you who faithfully give to support the River.

Please make cheques payable to "The River Church" or "The River Squamish BC".

## **Upcoming Church Gatherings**

Sept 15<sup>th</sup> – Kick-Off / Launch Sunday

September 22<sup>nd</sup> - Simple Church / Various Options

September 29th – Brunch Sunday / City Wide @ Don Ross

October 6<sup>th</sup> – Simple Church / Various Options

October 13th - City Wide @ Don Ross

October 20<sup>th</sup> - Simple Church / Various Options





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# City Wide Gathering September 15th, 2019

River Kids Program Little Dippers Pre-School Program Service Starts 10:00 am



**About Us:** The River Churches' guiding ideas are these: 'GET REAL' **Grace-Filled, E**ngaged, **T**ruthful, **R**elational, **E**xperiential, **A**uthentic, **L**oving. One way we live this out, is by embracing a Simple Church Hybrid Model. The 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month we gather together in smaller gatherings, called Simple Churches. One of which, meets at Don Ross Secondary School (DRSS). On the 2nd & 4th Sunday we host what is called a CWG (City Wide Gathering), where all the Simple Churches gather together at DRSS. This allows us to GET REAL and be the kind of people God has called us to be in this community. When we have a 5th Sunday in a month, we do something we call "Brunch Sundays". The early church was said to have regular times where they gathered to break bread, and enjoy a meal together. These Brunch Sundays are our attempt at making that happen. To learn more about what makes The River unique, please check out our website at <a href="www.intheriver.ca">www.intheriver.ca</a>

**Mission Statement:** We are a network of Simple Churches, immersed in the grace of God, created to be rivers of life (rivers of healing / rivers of mercy / rivers of kindness etc.) to our city and beyond.

**Our Vision:** Our Vision is simply...Jesus. Apprentices of Jesus, creating apprentices of Jesus who live by faith, are known by love, and a voice of hope.

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# **News & Events**

#### Mon Sept 16th FOT & Men's Group:

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. 7:30pm Kick Off Night at Hoshino's For more info contact lim or Richard

www.intheriver.ca/community/mens-group

Sunday Sept 21st Whitecaps Faith **& Family Event:** Sept 21st at 2:00 pm Cost \$27

Sun Sept 29th Brunch Sunday: If

#### there is a 5th Sunday in a month, we share a meal together. These Sunday's focus on prayer and community. They include a short teaching time, singing, prayer and a potluck. Please bring something breakfast(y) to

share. Meal starts at 10am, so aim to have food there by 945. Coffee, juice and tea will be provided. If possible, please bring your own coffee mug, plates and utensils. .

#### Tuesdays New Study 1st & 2nd Peter & Jude: Starts Sept 17th Group meets roughly twice a month Come on out to find out more and meet the group. Contact Steve Klassen sklassen@telus.net

## **Elderly Hymn Service at Hilltop:**

2-3pm @ Hilltop House. Contact Dorothy Wikkerink dorothyrenema@hotmail.com or 604-849-6205 for more info.

#### Month of Prayer: Sept 15th to Oct

13th: This month of prayer is geared to be on the go. Prayer on the Go. Most prayer events scheduled are NOT in a quite prayer room, but outside, around a flagpole, on the beach around a fire, on a hiking or mountain bike trail, and if we have to, inside a house but only if we have to.

#### Check the website on how to get plugged in.

https://www.intheriver.ca/events/sep t-15-oct-13-month-of-prayer/2019-09-15

#### Christmas Shoebox: October 13th to Nov. 24th - drop off at NSAC in North Vancouver

Faith on Tap: 7:30pm @ the Hoshino's -FOT will launch with the "other" Men's Group. Come find out where to connect.

#### September 27th Simple Church & **Elders Training Weekend:** Mandatory for all Simple Church & Elders and Future Leaders

https://www.intheriver.ca/events/simplechurch-elders-training-weekend/2019-05-03

## **Fueling Thought**

#### Let Him Love You

"The question of receiving the love of Christ is really very important. I personally feel more and more that sometimes it is harder for us to fully receive love than to give it. I am more and more convinced that we will find the peace and joy of Christ when we let Him truly enter into the deepest places of our heart, especially those places where we are afraid, insecure and self-rejecting."

Henri Nouwen



# Living Out Jesus' Love

#### **Children and Youth Programs**

**Vision:** For kids to have a safe place where they know God's love, learn what it means to be like lesus and experience the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

**Leaders:** All teachers in our children's programs are members of the River Church and have completed criminal record checks. For safety, we follow the policies and procedures outlined in Plan To Protect. For questions, comments or to volunteer, contact Kenda Reimer at kendar@intheriver.ca

#### Little Dippers (infant to school age):

We have teachers on a rotation however. parents are welcome to stay with their children if need be. The format we use is story, pray, play. Whenever possible we use the carpeted room beside the main meeting space. If unavailable, we set up inside the hallway across from the gym. If you would like to be on this rotation, contact Kenda.

## River Kids (kindergarten to Gr.6):

The kids are dismissed after the singing. River Kids runs only on CWG weeks - 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. On Simple Church weeks we strive to include everyone. We encourage children to participate with the adults wherever they are meeting.

#### Young Life (Gr.7 to 12):

If you're a teen ages 13-18 and looking to connect with other youth city wide who follow lesus or are interested in lesus please contact Allyson Huguet, our Young Life Leader for Squamish at

www.facebook.com/pages/SquamishYoungLife.

**Global Missions**: Part of your general giving helps to fund Canadian CMA missionaries worldwide. We had a link agreement with Gaileen but she is now retiring. We are in discussion with other missionaries we know to start a relationship with them. We are excited about what this new partnership could look like.

#### Simple Churches (1st & 3rd Sundays)

Tantalus Simple Church: 5:30-8:30pm Contact: Richard

richard.hoshino@gmail.com and Karen Hoshino kareninnara@yahoo.ca mail4jimn@gmail.com or 604-892-4256

#### **Paradise Valley Simple Church:**

10am, ending with a meal @ Rolf & Christine Rutishauser's in Paradise Valley. rcruti@gmail.com

Don Ross Simple Church: 10am. Darcy & Kenda will be leading at Don Ross, this way there is always a gathering there. Our hope for this Simple Church is to become a launching-pad for other Simple Churches.

If you have an idea for a Simple Church (4 people or more, or just two to three people), please talk to **Pastor Darcy** 

#### **Growth Streams**

Women's Group: Some ideas for the year are still in the works. If you have any questions/ideas contact Kenda kendar@intheriver.ca

Men's Group: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. 7:30pm Contact Jim or Richard www.intheriver.ca/community/mens-group

**Listening Prayer Ministry:** Are you feeling stuck? What if lesus wants to come alongside and speak into that? Listening Prayer is wonderful for encouragement, inner healing and giving any burdens to Jesus that were never meant to be carried alone. Contact Claudia claudiauweiland@gmail.com

Faith on Tap: Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month at 8pm. www.intheriver.ca/community/faith-on-tap