

Money, Faith & Worship:

Bank balance	\$ 12,962
Fund Surplus	\$ 9,088
April Revenue	\$ 10,609
April Expenses	\$ 11,595
Year-to-date surplus	\$ 5,021

Please keep in mind that it costs money to do ministry and function as a local church body (i.e. salary, office rent, site rent, office supplies, ministry expenses, etc.).

Thank-you faithful contributors in The River Church. Giving of your finances is an act of Worship to God and we again thank-you for your faithful stewardship in this area.

River Church Treasurer

City Wide Gatherings

July 2nd

July 9th

July 16th

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The River Church

City Wide Gathering

June 25th, 2017

River Kids Program

Little Dippers Pre-School Program

Pre-Service Prayer 9:15 – 10:00 am

Service Starts 10:00 am



About Us: The River Church values relationships over programs; after all ministry is relationships. What that means is that we encourage people to meet in small groups of 2-3 or more on a regular basis. In the larger context we as a church gather every Sunday in what we call City Wide Gatherings; where we come together in order to purposefully re-connect with one another, and together engage and join the Trinity in worship and biblical teaching.

Identity Statement: We are a network of Simple Churches: immersed in the grace of God, listening to the Spirit, freed to live out Jesus' love.

Our Vision is Jesus: We value being a people who are: Refreshingly Grace Filled, Joyfully Engaging, Undividedly Truthful, Wholly Relational, Unashamedly Experiential, Wildly Authentic, and Practically Loving.

Mission Statement: Live by faith, known by love, voice of hope...

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News & Events

Faith on Tap: Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 8pm. Upcoming dates: June 29th July 6th, and 20th at the Reimer's.

Women's Retreat: Sat July 8, a day of fun, activity and connection at AnnaMarie Rutishauser's home in Paradise Valley. Lunch and dinner, with the option for hiking, paddle boarding, relaxing or creating in between. The day will end with a bonfire (weather permitting). A contribution of \$5-10 is appreciated to cover food costs, or bring your own food if you prefer. Children welcome - napping areas are available. For more details or to RSVP please contact: Heather Kennedy 778-997-5017 heather.lj.kennedy@gmail.com, or AnnaMarie Rutishauser 604-849-6185 r.annamarie@gmail.com.

Combined Men's Breakfast: A great opportunity to get to know men outside our church. Squamish Baptist has a Men's Breakfast every second Saturday of each month (July 8th) from 8:30-10am.

Brunch Sunday: July 16th Designed to be visitor friendly, with extended time around the table; allowing for conversation and connection. How we listen, interact, and share a meal with one another is all part of our worship. Please come and engage. Everyone is encouraged to bring some breakfast-type food to share. Upcoming Brunch Sundays: Sep 17th & Nov 19th

Church Birthday Party: It's been 12 years since The River began! Sept 17th come on out to share some memories and give glory to God for an amazing 12 years, and for a bright future!! This is Brunch Sunday CWG already so please bring something "Brunchy" to share and we'll provide the coffee and the birthday cake!!



Living Out Jesus' Love

Local Missions

Global Missions

CMA Families: Part of your general giving helps to fund one Canadian CMA missionary family worldwide. We have adopted Gaileen who is working in the Caribbean Sun Region. To receive her prayer updates please check out our website.

Children's Programs

River Kids

The Vision of River Kids is or kids to have a safe place where they know God's love, learn what it means to be like Jesus and experience the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Leaders: All leaders/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. If you have any questions regarding our children's ministries please contact Kenda Reimer at kendar@intheriver.ca

River Kids Preschool - Gr.7: These kids are dismissed from the service and meet in the far hallway.

Kindergarten - Gr 7: Teachers are Adam Wray and Kenda Reimer. After being dismissed from the service, we meet in the far hallway.

Little Dippers: No designated teachers. This is a parent participation/supervision area where parents are responsible for their own children. This area is a carpeted location just inside the first hallway across from the gym. We have toys, books, etc for the kids and a speaker so adults can still hear the service. Because of noise, we ask that there is no running in the hallway while the service is on. As fun as it is, it does make it difficult for those near the back to hear.

Youth Outreach

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

Growth Streams Available

Tantalus Simple Church: 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf mail4jimn@gmail.com or 604-898-4277

Paradise Valley Simple Church: The last Sunday of every month at 10:00 am, ending with a meal @ Rolf & Christine Rutishauser's in Paradise Valley. rcruti@gmail.com

Men's Group: 2nd & 4th Mondays of every month 7:30 – 9:30 pm. For more info go to <http://www.intheriver.ca/community--1/mens-group>

Listening Prayer Ministry: Are you feeling stuck? What if Jesus 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. Free of charge, no side-effects, plenty of benefits. Contact Claudia to set up an appointment: claudiauweiland@gmail.com. Also, if this type of ministry interests you, please talk to Claudia about becoming involved.

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Books We're Reading Right Now

Darcy

Science and the Trinity by John Polkinghorne

Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver (Novel)

Just because we read something doesn't mean we buy into the book 'hook, line, and sinker'.

In everything we read, view, or listen discernment needs to be engaged.

Kenda

Gods and Kings by Lynn Austin

One Light Still Shines by Marie Monville

Fueling Thought

When we think about Jesus as that exceptional, unusual person who lived long ago and whose life and words continue to inspire us, we might avoid the realization that Jesus wants us to be like him. Jesus himself keeps saying in many ways that he, the Beloved Child of God, came to reveal to us that we too are God's beloved children, loved with the same unconditional divine love.

John writes to his people: "You must see what great love the Father has lavished on us by letting us be called God's children - which is what we are." (1 John 3:1). This is the great challenge of the spiritual life: to claim the identity of Jesus for ourselves and to say: "We are the living Christ today!" Nouwen