

## Money, Faith & Worship:

Bank balance	\$ 14,101
Fund Surplus	\$ 12,139
February Revenue	\$ 10,951
February Expenses	\$ 12,915
Year-to-date surplus	\$ 7,572

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

April 9<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday)

April 16<sup>th</sup> (Easter Sunday)

April 23<sup>rd</sup>

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# The River Church

## City Wide Gathering

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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 so the upcoming dates are April 6th at The NEST and April 20th at the Crabapple Café.

**Women's Group Spiritual Direction:** Next evening is April 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 pm @ Dorothy Wikkerink's home. E-mail Dorothy for address [dorothyrenema@hotmail.com](mailto:dorothyrenema@hotmail.com)

**UNITE Worship Night at Brackendale Art Gallery:** April 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 - 8:30 pm. A wonderful "Space for God" time-out!

**Christ in the Arts:** Christ often uses the arts to draw people to Himself in the most powerful yet subtle ways. We want to celebrate this reality at the River so if you have a song, poem, a video clip or mini movie you've put together, a play, mime, dance or painting, we'd love to celebrate it in any one of our CWG's. So, if you're interested in adding your name to a ARTS data-base please let Darcy know. Thank you!!

## Fueling Thought

"Some of us tend to do away with things that are slightly damaged. Instead of repairing them we say: "Well, I don't have time to fix it, I might as well throw it in the garbage can and buy a new one." Often we also treat people this way. We say: "Well, he has a problem with drinking; well, she is quite depressed; well, they have mismanaged their business...we'd better not take the risk of working with them." When we dismiss people out of hand because of their apparent woundedness, we stunt their lives by ignoring their gifts, which are often buried in their wounds.

We all are bruised reeds, whether our bruises are visible or not. The compassionate life is the life in which we believe that strength is hidden in weakness and that true community is a fellowship of the weak."

— Henry Nouwen



# 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](mailto: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](http://www.facebook.com/pages/SquamishYoungLife).

### Growth Streams Available

**Tantalus Simple Church:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of every month 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf [mail4jimn@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:rcruti@gmail.com)

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

**Women's Group Spiritual Direction:** Learn to listen for God's voice for one another. Apr 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 – 9:00 pm at Dorothy Wikkerink's home. <http://www.intheriver.ca/community--1/deep-stream-growth-events>

**Women's Bible Study:** Bible Study in the Gospel of John. Monday's from Sept – May 7-9 pm at Squamish Community Church. <http://www.intheriver.ca/events/womens-study/2016-09-19>

**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](mailto:claudiauweiland@gmail.com). Also, if this type of ministry interests you, please talk to Claudia about becoming involved.

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