

### Money, Faith & Worship:

<i>(as at Apr 30<sup>th</sup>)</i>	Year-to-Date	Prior YTD	Variance
Revenue	\$ 121,308	\$ 151,340	\$ (33,033)
Expenses	<u>\$ 122,367</u>	<u>\$ 128,792</u>	<u>\$ (4,455)</u>
	\$ (1,059)	\$ 22,548	\$ (23,607)

Thank you to all of you who faithfully give to support the River. It's because of your faithful, sacrificial gift, that the River Church Family has the presence it does in our wonderful community.

We thank God for each and every one of you.

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

### Upcoming Church Gatherings

June 30<sup>th</sup> – Brunch Sunday

July 7<sup>th</sup> – Simple Church

July 14<sup>th</sup> – City Wide @ Don Ross

July 21<sup>st</sup> – Simple Church

July 28<sup>th</sup> – City Wide @ Don Ross

August 4<sup>th</sup> – Simple Church



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# The River Church

## City Wide Gathering

June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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, Engaged, Truthful, Relational, Experiential, Authentic, Loving. One way we live this out, is by embracing a Simple Church Hybrid Model. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 [www.intheriver.ca](http://www.intheriver.ca)

**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 June 24<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.intheriver.ca/community/mens-group)

### **Wed Jun 26<sup>th</sup> Elder Gatherings - Board & Prayer:**

The River models an open culture; anyone can visit an elder meeting. Meetings on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month. 2nd is a standard meeting; 4th is where CORE leaders pray for the River Family by name. Contact Darcy or Kenda for info.

<https://www.intheriver.ca/events/elder-gatherings-board-prayer/2018-09-12>

### **Sun Jun 30<sup>th</sup> Brunch/Soup Sundays:**

Summer Wrap Up! Time around the table - sharing breakfast together. We will have a teaching time, singing and prayer. 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. Please bring your own coffee mug.

### **Sun Jul 14<sup>th</sup> Patio Time:**

@ the Reimer's 7pm-9pm. Summer is a time to drop it down a gear and make time to connect with family and friends. The Reimer's have set aside 2 Sunday nights to hang out and just have fun with them on their patio. Bring your favourite beverage and pop by for an hour or two.

### **Tuesdays New Study 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter & Jude:**

Started May 28<sup>th</sup>. Group meets roughly twice a month (to accommodate summer schedules). Contact Steve Klassen [sklassen@telus.net](mailto:sklassen@telus.net)

<https://www.intheriver.ca/events/weekly-bible-study-group/2019-05-28>

### **Sun Jul 21<sup>st</sup> Elderly Hymn Service:**

2-3pm @ Hilltop House. Contact Dorothy Wikkerink [dorothyrenema@hotmail.com](mailto:dorothyrenema@hotmail.com) or 604-849-6205

**Sun Aug 25<sup>th</sup> Patio Time:** @ the Reimer's 7pm-9pm

**Thurs Sep 12<sup>th</sup> Faith on Tap:** 7:30pm @ The Reimer's

<https://www.intheriver.ca/community--1/faith-on-tap>

### **Fri September 27<sup>th</sup> Simple Church & Elders Training Weekend:**

Mandatory for all Simple Church & Elders and Future Leaders <https://www.intheriver.ca/events/simple-church-elders-training-weekend/2019-05-03>

### **Fueling Thought**

Our true challenge is to return to the center, to the heart, and to find there the gentle voice that speaks to us and affirms us in a way no human voice ever could.

The basis of all ministry is the experience of God's unlimited and unlimiting acceptance of us as beloved children, an acceptance so full, so total and all-embracing, that it sets us free from our compulsion to be seen, praised, and admired and frees us for Christ, who leads us on the road of service.

This experience of God's acceptance frees us from our needy self and thus creates new space where we can pay selfless attention to others. This new freedom in Christ allows us to move in the world uninhibited by our compulsions and to act creatively even when we are laughed at and rejected, even when our words and actions lead us to death. — Henri Nouwen



## Living Out Jesus' Love

### **Children's Programs**

**River Kids:** The Vision of River Kids is for 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 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)

**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. Children this age are taught the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

### **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 Jesus or are interested in Jesus please contact Allyson Hugué, our Young Life Leader for Squamish at [www.facebook.com/pages/SquamishYoungLife](https://www.facebook.com/pages/SquamishYoungLife).

### **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.

### **Simple Churches (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)**

**Sunday Night Simple Church:** 5:45–8:30pm Contact: Heather & Andrew 778-991-0674 [lucyandpumpkin@gmail.com](mailto:lucyandpumpkin@gmail.com), or Claudia & Peter 604-898-9676 [claudiauweiland@gmail.com](mailto:claudiauweiland@gmail.com)

**Tantalus Simple Church:** 5:30–8:30pm Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf [mail4jimn@gmail.com](mailto:mail4jimn@gmail.com) or 604-898-4277

**Paradise Valley Simple Church:** 10am, ending with a meal @ Rolf & Christine Rutishauser's in Paradise Valley. [rcruti@gmail.com](mailto: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 launch-pad for other Simple Churches.

### **Growth Streams**

**Women's Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:30-9:30 @ Dorothy's. Practice listening to God's voice and try some ways of meeting with Jesus that people have been using throughout the ages. Group is open to everyone. <https://www.intheriver.ca/events/womens-group/2019-02-05>

**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](http://www.intheriver.ca/community/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. Contact Claudia [claudiauweiland@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.intheriver.ca/community/faith-on-tap)