

### Money, Faith & Worship:

Bank Balance as of May	\$17,785.00
Bank balance as of June	\$13,060.00
Bank balance as of July	\$8,260.00
Current Balance as of Sept 19 <sup>th</sup>	\$6,224.00

Please keep in mind that to rent this space costs \$305.47 per Sunday and depending on weather there are four or five Sundays our cost monthly would be \$1220.00 or \$1525.00.

Thank-you faithful contributors in The River Church. As we moved through the summer season we have incurred a deficit so our current balance is \$6,224.00. Giving of your finances is an act of Worship to God and we again thank-you for your faithful stewardship in this area.

Steve Klassen, Treasurer

### Summer City Wide Gatherings

October 2<sup>nd</sup>

October 9<sup>th</sup>

October 16<sup>th</sup>

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# The River Church

## City Wide Gathering

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016

River Kids Program

Little Dippers Pre-School Program

Pre-Service Prayer 9:00 – 9:45 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

**UNITE** Sept 27th 7:30-8:30 pm at Brackendale Art Gallery. We welcome you to join us to make space for God.

**24/7 Prayer Focus this fall:** We once again have the chapel at the Brackendale Art Gallery for the month of September. It will be open 24/7 for prayer. Please feel free to drop in at any time or drop off a prayer request.

## Women's Group Spiritual

**Direction:** Starts this Sunday, Sept 25 7-9pm at the chapel at the Brackendale Art Gallery. It may be cool so you may want to bring a warm drink and a blanket.

## Know Yourself Deep Stream:

Starting date will not be Sept 25 but will be Oct. 23. 7:30 pm Location TBA. This first one we will be looking at our Myers-Briggs letters and what God might be saying to us through that. (free tests available on line).

## Discipleship Track:

The six-month **JOURNEY DISCIPLESHIP COURSE** provides in-depth discipleship and prayer support with the goal of helping individuals experience Jesus in their relationships,

sexuality and identity. Each evening consists of worship, teaching, and prayer in small groups. These gender-specific groups are safe places for bringing our struggles to God and each other. There are weekly reading assignments for reflection, study, and prayer. Journey runs for 6 months from Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> – March 20<sup>th</sup> on Monday Nights 7-9:45 pm. Cost is \$350.

**AGM Party!** Annual AGM will be held October 20<sup>th</sup>. Listen to stories, eat fun food, dream about the future. Hope you can make it! Open to Members and Adherents!! 7:00 pm and location TBA

**Elder Day Retreat:** November 26<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Brian Derksen from the Canadian Pacific District will be coming to lead our new team of elders through some fun strategic thinking as it concerning the River's future.

**Using Your Gifts and Talents for God's Kingdom:** What desires and longings has God put on your heart for this coming ministry season? Please fill out a Communication Card today!

## Fueling Thought

"In Walter Brueggemann's book, *Sabbath as Resistance* he writes 'On Sabbath, you do not have to do more. You do not have to sell more. You do not have to control more. You do not have to know more. You do not have to have your kids in ballet or soccer. You do not have to be younger or more beautiful. You do not have to score more.' Rather, on the Sabbath, we know ourselves to be enough in God's eyes. We know that we are God's beloved ones, created intentionally and with love." Article on Ignatian Spirituality



# 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 gym.

**Age 3 - Kindergarten:** meet in one half of the gym and are led by a rotation of teens/young adults. Parents will be found to help their child who needs bathroom help.

**Gr 1-7:** meet in the other half of the gym and are led by a rotation of adults.

**Little Dippers:** Nursery/Toddlers. This room is located in the classroom across the hall from the gym. You are welcome to either drop off your child or stay in the room with them. Parents are responsible for trips to the bathroom and diaper changes. This room is run by a rotation of parents and possibly some

pre-teen helpers. Parents need to sign in/out their own child.

## 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 Mat Chamberlain, our Young Life Leader at [matchamberlain@mac.com](mailto:matchamberlain@mac.com) or at [www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife).

## 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

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

**Deep Stream / Know Yourself :** The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday night of the month. Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Dec 18<sup>th</sup> or Jan. at 7:30 pm Location TBA. <http://www.intheriver.ca/community--1/deep-stream-growth-events>

## Women's Group Spiritual Direction:

Learn to listen for God's voice for one another. Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> and Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 – 9:00 pm. <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 SCC. <http://www.intheriver.ca/events/womens-study/2016-09-19>

**JOURNEY Discipleship Track:** North Shore Alliance Church in North Vancouver Monday's 7-9:45 pm Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> – March <http://www.intheriver.ca/events/journey-discipleship-track/2016-10-17>

**Men's Nights: Bike/Book/Bible and Beer nights.** Don't be fooled. This is a Deep Stream Night! 1 night per month Opening night Oct 13 at 8 pm. at the NEST. <http://www.intheriver.ca/community--1/books-bike-bible-and-beer-nights>