Money, Faith & Worship:

Bank balance as of Dec 15th \$ 5,516 Fund balance is in a deficit of \$ 3,000

November Revenue \$ 9,523 November Expenses \$ 10,242

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

January 1st

January 8th

January 15th

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City Wide Gathering December 24th, 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

Know Yourself Deep Stream:

December 29th @ 7:00 – 9:00 pm at the Reimer's. Open to everyone – teen to adult. This time we will be looking at 5 fold ministries. This is in line with spiritual gifts but a little clearer, I think, in living this out every day. Please keep looking for updates on how to prepare for this one as I'm still working that out.

Women's Group Spiritual Direction: Next evening is Jan 8th from 7:00 -9:00 pm @ Dorothy Wikkerink's home. E-mail Dorothy for address dorothvrenema@hotmail.com.

UNITE Worship Night at Brackendale Art Gallery: January 17th from 7:30 – 8:30 pm. A wonderful "Space for God" time-out!

Levite Summit: Mar 3rd – 4th Kelowna BC Full Arts Summit for worship leaders and all those gifted and passionate about the arts. Check out www.intheriver.ca for more information.

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. If you have a song, poem, a video clip or mini movie you've put together, a play, mime or painting, we'd love to celebrate it! If interested, please let Darcy know.

Announcement

Online Giving at The River: <u>Tithe.ly</u> is now set up on the giving page on the website, so please be encourages to cancel your Canada Helps and set up a donation directly through Tithe.ly on our site. The reason we are encouraging this switch is to reduce the fees the church is paying for the online giving. Donations made this way will be receipted directly be The River Church as usual.

Fueling Thought

"It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas when its mighty Founder was a child Himself." Charles Dickens



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 Mat Chamberlain, our Young Life Leader at matchamberlain@mac.com or at www.facebook.com/pages/SquamishYoung

Growth Streams Available

Tantalus Simple Church: 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf mail4iimn@gmail.com or 604.898.4277

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

Deep Stream / Know Yourself: The 4th Sunday night of the month. Dec 29th @ 7:30 pm at the Reimer's. 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. Jan 8th @ 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/womensstudy/2016-09-19

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

Faith on Tap: 1st & 3rd Thursday nights monthly. Next events are Jan 5th and 19th at The NEST in Brackendale at 8:00pm. We will not be meeting Dec 29th. http://www.intheriver.ca/community