Worship Service May 5, 2024 – 10:00am

(Streamed online www.redrocksefc.org)

Prelude - Linda Schachterle A Call to Worship Mother's Day Promo Video Communion Observance Elder Prayer - David Riffel Children are dismissed to CE (Nursery is provided for children 3 years and younger)

Message: "Incomparable Hope" - Ephesians 1:19-23 Pastor Matt Strid

Next Sunday: "Dead or Alive" - Ephesians 2:1-10 Pastor Matt Strid

Love God. Love People. Preach the Word. Reach the World!

This Week

Sunday (today)	8:45am - Adult Sunday School - The Unjust Judge
	10:00am - Brook Student Sunday School
	11:30am - Welcome to the Family Class
Thursday May 9 th	10:00am - Thursday Bible Study on 1,2,3 John
	6:30-8:30pm - Brook Student Ministry
Saturday May 11 th	7:30am - Men's Bible Study
	9:00am - Women's Gathering
Sunday May 12th	HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
	8:45am - Adult Sunday School - The Ten Virgins

Bible Study Groups

Thursday Bible Study 10:00am -11:00am. Studying *1*, *2*, *3 John and Jude - Established by Truth...Marked by Love* by John MacArthur. Everyone welcome!

Men's Bible Study meets Saturday mornings beginning at 7:30am. Studying 2 Corinthians led by Pastor Matt Strid.

The Brook Student Ministry

6th-12th Grade – Every Thursday Night

6:30-8:30pm

PRAYER CONNECTION

LET'S PRAY:

- **Pray for RO Summer Mission to Nantes France, June 21-30** That God would use what He does in the hearts of these team members to ignite our whole church's hearts to seek and save the lost.
- Jan Wells My brother, Con in Arizona, will not be able to attend our brother Gus' funeral as he has some undetermined medical issues and will be undergoing tests. He will plan a family visit later in May. Pray God's wisdom for Con's doctors and staff as they treat him. And, **Guy** says praise the Lord & a big thanks to everyone for lifting him up to our Father in heaven for his cataract surgery.
- **M.E. Armbruster** Pray for my friend **Jennie** who has been battling ovarian cancer. It now appears to have spread to her lungs. Pray she will receive Jesus and have reconciliation with her brother Dave. AND pray for Alice, my friend's mother who went to the ER this week with a ruptured bowel. She's in serious condition and I don't know if she has entrusted her life to Jesus!
- **Imogene Johnson** Praising God for the great report following my Bone Marrow Biopsy last Wednesday. It showed that there was no multiple myeloma or Leukemia. I start my 10th cycle of chemo on May 7th.
- Jesse and Melissa Miller We saw the High-Risk pregnancy specialist Wednesday who immediately sent us to a pediatric cardiologist. **Baby** has a significant heart defect. Basically, the right side of his heart is underdeveloped and he is missing the pulmonary valve that connects the right ventricle to the pulmonary artery. Also, the right ventricle is really small. Baby will need several surgeries after birth and when he is a toddler. At this point it is looking like, after all the surgeries, baby will only have half of a functioning heart. As we know, God is the great healer and physician. We are incredibly blessed to live in a time with so much medical advances and technology, but we know that God is the great healer and we are praying for a miracle.
- **Charlotte Busenbark** (one of our missionaries) I have just three more weeks of this degree and it seems like the enemy is throwing overwhelming, heavy attacks at us. Could you cover us with prayer? Pray for our protection from the enemy, for our health, for our relationships, for our ministry, for my focus/success with these classes, and wisdom. We are so grateful for your prayers.
- Forney and Jan Wells Good morning Prayer Warriors, Forney's good friend Lou has been in home hospice for a few weeks now & has an appointment with his Drs. today. Pray for the Lord to give the Drs His wisdom as they make plans for Lou's treatment. Also please pray for the family as they are struggling.
- Stan Jelsma Thanks for praying for my grandson **Brandon**. He had his surgery on his pericardium and it was in bad shape. He is doing well. His recovery will take time so continued prayers are appreciated. He is coming today to recoup.
- **Russel Witkop** Please pray for **Tristan**, the son of one of my friends. He's in ICU on a ventilator because of an infection in his lungs.
- Larry and Sue Beaumont our daughter in law had a complete hysterectomy and there was cancer in one ovary. She's in a lot of pain.
- **Deanna Oster** Pray for my Uncle Dennis. He has a form of cancer that only hits 1 in a million. It is in his brain and very aggressive. Pray they will know our Great Physician.

General Health - Joe Boso, Bev Burns, Gary Isaacson, Barbara Jenkins, Terry Reindl, Pat Sprouse, Chuck and Carolyn Ferdig, Darlene Powell, Sue Beaumont

Compassion International Stop by our Compassion Table again this Sunday to see children that need to be sponsored!

JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER FOR JOHANNA and baby Jaden LIU ON

May 19th, 12:00pm. See insert and sign up!

VBS COLLECTION

Collect for us your wrapping paper tubes, green foliage, bright colored tissue paper, brown and green plastic tablecloths, brown butcher paper, any jungle themed decorations, or **an Amazon Gift Card**!

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY CLASS TODAY

"Welcome to the Family Class" TODAY, May 5th. If you are interested in what makes this church tick, please come. Directly after service. In addition, completion of this class qualifies you to attend "Membership 101" on, Sunday, May 19th, after the service, where you'll have an opportunity to learn what membership means at RRF, and how to finalize your membership in Red Rocks Fellowship.

Lunch is provided so please see Pastor Matt or sign up!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Invites all women to watch another encouraging video from Answers in Genesis and their women's' conference:

"Abide - Holding Fast in Suffering"

May11, **9:00-11:00am**. Breakfast provided for a small donation of \$5. Please sign up at the welcome desk

SENIOR MINISTRY INVITES YOU!

Lunch out and Opportunity to Visit OsteoStrong© Saturday May 25 at 12:30 PM Lunch: Chick-fil-A PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME DESK

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR VBS

VBS registration is open! Go to our website or click below: https://redrocksfellowshipefc.myanswers.com/jungle-

journey/register/The dates for VBS are: June 3-7th at

5:30pm till 8pm. We will be serving dinner for families again starting at 4:30-5:15. Don't delay! Sign up today! We've



had to go on waitlists in the past and I don't want to see your family miss out this year! Lauren Danforth

CONTINUE TO Pray for Refugee Oasis Summer Mission Team



to Nantes France, June 21-29, 2024 - That God would use what He does in the hearts of these team members to ignite our whole church's hearts to seek and save the lost.

(See giving tree in Fellowship Hall)

- o Irv Jolliff o David Riffel
- David Killel
 Gabe Riffel
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- Gracelynn Riffel
- o Autumn Strid
- Jenni Strid

DENVER RESCUE MISSION*

- Number of first-time homeless guests up 35% from last year
- Record 12,900 evictions in 2023 as the skyrocketing cost of housing took its toll on those already living on the margins
- Cost for labor and utilities to operate the Mission increased significantly
- Donation levels trending down from pandemic peak

BUT

At the same time, Denver Rescue Mission helped more people obtain housing than ever before, 539 households - the most ever!

	2020	Current
Minimum Wage	\$12.85	\$18.29
Fair Market Rent (2 bedroom)	\$1,566	\$2,201
Evictions	2,912 households	12,910 households
First Time Family Homelessness	37%	63%

*Info taken from 'Changing Lives' Newsletter, Denver Rescue Mission, May 2024

Sermon Notes "Incomparable Leadership" - Ephesians 1:19-23 Pastor Matt Strid May 5, 2024

The power of the ______. (Ephesians 1:19-20, 3:7)

The power of Christ's ______ all things. (Ephesians 1:21-22, 6:1,4; James 1:16-17; Matthew 5:45; Romans 2:14-15; 1 Peter 2:13-14)

The power of Christ's ______ of his______ (Ephesians 1:10, 22-23; 2 Peter 1:4; Philippians 2:12-13)

Elders

Matt Strid – Senior Pastor Dave Costain – Church Chairman Jim Newell – Church Vice Chairman Grant Dunkle – Congregational Representative David Riffel – Congregational Representative

Ministry Team

Pastor Matt Strid – Chair	Louise Walker – Finance
Matthew Dunnery – Facility	Sue Rairdon – Seniors
Jim Rairdon – Missions	Sandy Cook – Hospitality
Pam Heye – Recording Secretary	Lauren Danforth – Children
Jesse Miller – Youth/Media	Dave Costain – Men's Min.
Johanna Liu – Worship	Aleithia Toews – Women's Min.

Purpose of Red Rocks Fellowship

The purpose of this church shall be to work together for the unity, edification, discipline, and encouragement of believers that they might grow in grace and holy conduct, and seek to win souls for Christ and to further His cause on the mission fields at home and abroad. Mark 16:15; Acts 2:42; Romans 12; Colossians 3:12-1 5; Ephesians 4:11-1 6. Constitution and By-Laws of Red Rocks Fellowship (an Evangelical Free Church)

Red Rocks Guest Wi-Fi password: Fellowship

April 2024 Stewardship Praise Report

Monthly Need:	\$ 44,521.25
Received MTD:	\$ 30,483.57
YTD Need:	\$174,658.85
Received YTD:	\$180,089.52

"But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also." 2 Corinthians 8:7