

Richmond Hill Baptist Church

Connecting with God, His Word, His Church, His Mission

Prelude

Prayer at the Altar

Call to Worship

The Birthday of a King

Welcome

Congregation Carols

*The First Noel
Hark the Herald Angels Sing*

Children's Corner

Offering Prayer and Announcements

Offertory

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Devotion: *Unwrapping Christmas: Lessons from the Lineage of Christ.
A Very Special Birthday*
Dr. Shane Spannagel, Senior Pastor

Response Song

Children of God

Postlude

Richmond Hill encourages families to worship together. We offer Children's Bulletins for children age 5 to 12 in the church foyer. There is childcare during worship for babies through 4 years downstairs in the Preschool area.

Please feel free to sit or join us in standing as we worship.

Sunday, December 25, 2011

DANIEL FAST: Start the New Year with a fresh focus on God. Beginning January 9.

CONNECT CLASSES Christmas Break—No classes on December 25 and January 1.

EXTENDED TEACHING CARE (ETC) Christmas Break—We invite all children to worship with their families (no nursery and pre-school childcare during the service) today and January 1. We will have family-friendly worship services on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY PARTY Saturday, December 31, 6:00 - 9:00 pm at Menno Simons School Gym (7000 Elkton Drive SW). We will pray in the New Year, enjoy some icebreakers, group games (volleyball, ball hockey, board games, and snacks). Bring your favorite snacks and games. We will serve pizza & beverages.

YOUTH MINISTRY BREAK: There will be no Impact, Ladies Coffee, nor Guys Sports and Bible from December 19th-January 12th as we break for Christmas. See you in the New Year.

YOUTH SKI TRIP: To Nakiska for a ski retreat February 3rd-4th. Check the Information Centre, church office, or your mail box for information on the retreat.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING (International Missions Offering) This money is used to support CNBC families serving internationally (salary, housing, food, children's education and benefits). Prayer guide & envelopes at the Information Centre.

END OF YEAR GIVING OPTION: Gift of shares (Securities) to the church. For people who own shares in mutual funds or companies, there are significant tax advantages when gifting those shares "in-kind" versus selling them first. If you have questions about this giving option, please contact Jeff Sterzuk, Finance Team Member, at 403-612-1724.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed December 26, 27 and 30.

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Today

Worship Team Practice 9:30am
No Connect Classes
Worship Service 10:30am

**Saturday
New Year's Eve**

Family Party at Menno Simons Gym
6:00—9:00 pm

**Sunday
New Year's Day**

Worship Team Practice 9:30 am
No Connect Classes
Worship Service 10:30 am

Birthdays this Week

Katherine Dyck (25)
Isobel McKay (26)

If we missed your birthday, please call the church office and we will update our records.

Sunday, December 25, 2011

**SERVANTS THIS WEEK
(Dec 25)**

NO CHILDCARE—Preschool children are invited to stay in worship with their parents

GREETERS

10 am: Gene H, Irene H,
Eugene K, Willa K

Info Centre: Irene C, Velma N

TELLERS

Leon S, Rick K

DEACON ON CALL

Richard & Kathy R

**SERVANTS NEXT WEEK
(Jan 1)**

NO CHILDCARE—Preschool children are invited to stay in worship with their parents

GREETERS

10 am: Derek L, Carol L,
Gene H, Irene H,

Info Centre: Tanis R, Ann B

TELLERS

Leon S, John J

DEACON ON CALL

John C, Jennifer C

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Connect Classes 137
Worship 252

CHURCH GIVING & INCOME

Last Sunday \$13,447
Month-to-date \$47,087

DONATION TAX RECIEPTS:

The church issues tax receipts for all eligible donations. Please call the office to request offering envelopes.

**Unwrapping Christmas: Lessons from the Lineage of Christ
A Very Special Birthday**

The Virgin Birth: Son of God (44) & Son of Man (86)

Matthew 1:16 (husband of Mary)

Luke 3:23 (so it was thought)

Isaiah 7:14 (the virgin will be with child)

Matt 1:20 (what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit)

Luke 1:34-35 (the Holy Spirit will come upon you)

The Spiritual Birth: Children of God (9)

John 3:5-7

Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

John 1:12-13

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

1 John 3:1

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

Guests:

Please complete the **Connect Card** in the seat pocket in front of you and place it in the offering plate so we can better serve you.

Please visit our **Information Centre** in the foyer where you will find more information about RHBC and our ministries.

Join our Family:

By Baptism- If you have trusted Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and have not been baptized by immersion, we will receive you as a candidate for baptism.

By Transfer of Membership- If you are a Christian who was baptized by immersion after conversion we will accept you as candidates for membership with a letter from a former church.

By Statement- If it is not possible to get a letter of certification from a former church, you may be accepted as a candidate for membership based on a statement that you are a Christian who was baptized by immersion after conversion.

If you have questions about salvation, baptism or church membership, please indicate on the Connect Card or call the church office.

Richmond Hill BAPTIST CHURCH



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