



# DECEMBER

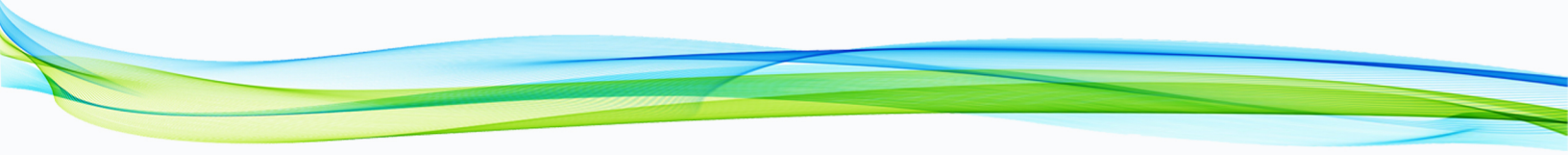
Riverside Community Church

As we enter in to the Christmas season we have a powerful decision to make. Will we allow this time to be swallowed up by the frenetic pace this time can bring, or will we enter into the Christmas season with a sense of purpose and vision that will carry far past December 25th? We at Riverside are setting out to do more than just survive Christmas. We are committing ourselves to taking the time to embrace the full reality of what happened on this day millennia ago and all that changed for us today and for the future of the world. We are not simply passing the time or sliding into empty patterns. Instead we are stopping in the midst of it all to consider one of the greatest miracles that has ever happened: that God came down to be with us. He didn't wait for us to go to Him. He didn't wait for us to clean things up on our won. Instead he changed everything by sending His son to become Emanuel, God with us.

So join us this December to dive deep into the love of God and discover just how much that changes everything.

Take care,

Pastor Derrick



### Service times

Sundays at 10am - in person & online

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm  
Closed for lunch 12 - 1pm

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### Got Questions?

Visit our website for more information about upcoming events, our ministries, who we are and what we believe at [rside.ca](http://rside.ca).

### Missed a message or need sermon notes?

You'll find online listening & sermon notes at [rside.ca/sermons](http://rside.ca/sermons) so you can hear a sermon you missed or listen again!



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# What's happening @ RIVERSIDE

## FOR EVERYONE

### Sunday Worship Services

We meet together every Sunday at 10am. We also offer a livestream service at 10am at [rside.online](https://rside.online). You can view past sermons and get sermon notes at [rside.ca/sermons](https://rside.ca/sermons).

### Prayer & Worship

Join us each Wednesday at 7pm. Further details at [rside.ca/prayerandworship](https://rside.ca/prayerandworship).

### Baptism

If you would like to be baptized, please complete the application form at [rside.ca/baptism](https://rside.ca/baptism).

### Membership

If you would like to become a member of Riverside Community Church, please complete the application form at [rside.ca/membership](https://rside.ca/membership) and turn it in to the office.

### Nicola Lodge Service

Sunday, December 8th, 2pm. Contact Tina if you would like to participate in this senior's service - [tgoetz518@gmail.com](mailto:tgoetz518@gmail.com)

### Evenings with Pastor Faheem

1st Sunday of every month, at 7- 8:30pm. Evening of worship, prayer, fellowship and sharing from Pastor Faheem and special guests.

For more info. contact: Pastor Faheem at [faheemm@rside.ca](mailto:faheemm@rside.ca)

### Blue Christmas

Wednesday, December 11 at 7 - 8:30pm. If you or someone you know has lost a loved one, and you are finding the lead-up to Christmas difficult, please join us for a candlelight Blue Christmas Event. Free event.

For more info. contact Maria Ruiz at [edwin.maria.ruiz@gmail.com](mailto:edwin.maria.ruiz@gmail.com)

### A Classical Christmas

Saturday, December 21, 2024 at 6:30pm. Special guests - Luci & Teresa Barz, Lovur String Quartet, Janice Klassen and Ingrid Janzen

Admission Free - donations accepted to our Missions opportunities.

For more info. contact Pastor Ingrid Janzen at [ingridj@rside.ca](mailto:ingridj@rside.ca)

### Christmas Eve Services

December 24th, 6pm & 11pm. We invite you to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For more info. contact Pastor Ingrid Janzen at [ingridj@rside.ca](mailto:ingridj@rside.ca)

### Give Christmas

We are starting our "Give Christmas" Program to support families in our community, If you would like to donate contact Debbie Bassani at: [Debbieb@rside.ca](mailto:Debbieb@rside.ca). or please go to [rside.ca](https://rside.ca) Give Christmas.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### Christmas Extravaganza

Sunday, December 8th at 6pm. Comfort, Care and Compassion. Special speaker - Nadine Sands

Tickets at \$5 available at our Connect Desk or at [rside.ca](https://rside.ca).

For more info contact Pastor Ingrid Janzen at [ingridj@rside.ca](mailto:ingridj@rside.ca)

### Over a Cup of Coffee

Saturday, December 20, 9am. Meeting at Riverside. For more info, please contact Lily Ong at [samlilyo@rside.ca](mailto:samlilyo@rside.ca).

## MEN'S MINISTRY

### Quest Vancouver Giants Game

Saturday December 14th at 7pm at Langley Events Center. Tickets are only \$20.00 on [rside.ca](https://rside.ca)

You are responsible for arranging own transportation to and from the game.

For more info, please contact Brad McDonald at [brad63@telus.net](mailto:brad63@telus.net)

## YOUNG ADULTS (18-30 yrs.)

We are now meeting 2nd and 4th Monday of every month! November 11 and 25 at 7pm.

For more info, contact Taylor Klassen [taylork@rside.ca](mailto:taylork@rside.ca) or Stephanie Watson [stephaniew@rside.ca](mailto:stephaniew@rside.ca). Check out our website [rside.ca/YA](https://rside.ca/YA)

### Community Group

Wednesdays, 7pm. Meeting at Riverside. For more info, please contact Taylor at [taylork@rside.ca](mailto:taylork@rside.ca)

# YOUTH & KIDS

Check out the calendars for Middle and Youth at [rside.ca/youth](https://rside.ca/youth) for all of our upcoming events.

Middle - Fridays, 7:00-8:30pm. Check the calendar.

Youth - Every Friday at 7:30-9:00pm. Check the calendar.

## **Seek and Sleigh a Christmas hideaway!**

High school and Middle school departments are coming together for a hide and seek event at Guildford mall!

Friday, December 13th, 2024 from 7-9pm.

Free event. Registration at [rside.ca/youth](https://rside.ca/youth)

For more info. contact Stephanie Watson at [stephaniew@rside.ca](mailto:stephaniew@rside.ca)

## **Sundays** - Dismissed after worship.

Middle (gr. 5-7) Rm 205 (every Sunday).

Youth (gr. 8-12) Rm 207 (1st & 3rd Sundays).

## **Stay Connected**

Middle School Youth

Instagram @rsidemiddleyouth

High School Youth

Instagram @rsideyouth

[https://linktr.ee/rside\\_youth](https://linktr.ee/rside_youth)

## **Riverside Kids Sunday Program** (nursery to gr. 4)

Please sign your kids in upon arrival.

## **Riverside Kids Online**

Following our online service, watch a 15 minute video that includes worship and a lesson. Find us online at [rside.online](https://rside.online) Sundays at approximately 11:15am or watch again throughout the week at [rside.ca/kidsonline](https://rside.ca/kidsonline).

## **Gingerbread Bash**

We are having a "Gingerbread Bash" on Sunday, Dec. 15th, 3:00-4:30pm. Activities, Christmas songs, Christmas story and creating your own gingerbread nativity, is part of this fun event for families with Preschool - Elementary aged kids!

Please register at [rside.ca](https://rside.ca), limited spots available!

For more info. contact Debbie Bassani at [debbieb@rside.ca](mailto:debbieb@rside.ca)