



The Vision of Woodmen Valley Chapel

TO LAUNCH AND STRENGTHEN A FLEET OF CHRIST-FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES WHO ARE COMPASSIONATELY SAILING THROUGH A TURBULENT CULTURE TOWARD A DEEPER AMAZEMENT OF GOD'S GRACE.

Three Implications of Our Amazement — Indications of the Amazement we already have, as well as catalysts for deeper amazement.

Exploring

If we are amazed, we will Explore God's Grace through digging into Scripture and applying it to the story of our personal and corporate journey.

Experiencing

If we are amazed, we will Experience God's Grace through acknowledging our desperation and submitting it to the forgiveness and power of His intervention through Christ, resulting in an authentic relationship with Him as well as others in community, and experiencing daily transformation as a result.

Expressing

If we are amazed, we will Express God's Grace by fully engaging with life, worshipping on an everyday basis, communicating the liberating gospel of grace to others, living lives of compassion within and outside the walls of the church, all in an environment of creativity and calling.

One Church, Multiple Locations

Rockrimmon Campus

290 E. Woodmen Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80919

Woodmen Heights Campus

8292 Woodmen Valley View
Colorado Springs, CO 80908

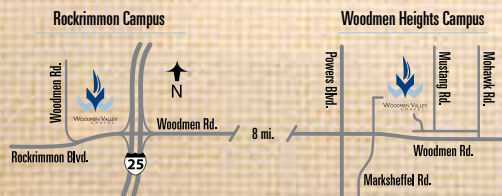
Service Times

Saturdays 6 pm

Sundays 9 & 11:15 am

Sundays 6 pm (Rockrimmon)

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Exploring, Experiencing, Expressing God's Grace

Extravagant Grace

Welcome to Woodmen!



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FIND OUT MORE AT WOODMENVALLEY.ORG

Woodmen Valley Chapel (WVC) is one church with multiple locations, Rockrimmon and Woodmen Heights. You will notice as you worship with us today, that while we have pastoral and worship arts teams at both locations, our communities are connected via live video-cast in order to worship together as one church body on both sides of the city. Although geographically separated, both communities are expressions of WVC in every way: the vision, the passion and the invitation to live authentically and abundantly through faith in Jesus Christ.

If you're new ...

1. Fill out the tear-off portion of this bulletin and stop by Guest Central.

We'd like to greet you personally and answer any questions you may have, as well as offer you a special 'thank you' gift for making Woodmen part of your weekend. Guest Central is located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon and in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights.

2. Visit our website.

For an in-depth look into all that's going on at WVC, be sure to visit woodmenvalley.org.

3. We offer a safe place for your children at KidsCove!

We are committed to teaching your children about the Good News of Jesus Christ in a safe, secure environment, offering age-appropriate, biblically-based curriculum. KidsCove, for ages birth through 4th grade, runs concurrently with the weekend adult services. Kids in 5th and 6th grade attend Switch56 on Sunday mornings at 9 am (RR) or 11:15 am (WH).


4. Check out Connections Bookstore & Café.

At Connections, you'll find a vast selection of gifts, books, CDs, messages and coffee from Colorado Coffee Merchants! We're located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon and in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights or online at connectionsbookstore.com. All proceeds benefit the ministries of WVC.



Giving Update and Report

Fiscal Year 10/10-09/11	Budget Need	Received	Difference
Giving Weekend of 9/18/11	\$ 163,000	\$ 160,208	\$ (-2,792)
Giving Year-to-Date	\$ 8,728,500	\$ 9,348,644	\$ 20,144
Capital & Reserve Fund	Total Needed	Fiscal Year to Date	
\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 706,782	

Give securely online at woodmenvalley.org/onlinegiving. 

The Woodmen Welcome

• Sunday, September 25, 1 pm, RR Gym

If you are new to Woodmen, we'd like to get to know you and your family! Join us for lunch and an opportunity to meet Senior Pastor Matt Heard, as well as other pastors and directors. See you there!

Operation Christmas Child Volunteer Meeting

• Sunday, Sept. 25, 3-5 pm, 12124 Stanley Canyon Rd., Colorado Springs

Help make this a special Christmas for needy children all over the world. Please join us and bring your friends! For more info and directions, call Dee Jackson at 719.495.2423.

Engage: The Books of the Bible, New Testament

• Begins Wednesday, Sept. 28, 6:30-8 pm, RRWC, Rm 123. Cost: \$10/person

Taught by Mike Dworak of Biblica, this Foundations course will give you a fresh approach to engage with the Word of God. Visit woodmenvalley.org/foundations for info and to register.

Passing on a Written Legacy Workshop

• Saturday, Oct. 1, 9-11 am, RRWC, Rm 107. Cost: \$10/person

Learn how to write your memories and pass them on to your children and grandchildren. To register and for more info, visit woodmenvalley.org/writtenlegacy.

Starting Over Workshop for Adults, Students and Children

• Tuesdays, Oct. 4-Nov. 15, 6:30-8:30 pm, RRWC, Rm 107. Cost: \$35 through Sept. 27; \$45 after

This workshop is designed to help those experiencing divorce, separation or loss of a significant relationship. Visit woodmenvalley.org/startingovert to register and for more info.

MOSAIC 1st Thursday

• Thursday, Oct. 6, 7-9 pm, RR Gym

Single adults (35+) from all over Colorado Springs are invited to join us for a motion picture documentary about ending the cycle of global poverty. Visit themosaicingsingles.com for more info.

Fall Clothing Exchange

• Friday, Oct. 7, 9 am-6 pm and Saturday, Oct. 8, 8 am-12 pm, RR Gym

Bring your gently used, clean clothing on Friday. Take what your family needs on Saturday. For more info or to volunteer, visit woodmenvalley.org/exchange.

Folds of Honor Golf Tournament

• Saturday, Oct. 8, Kissing Camels Golf Club. Cost: \$150/person; \$550/foursome

Proceeds go to support our troops! To register, email Caroline at ceaston@ggclub.com.

Still Waters for Her

• Tuesday, Oct. 11, 7-8:30 pm, RR Worship Center

Join us for an evening with Nate and Jill Rees as they share their journey from brokenness to beauty. Nate will lead us in worship. Visit woodmenvalley.org/swfh for more info.

Switch (7th/8th Grade) Over-Nighter

• Friday, Oct. 14, 3:15 pm-Saturday, Oct. 15, 12 pm, Golden Bell Camp & Conference Center

All Switch (7th/8th grade) students are invited to come hang out, play games, hear stories and make new friends. For more info and to register, visit woodmenyouth.com/switch.

RR=Rockrimmon Campus • WH=Woodmen Heights Campus
RRWC=Rockrimmon Worship Ctr • RRCC=Rockrimmon Community Ctr
RRSC=Rockrimmon Stone Chapel • WVC=Woodmen Valley Chapel





At Woodmen, our goal is to collect 4,000 non-perishable, non-expired food and toiletry items each week to serve the less fortunate in our city. The items that are collected on one weekend are quickly distributed and gone by the following.

We need your help — all we ask is for you to bring one can or item each week (bagfuls are okay too)!

1 CANiCAN COLLECTION SUGGESTED ITEMS:

Dry Cereal	Ramen Noodles	Tea Bags
Instant Oatmeal	Instant Rice	Baby Food
Shelf Stable or Powdered Milk	Peanut Butter	Diapers/Baby Wipes
Canned Fruit	Jelly	Formula
Canned Vegetables	Crackers and Cookies	Ziploc Bags
Canned Meats	Juice Boxes	Shampoo/Conditioner
Canned Soups	Healthy Kids Snacks	Hand Soap
“Easy Mac”	Granola Bars	Toothpaste/Toothbrushes
Pasta	Lunch Size Bags of Chips	Feminine Products
Spaghetti Sauce	Instant Hot Chocolate	
	Instant Coffee	

DROP-OFF BINS ARE LOCATED AT EACH CAMPUS, EVERY WEEKEND.

Hospitalization

If you or a loved one will be hospitalized and would like prayer or support, contact Terri at 719.388.4974 or terri.dole@woodmenvalley.org.

Prayer Requests/Comments

- I am going through a difficult time and would like to discuss being connected to a Stephen Minister.
- Please invite others to pray about this.
- Please keep this request confidential.

Extravagant Grace

Part 2: Tasting Grace (Romans 5:15–21)

September 24/25, 2011 • Senior Pastor Matt Heard

At Woodmen we believe God has called us to “launch and strengthen a fleet of Christ-following communities who are compassionately sailing through a turbulent culture toward a deeper amazement of God’s grace.”

Amazement over the grace God has exhibited toward us through Christ is what feeds our response and our submission to Him. He took the first step toward us and our response of amazement to His graciousness is what should fuel our lives, our relationships, our fulfillment, our obedience and our stewardship of everything He’s given us.

But what’s so amazing about God’s grace? There are tons of potential answers, but one would be His posture toward us in the midst of that grace. God’s grace could be summarized as Him giving us not what we deserve but what we need. Our rebelliousness toward His loving and freeing rule in our lives is pervasive, touching every aspect of our journey. And we fully deserve to experience the consequences of our rebelliousness to His rule. However, He has opted for a different posture than giving us what we deserve. He lovingly and graciously gives us what we need. And more.

The book of Ephesians tells us that God has chosen to adopt us back into His family and that action results in “the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.” (Ephesians 1:6-8)

In that passage, there is a unique and powerful word Paul uses to describe what God does in His grace toward us: He *lavishes* us with it. The Greek word behind “lavish” is a word packed with stunning overtones and appears numerous times in the New Testament in descriptions of God’s grace. It invokes concepts like *abundance* (even *superabundance*), *excessive*, *more than enough*, *overflowing*, *extravagance* and, yes, *lavish!*

That’s why, in chapter 3 of the same letter, Paul says, “Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine . . .”

Too often, we have the opposite understanding of God. Religiosity sets us up to, at best, nervously and exhaustingly hope that we can eek out some sort of approval and favor from Him, earning it by our good works and behavior. Actually, that will never happen because our works will never bridge such an infinite gap. But, tragically, even in the face of the gracious gospel of Christ’s sufficient work on the cross on our behalf (which does indeed bridge the chasm!), we still stubbornly hold onto that attitude — and it’s rooted in a misunderstanding of God’s nature and His posture toward us.

