

OCTOBER 29, 2023

Community Highlights |

30 Days of Prayer: November

Be in prayer for the world!
See Linktree for digital calendar!

Operation Christmas Child

Collection Date: November 12
For more, see the Linktree!

Campfire Anniversary Gathering

Wed., Nov. 8 – Listen up in the service
and see the linktree for full details!

Men's Retreat

For full details/registration see Linktree!
Contact Jeff Modugno: 949.235.7646

For the thorough list of announcements with links to **GIVING, EMAIL LIST, WORSHIP PLAYLIST, SMALL GROUPS, SERMONS**, etc. check out our **Linktree** by scanning the QR code to the right.



Ridge Kids |

Pre-school & Elementary

Kids are encouraged to stay in the service for Worship Singing. After the singing concludes, we'll pray for our kids and dismiss them to head upstairs for children's church. They can be picked up right after the Benediction.

Note Challenge

For older kids (9yrs.+), we have sermon notebooks at the back of the sanctuary. If you turn in note pages with a little something you heard from 10 different sermons, you'll earn a DutchBros gift card!

Ridge Presbyterian Church

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RIDGE PARADISE

*"...nothing among you except
Jesus Christ and Him crucified."*

Ridge Presbyterian is a church of people gathered around one thing—Jesus Christ, and his gospel of unlimited grace. As a church, we come from lots of different places: lost, found, burned, cynical, broken, hurting, or some combination of all of these. But what unites us and keeps us coming back together week after week is the reality of a Savior who has given unimaginable hope to any who admit their need and sprawl out before Him. This Jesus is really all we have to offer at RPC. We are convinced that not only is He enough, but that HE alone is true wisdom, life, and fullness of joy.

If you are new or newish here, we are so glad that you have joined us! We would love to know more about you, as well as give you the chance to learn a bit more about us. Use the QR code to the right to access our welcome card and let us know you were here.



Call to Worship: Revelation 19.6-7

“Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, ‘Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.’”

ALL: **“Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory...”**

-Opening Prayer-

Songs of Worship and Praise

Please feel free to worship in the way that the Lord is leading. Whether standing or sitting, hands raised or kneeling before the Lord. There is no required posture.

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1.13-16

Prayer of Confession – Adapted from Martin Luther

O Lord, on my own, I do not deserve a glimpse of heaven, and I am unable with my works to redeem myself from sin, death, the devil, and hell. Nevertheless, you have given me your Son, Jesus Christ, who is far more precious and dear than heaven, and much stronger than sin, death, the devil, and hell. For this I rejoice, praise you, and thank you, O God. Without cost and out of pure grace you have given me this boundless blessing in your dear Son: that through him, you take sin, death, and hell from me, and do grant me all that belongs to him instead.

ALL: **Forgive me, O Lord, for all the ways I quickly return to sinful, hellish and deathly things. Grant me to walk again in the newness of life granted by Christ alone. Amen.**

-Silent Confession-

Assurance of Grace – Ephesians 1.3-6

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.”

God calls His people into worship, not the other way around. His Word is the only thing that can truly draw our hearts into worship in Spirit and Truth. And so, we begin here.

The Bible tells us to let the Word of Christ dwell within us richly by “singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.” Thus, we sing of what God has done, and about our delight in Him.

Prayer isn’t just a private interaction with God, it is also a part of public worship. God calls His people to speak to Him as one unified body. “My” prayers become “Our” prayers as we cry out to Him together.

Tithes & Offerings

Our ushers will pass collection baskets during the final song. If writing a check, please make payable to “Ridge Presbyterian Church,” since both Ridge Paradise and Vespers Chico are sites of Ridge Presbyterian. Thank you for your generosity.

Confession of Faith – A Reformation Creed: Five Solas

We believe in one God in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—eternal, wise and glorious. We believe this God speaks in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, and that His Word alone is our authority for all matters of faith and the practice of true religion. We believe that God’s Word reveals the gospel—the revelation of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God and Savior of sinners. This Jesus is the righteousness of God and the unblemished lamb who was slain as a substitute for the sins of the world. His salvation is a gift of grace, received through faith alone. We believe in no other gospel than this, and that any hope of peace with God based on works, rituals or good deeds is really no gospel at all. We pray as Christ’s church, “Come, Lord Jesus,” and proclaim that all glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

Greetings & Fellowship (w/ Dismissal & Blessing of Children)

Welcome to all newcomers and visiting guests today. We are glad you are here! We’d love to connect with you through the welcome card linked to the QR code. Also during this time, parents can return clipboards, visit the bathroom with littles, and take them upstairs for children’s church! (See back panel for more!)

Preaching of God’s Word: 1 Kings 18.41-46

“That Boy Can Run”

Pastor Josh Lee

⁴¹ And Elijah said to Ahab, “Go up, eat and drink, for there is a sound of the rushing of rain.” ⁴² So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Mount Carmel. And he bowed himself down on the earth and put his face between his knees. ⁴³ And he said to his servant, “Go up now, look toward the sea.” And he went up and looked and said, “There is nothing.” And he said, “Go again,” seven times. ⁴⁴ And at the seventh time he said, “Behold, a little cloud like a man’s hand is rising from the sea.” And he said, “Go up, say to Ahab, ‘Prepare your chariot and go down, lest the rain stop you.’” ⁴⁵ And in a little while the heavens grew black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode and went to Jezreel. ⁴⁶ And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah, and he gathered up his garment and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

Benediction: Numbers 6.24-26

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”

Tithes and Offerings are part of our worship and response to the gospel. When we grasp that “He who was rich, for our sake became poor” it stirs us to reflect that generosity in our giving.

Creeds and catechisms give us a chance to proclaim what we believe while also acknowledging that we are part of something bigger than this local church. We join our voice to Christians around the globe and throughout history who have confessed these same statements of belief.

Since we have peace with God through the work of Jesus, we gladly extend peace to one another and welcome each other as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Because God has spoken to us through His Word we strive to proclaim what it says and teach what it means. It is through this Ministry of the Word that the Church receives training, correction, encouragement, and a deeper experience of the gospel of Jesus.

God gets the final word in the worship service. And with it He chooses to bless His people. That is what the word benediction means: “blessing.” Go in the peace of His blessing!