NOVEMBER 2, 2025



RIDGEPARADISE

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

Community Highlights

Operation Christmas Child

Grab a box or go online to Linktree! Collection Sunday: Nov. 16

CareNet Banquet

When: Friday, November 14 @ 6:00pm To support, visit: carenetparadise.org

Helping Hands Workday

When: Saturday, November 8 @ 8:00am Cleaning up the Sanctuary and Campus

Thirty Days of Prayer

Find this year's prayer calendar in the bulletin and on the Linktree!

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 or by visiting our website as detailed below!



Ridge Kids

Littler Kids (*Crawlers*–3yrs.)

Our nursery is available for the whole service in the Children's Ministry building across the courtyard. Our teachers provide a flexible environment to meet the needs of movement and comfort while also discipling through Bible stories and songs.

Bigger Kids (4yrs.–2nd Grade)

The Bigger Kids class is dismissed for Sunday School right before the sermon. The classroom is located in the Children's Ministry building across the courtyard. Our teachers are committed to introducing kids to scripture memory, prayer, and seeing Jesus in ALL of the Bible!

Worship Guides (3rd Grade & Up)

Kids 3rd grade & up are invited to stay in the sanctuary with their parents to learn the rhythms of full Sunday worship. Worship Guides are provided at the sanctuary doors to help engage kids more fully in the sermon. Kids can turn in ten completed Worship Guides to Sarah for a prize.

Ridge Presbyterian Church

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Find us Online: www.ridgepresbyterian.org <u>Call/Email</u>: 530.872.8270 | office.ridgepres@gmail.com **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: Psalm 89.11-15

"The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; The world and all that is in it, you have founded them.

The north and the south, you have created them; Tabor and Hermon joyously praise your name.

You have a mighty arm; Strong is your hand, high your right hand.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; Steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face..."

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.

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.

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.

Missions Moment Prayer: New Leaf (Nepal)

+ International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

New Leaf is one of our newer missionary partners and we are honored to have Co-Founders and U.S. Support Team Leaders Ken and Nancy Anderson with us to-day! Listen up for the update and for ways to partner with this rich, needed and fruitful ministry. See entryway table and Linktree for the latest prayer letter!

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.

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.

Confession of Faith: Reformation Creed

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 a 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/ Sending & 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 out the side door and through the courtyard to the Children's Education Building for children's church! (See back panel for more!)

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 words.

Creeds give us a chance to proclaim

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.

Preaching of God's Word Ecclesiastes 5.1-7

"Holy Ground"
Pastor Josh Lee

¹Guard your steps when you go to the house of God. To draw near to listen is better than to offer the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they are doing evil. ² Be not rash with your mouth, nor let your heart be hasty to utter a word before God, for God is in heaven and you are on earth. Therefore let your words be few. ³ For a dream comes with much business, and a fool's voice with many words. ⁴ When you vow a vow to God, do not delay paying it, for he has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you vow. ⁵ It is better that you should not vow than that you should vow and not pay. ⁶ Let not your mouth lead you into sin, and do not say before the messenger that it was a mistake. Why should God be angry at your voice and destroy the work of your hands? ⁷ For when dreams increase and words grow many, there is vanity; but God is the one you must fear.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Please receive your communion elements from our elders up front. Return to your seat and hold them until all have been served so we can eat and drink together.

Benediction: Numbers 6.24-26

May the Lord bless you and keep you; may he make his face to shine upon you and give you peace. Both now, and forevermore.

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

Followers of Jesus are invited to His table where He spiritually feeds His people. Though these elements are common bread and wine, they symbolize His body and blood and "preach" to our senses that Christ abides in us and we abide in Him.

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!