NOVEMBER 9, 2025



Jesus Christ and Him crucified."

Community Highlights

Veterans Day: Many thanks to all who have served & scarified for our country...!

Operation Christmas Child

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

CareNet Banquet

Friday, Nov.14, 6pm Give/support: carenetparadise.org

Thirty Days of Prayer

Find this year's prayer calendar on the Linktree if you missed it last week!

On the Radar:

-Vespers Chilli Cook-off next week,Nov. 16 after church-Office Closed: Monday, Veterans Day!

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

RidgeParadise & VespersChico Office: 562 Manzanita Ave. Ste. 3 Chico, 95926

 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 117.1-2

"Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.
Praise the LORD!"

-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.

Ridge Only

30 Days of Prayer: For Campus Ministries in Southern Africa Pray for the growth of RUF campus ministries in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, and Stellenbosch and Cape Town, South Africa. Also for the establishment of new RUFs in Johannesburg and in Blantyre, Malawi.

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.

Vespers Only

Sacrament of Baptism: Molly Lemos

Covenant Child of Jake & Megan

"For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." -Acts 2.39 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 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.

Baptism is the covenant sign marking one as being a member of the visible community of God's people. We acknowledge God's grace in building his church whether one is older, coming to Christ for the first time, or younger, born to believing parents.

Confession of Faith: Adapted from Hebrews 1&7 *Ridge Only*

We believe that God has spoken. We believe God spoke through the prophets of old, but in these last days, through Jesus His Son, who was appointed by God as the Heir of all things. Through Him also God created the world. As God's only Son, we believe Jesus Christ is the radiance of the glory of God, and the exact imprint of His holy nature. We believe Jesus alone upholds the universe by His mighty word, and that after He made purification for sins, Jesus sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. In so doing, our Jesus became the guarantor of a better covenant, and of all God's promises to a fallen world. We believe Jesus holds his priesthood forever and is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. In this Christ, our great high priest, we hope—holy, unstained and exalted above the heavens. Amen.

Creeds 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 words.

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!)

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 5.8-6.9

"Batteries Not Included"

Pastor Josh Lee

⁸ If you see in a province the oppression of the poor and the violation of justice and righteousness, do not be amazed at the matter, for the high official is watched by a higher, and there are yet higher ones over them. ⁹ But this is gain for a land in every way: a king committed to cultivated fields. ¹⁰ He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹ When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹² Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. ¹³ There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴ and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵ As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil

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.

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.

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!