

Men of the Ridge Breakfast

Saturday 9/26 @ 7:00am  
Hosted at CMA Paradise

Women’s Worship Night

Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm  
Hosted at Becky Wion's Home (409 Eel River, Chico)

Fall Retreat Registration

Register Online by TOMORROW  
See QR code for direct link



Abide Class

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Has Begun!  
8:00am in the Kid’s Ministry Building

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

Nursery to Toddlers *(Sitting Up–3yrs.)*

Our nursery is available for the whole service in the Children’s Ministry building across the courtyard. Little ones are invited to join our teachers for play, Bible stories, songs and snacks.

Pre-School & Early Elementary *(Runners: 3yrs–Tk & Early Elementary: K-2nd)*

Our “Runners” (3yrs-TK) and Early “Elementary” aged children (K-2nd Grade) are dismissed from the main sanctuary after the Worship singing. Parents can drop their kids off at their classrooms across the courtyard in the kids’ wing. Pick-up is right after the Benediction.

Worship Guides

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 eight completed Worship Guides to Madeline for a prize.

Older Elementary

Kids 3rd-5th grade are invited to join us for the “Abide” Sunday School class. We meet before the worship service from 8:15-9:15 in the room at the end of the hall in the kids’ ministry building.

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RIDGEPARADISE

“...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, hurt, 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

Based on Psalm 91.2 & Romans 10.13

Let us Worship God!

**All: For He is our refuge and our fortress, our God in whom we trust.**

Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,” And believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead.

**All: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.**

Let us call upon our true God, believing Him in our hearts, Confessing him with our mouths, worshipping Him in Spirit and in truth!

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.

### 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.

### Prayers of Adoration

The Greatness of God

O God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth.

**For you the valleys shall sing for joy, the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

For you the kings of the earth shall bow, the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

**Your love and mercy shall last forever, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.**

Great is your name. **Great is your love. Amen.**

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 was rich in Christ”, we give the praise to God with the name of Christ Jesus.

### Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q/A #1

Q: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

**A: My only comfort in life and in death, is that I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; In fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

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

### Greetings & Fellowship (with Blessing & Sending of Kids)

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 wing 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

Exodus 20.13; Matthew 5.21-22

“From Duty to Delight: The 6th Commandment”

Pastor Bryan D. Laws

13 You shall not murder.



God has spoken to us through His Word, so we strive to proclaim what it says and teach what it means. Through it, God trains, corrects, encourages, and draws His Church into fellowship with Him.

21 “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ 22 But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.”

Followers of Jesus are invited to His table where He spiritually feeds us. 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.

### Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Please receive 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

2 Corinthians 13.14

“The grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

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!