

MISSIONS SUNDAY

JANUARY 29, 2023

VESPERS CHICO

"...and this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world"

Community Highlights

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, February 26th
Nominating deacons for RPC

Membership Sunday

Sunday, February 12th
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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.



Vespers Kids

Nursery & Toddlers

Parents of Babies can utilize the cry rooms on either side of the sanctuary. Toddlers (1–3yrs.) are invited to play in the Crawlers class located in the children's wing. Both of these childcare options are available for the entire service.

Pre-school & Elementary

Our Runners Class (3-5yrs.) and our Elementary Class (5-8yrs.) are dismissed after the Worship Singing. Parents can drop their kids off at their classrooms across the courtyard in the kid's wing. Pick-up is right after the Benediction

Note Challenge

For older kids (9yrs.+), we have clipboards on the back table for drawing/sketching/coloring. If you can turn in 10 note pages with a little something you heard in church each week, you earn a prize!

Ridge Presbyterian Church

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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 Isaiah 42.10-12

Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise from the end of the earth,
You who go down to the sea, and all that fills it,
The coastlands and their inhabitants.
Let the desert and its cities lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar inhabits;
Let the habitants of Sela sing for joy, let them shout from the top of mountains.
Let them give glory to the Lord, and declare his praise in the coastlands.

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 Update Transitions in 2023

Bonker Family—Jon and Katie have moved from Bangladesh back to the US to begin working with RUF International at the University of Florida. Pray that the Lord would sustain the church and ministries they leave behind in Bangladesh and bless this new endeavor with international students in Florida.

Becker Family—Karl and Laurel have finished their time at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya, and have moved to Eugene Oregon. They will both be looking for new jobs as Karl finishes his counseling degree. Pray for them to find a church home and connect with this new community.

Fernandez Family—Dylan and Annie have transitioned from the Middle East back to California. They'll be continuing their work with the Arab community as Annie works in refugee care and Dylan takes a new role with CRU. Pray for them as they begin these new jobs in San Diego.

Pettengill Family—Mike and Erin are stepping out of their role as MTW West Coast Mobilizers to start a new business endeavor in California. Pray that the Lord would bless them in this transition and raise up strong leadership to take over at the West Coast Hub.

N. and B.—Our confidential friends will be finishing a 7 year stint in North Africa in March. They'll be heading back to the US to take a sabbatical and discern what the Lord is calling them to next. Pray for His direction and leading.

Prayer Focus Henson Family in Peru

The country of Peru has been in crisis since last month. Political turmoil has given rise to massive protests, riots, and violence, especially in the more rural parts of the country. The Henson's live in one such area, the mountain city of Cusco. Today we pray for peace in this country and protection for this family as they seek to minister the gospel in the midst of crisis.

Please break up into prayer groups with your neighbors around you

Confession of Faith—The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.* The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,** the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Separation from God*

***The Church in all times and places*

Preaching of God's Word II Corinthians 1.11

"Supporting the Goers"
Mike Pettengill

"You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many."

Mike and Erin Pettengill have been missions partners with RPC for over 15 years! Our partnership with them began when Mike and his family moved to Central America as MTW missionaries in Honduras. From there, the Pettengills transitioned to Equatorial Guinea, and then back to California to launch the West Coast Hub for MTW to mobilize and equip new missionaries for the field. We welcome Mike back to join us today, but also are eager to show our love and thank him and his family as they step out of full-time missions work this year.

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.

As we pray for God's work across the globe we are reminded that the gospel is not restrained by borders or nationalities. It brings people from all over the globe together in ONE unified Body of Christ.

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 creeds.

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. Go in the peace of His blessing!