



# RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June 2021

**ON-SITE SERVICES SUNDAY  
8:30 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M.**

## **10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE ON ZOOM**

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86815936572?  
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Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86815936572?pwd=QVh6eXpnYTl4SWZzd2E1Vm9iQmdDZz09)

Meeting ID: 868 1593 6572  
Passcode: 857605

Through June 27 (4 occurrences)

June	6, 2021	10:30 A.M.
June	13, 2021	10:30 A.M.
June	20, 2021	10:30 A.M.
June	27, 2021	10:30 A.M.



**We will celebrate Communion on  
Sunday, June 6, 2021**



JUNE NEWSLETTERS ARE  
AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

**Session Meeting  
June 17, 2021 7:00 pm**



## PASTOR'S NOTES

### Morning Devotionals

It was a handful of years ago, maybe more, when the dozen of us met for our annual gathering in late autumn, and Sam had volunteered to organize morning worship. Each day Sam handed each of us – Presbyterian pastors all, some retired, some not, and some thinking about it – a single page with a short intro, a scripture reading, a prayer, and there was a blank spot for music. Since there were almost more guitars than guys, each morning Sam would wrangle someone to play a hymn or two.

Toward the end of the week Sam showed us the resource he had utilized, and I enjoyed it enough to purchase the book for myself. For a lot of reasons (most of them more sad than insightful) the book rarely came off the shelf, except for that one autumn when I almost had to organize worship for that same group.

On March 15<sup>th</sup> of last year a clergy colleague in Boise popped up on social media; Marci had posted a reflection, a contemplation, an idea upon which to focus, just as social distancing shifted from concept to reality. I watched Marci's post a few times, and her post the next day was just as insightful, if not more so, and I found myself thinking about those morning worship experiences Sam had put together for us, and the book I had left languishing on a shelf but barely used. There it was: *Common Prayer; a Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals* (© 2010, Zondervan Publ.). By the end of the day I had fumbled around enough to create a devotional for Ridglea and post it on social media. At the time, most of us were hopeful that "this COVID thing" would subside by summertime, so these morning devotionals would, hopefully, provide a small connection while we were unable to worship together in the sanctuary.

And here we are, fourteen-plus months later, and Ridglea Presbyterian is joining the list of congregations which are coming back into our buildings to worship, learn, and play together. With these opportunities to be in one another's company, the daily devotionals are taking an extended hiatus (as of May 28<sup>th</sup>). The intention for the devotionals, from the beginning, was that such brief interludes, such brief offerings of scripture, song, and reflection, would remind us of our connections, even in isolation. Even in separation we can lean on the community of hope; we can rise on the melodies of mercy. Many thanks to Sam, Drew, Marci, and Brenda for their ideas, insights, friendship, and support, and many thanks to all who have watched and participated and shared along the way.

Peace,

# Making contact...

Ridglea Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church (USA). It is governed by the Session, an elected body composing of elders and pastors. Our committees, led by elders, oversee our ministries. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. Email: [Clerk@RidgleaPres.org](mailto:Clerk@RidgleaPres.org). Our deacons oversee our ministries of care and compassion. Email: [Deacons@RidgleaPres.org](mailto:Deacons@RidgleaPres.org)

## RPC SESSION

### Class of 2021

Julie Ritz  
Butch Saxton  
Tom Sisolak  
Renee' Stuart

### Class of 2022

Delaine Godwin  
Katrina Little  
George Tischler  
Reeve Van Nostrand

### Class of 2023

Miriam Gallagher  
Gayle Johnson  
Nancy Staples  
Nick Thoni

*Clerk of Session: Karen Landon*

## RPC TRUSTEES

### Class of 2021

Jean Hadley  
Ken Kibler

### Class of 2022

Chris Henderson  
Susan Maxwell

### Class of 2023

Jim Godfrey

## 2021 RPC DEACONS

\*Betsy Kibler - Moderator

Michelle Birdwell - Home Member Care Coordinator

Jane Johnson—Home Member Care Coordinator

Lynne Payne—Hospital Care Coordinators

Ruth Ann Rinewalt—Hospital Care Coordinators

Dean Phillips – Hospital Care Coordinators

Jean Godfrey – Funeral Reception Coordinator

\*Not active Deacon

## RPC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Class of 2021

Thylis Chambless

### Class of 2022

Micky Severson

### Class of 2023

Will Stallworth

### Class of 2024

Steve Staples

### Designee

Shiryl Thompson Gillaspie

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Church Office #817.732.3388



Many of us know the blessings of having fellow church members pray for us and others.

Prayer Request items are distributed to a list maintained by PWR. Anyone who would like to be added to this distribution list should call the Church office.

Anyone who has a prayer request can send the information to Ruth Ann Rinewalt at [r.rinewalt@att.net](mailto:r.rinewalt@att.net).

Remember Our  
Home Members



The Care Committee wishes to encourage the congregation to send a note, a card, or make a phone call to a Home Member to brighten their day, since visitors are not allowed at this time. For a Home Member's contact information, please call either Jane Johnson @ 817-307-9776 or Betsy Kibler @ 817-560-3141. ☺

Thank you for reaching out to our Home Members!

The Care Committee

### June Just Bring It



Cougar Pride Foundation: regular-sized brown paper lunch sacks, regular-sized dinner napkins, and Quaker Chewy Granola Bars

RPC has been helping with the Western Hills High School Cougar Pride Foundation over the last few years. This volunteer group provides hot meals and sack lunches to students, operates the Cougar Corner food pantry and clothes closet as well assisting with programs such as Adopt-a-Senior. Our very own Karen Lindsay Landon is very involved with the group, and is on their board responsible for Outreach to the community, as well as serving with RPC on our Outreach Team and as the Stated Clerk of Session.



The WHHS Cougar Pride Foundation serves between 8,000 to 10,000 meals each year to students participating in extra-curricular activities. More than half of those meals are sack lunches (for off-site activities).



**Our Just Bring It for June: regular-sized brown paper lunch sacks, regular-sized dinner napkins, and Quaker Chewy Granola Bars to help with those sack lunches.**





**PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT SHELTER**  
of Tarrant County  
*Providing safety and hope since 1984*

**Please help us help others!!**

There are sign ups for sandwich makers for the Presbyterian Night Shelter in the hallway on the bulletin board with the Flower Calendar. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Aprilant  
**nAprilant@charter.net**



**Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m.**  
**Sanctuary**



**REVITALIZING NEIGHBORHOODS**

*Grab a brush and join us!*

**Saturday, October 2nd**  
**8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

- Painting Homes and Serving Families—a Fort Worth tradition since 1991.
- Brighten up neighborhoods and help lower-income families, many of whom are elderly residents on fixed incomes no longer able to do this work on their own.
- Fill a whole house with a team of 15 or we'll combine your smaller team with others. Larger groups can paint multiple houses.
- Volunteers must be 12 or older.
- Ladders, water, and lunch/snacks are your responsibility. We provide all other supplies.
- Space is limited. After sponsors, team slots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

**TEAM CAPTAINS' MEETING**

**Tuesday, September 28 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Trinity Habitat for Humanity**  
9333 N. Normandale St.  
Fort Worth, Texas 76116

Team Captains receive instructions, their house address, and paint day supplies at this required meeting.

*Learn more and register your team at*  
[TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp](http://TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp)

**QUESTIONS?**

Jacquelyn Wall  
Sponsor Relations Manager  
[Jacquelyn.Wall@TrinityHabitat.org](mailto:Jacquelyn.Wall@TrinityHabitat.org)  
817.926.9219 x132  
817.437.7005 (mobile)



**REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE**  
[TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp](http://TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp)

An Adult (18+) or Youth Liability Waiver is required for all participants. These can be downloaded at the link above and turned in at the Team Captains' Meeting.



**BECOME A SPONSOR**

Support Trinity Habitat's Preserve a Home program and help cover the expense of supplies. Sponsorship is not required, but guarantees participation for your team.

- \$1,250 - Name Printed on Event T-Shirt  
Guaranteed Participation: 1 Team
- \$2,500 - Small Logo on Event T-Shirt  
Guaranteed Participation: Up to 2 Teams
- \$5,000 - Large Logo on Event T-Shirt  
Guaranteed Participation: Up to 4 Teams

**Commitment Deadline: August 20**  
All Funds & T-Shirt Sizes Due By: September 3

Register at [TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp](http://TrinityHabitat.org/BrushUp)



**The Jam Sessions for June will be on Monday, the 7th and 21st, in the Sanctuary from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Lots of bluegrass, folk, Americana and country music is shared with acoustic (unamplified) instruments. Musicians of all skills are encouraged!**



## Presbyterian Women

Gifts of Women Sunday was a day of celebration and thanksgiving. We were celebrating our second Sunday of “in person” worship together and are grateful for a year of mission projects our church accomplished. A big thank you to all the women who volunteered to take part. Special thanks to our sermon speakers: Nancy Marchant, Lynne Payne, Andi Ferreira, Thylis Chambless and Marsha West. We are proud to be able to support long time mission partners and a few new ones too. Each speaker did a good job in directing our attention to new needs and concerns that we might consider. What a joy to surprise two of our hard working members, Jo Ann Van Oosterhout and Karen Landon, with Honorariums this year! We appreciate all you do for P.W. and Ridglea Presbyterian.

Circles have finished our bible study this year. We were overjoyed to find hope at the end of our journey. Each circle is planning to meet some way over the summer for fellowship and support. Thank you to our circle leaders: Mac Zimmerman, Jo Ann Van Oosterhout, and Thylis Chambless, for keeping us connected during these challenging fourteen months.

The “in person” Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women which was supposed to be in St. Louis this year in August has been cancelled. The Gathering Planning Team is working on maybe an “online” program and worship service. For more information, watch [www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering). Their very timely theme is Rejoice in Hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

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BIBLE STUDY - MISSION - FELLOWSHIP  
All Women, Always Welcomed



- ♦ We Welcome
  - ♦ We Witness
  - ♦ We Work (and play!)
- Putting faith in action is what we do!***

Sign up for Covid Vaccine

<https://tcph.quickbase.com/db/bq3q4uet8?prfry=1>



## RPC 2021 GRADUATES



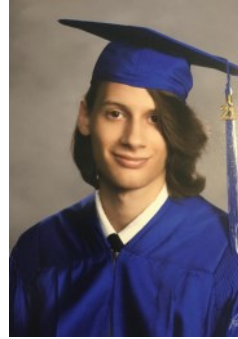
### Mandy Godfrey



At Weatherford High School Mandy has been a member of the FFA and the National Technical Honor Society. Through FFA she earned her Knowledge Based Floral Certification, Masters of Beef

Advocacy Certification, and Purina Pro Plan Nutrition Certification. She competed on the Senior Quiz Team, and Entomology Team where she won 1st at Area to advance to State competition. After high school Mandy will attend Tarleton State University to pursue a major in Animal Science with Pre-Vet concentration.

### Gavin Godfrey



At Weatherford High School Gavin was a part of the Automotive Technology program for two years. There he learned the basic fundamental skills of how to fix common problems in a car. Even skills that everyone should know, like changing oil. This past year, Gavin took his grandparent's old Mercedes to the NGC Campus to have the class work on it. Gavin's after high school plans are undecided.

### Preston Lee



Preston will be graduating in May from Aledo HS. He has been involved in art and robotics during his time at AHS. Preston looks forward to attending the University of North Texas to pursue a degree in graphic design.

### Jadyn Martin



Jadyn Martin is graduating from Burleson Centennial High School. She is a four-year member of both the choir and swim team. She was honored this year with the title of female swim team captain. Jadyn will be attending McMurry University in Abilene, TX where she will be majoring in Criminology with a minor in Psychology. She plans to continue to sing and swim for the Red Hawks.

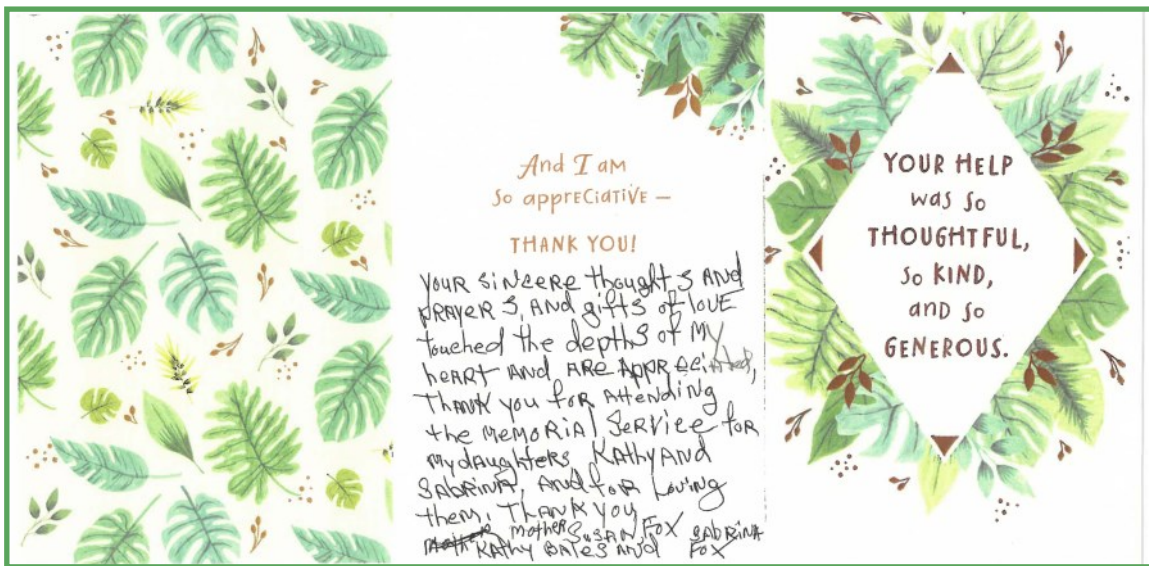




In life, there are many paths you can take and many people who share the journey, but it's the special people from Ridglea who helped along the way, who cared enough to give of themselves unconditionally. We give our thanks for your encouragements, kindness, and many cards at the death of my Step-Mom, Betty Broadie, being at her funeral and John's knee replacement surgery. And an extra special thank you to Circle 3 in providing John and I with wonderful meals for the last nine days. Our hearts are overflowing with the love and grace you all have shown us.

Bless each and everyone one of you.

John and Delaine Godwin



### The 2021 Flower Calendar is now posted in the Narthex



Sign up to provide the floral arrangement used in both worship services. You can honor or remember a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, or just provide some beauty for our new worship space. Arrangements are normally \$50.00. You may take the flowers with you after the 10:30 service. If you have any questions, contact Patricia at the church office 817-732-3388.



# RPC Youth & Children's News.....

## Ridglea Presbyterian Church

### CHILDREN AND YOUTH 2021 SUMMER CALENDAR



Youth Fellowship (5th thru 12th grade) is planned for 11:30 am - 2:30 pm on June 13th and June 27th. The June 13th meeting will be activities at the church. June 27th we will take a little road trip, the time for this date might change slightly. Details about that to come later.



RPC Youth added 130lbs of dog food to the April Just Bring It donation. We had fun on our new patio with a box lunch and re-packaging the pet food into smaller bags.

### GREAT TURNOUT FOR YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MAY 16, 2021, WITH LUNCH AND GAMES AND TOURS OF CLASSROOMS



## Session Meeting Notes for May 20, 2021

- The Ridglea Presbyterian Church regular stated session meeting took place on Thursday, May 20, 2021, in the RPC Sanctuary and also via the Zoom video conferencing application. The Reverend Roger Harwerth moderated the meeting. RPC Clerk Karen Landon took the minutes of the meeting. Some members of the session attended in person and some remotely accessed the meeting.
- The minutes of the April 22, 2021, stated session meeting and the May 7, 2021, email session meeting were approved.
- RPC elders-elect were present and examined by the members of session. The session authorized the ordination and installation of the officers-elect on June 20, 2021 at the 10:30 service of worship.
- The session voted to discontinue the reservation process for Sunday worship services beginning with the May 30, 2021 services.
- The session voted that, beginning May 30, 2021, people will be allowed to participate in worship with or without a mask (following the most recent CDC guidelines encouraging people who have not been fully vaccinated to continue wearing masks). The 4-feet social distancing placement of rows will remain the same at this time, with members being allowed to sit wherever they like.
- The session voted that congregational singing would resume May 30, 2021 (following the most recent CDC guidelines encouraging people who have not been fully vaccinated to continue wearing masks).
- The session approved the summer worship schedule. There will be one service of worship on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. during the month of July.
- The next RPC stated session meeting will be Thursday, June 17, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the church. The meeting will be a hybrid of in-person and virtual.

### GET TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS



#### NICK & ALICIA THONI

Recently married in 2020. Nick is originally from Kilgore, TX. He was raised a Methodist until 13 when his family converted to Presbyterian. Growing up in the Presbyterian church, he got to experience Mo Ranch, meetings at Austin College & Tulsa University. Alicia is a Burleson girl who was involved in competition cheerleading & is currently a member of Travis Ave Baptist Church. Nick loves to Golf and Hunt. Nick is a current Elder and is in Veterinarian Sales.

**Why Fort Worth-?** Because it has everything you need and nothing you don't. Big City with small town feel.

**Fun Fact:** Rock n Roll over Country- First concert was "Jimmy Page and Robert Plant" in 1995 Dallas.

Every month, the Commitment Committee will select a church member to highlight so everyone can get to know them better. Our first "Get to Know Our Members" is Nick and Alicia Thoni.

### Service Session Work Group:

Primary task is to provide for the service of the people of God, focusing on the external life of the church.

**1st Monday of the Month** (as needed)

**June 7, 2021**

**Ministry Teams meetings**

**1st Tuesday of the Month**

**June 1, 2021**

- **Outreach Team: Focus on Mission**

*Miriam Gallagher, Chair* (6:00 p.m.)

**3rd Wednesday of the Month**

**June 16, 2021**

- **Commitment Focus on Guests**

*Katrina Little, Chair* (as needed)

**1st Tuesday of the Month**

**June 1, 2021**

**Ministry Team meeting at 10:30 a.m.**

- **Care Team: Focus on Members**

*Betsy Kibler, Chair* (as needed)

**1st Wednesday of the month**

**June 2, 2021**

- **Worship Team: Delaine Godwin, Chair**

(as needed)

### Worship & Nurture Work Group:

Primary task is to provide for the service of the people of God, focusing on the internal life of the church.

**2nd Tuesday of the Month**

**June 8, 2021**

**Ministry Teams meeting**

- **Christian Education:** *Julie Ritz, Chair* (6:15 pm)
- **Fellowship Team:** *Bill Long, Chair; Butch Saxton, Vice Chair* (as needed)

**3rd Tuesday of the week**

**Session Meeting week**

**Ministry Team meeting**

- **Finance & Budget, Reeve Van Nostrand** (5:30 pm) (as needed)

**YOUR SESSION INVITES YOU TO FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS:**

1. FIND YOUR PASSION
2. FIND YOUR MINISTRY TEAM
3. IDENTIFY YOUR MEETING NIGHT
4. GET INVOLVED!

### Government Session Work Group:

Primary task is to provide support & resources for the church.

**2nd Wednesday of the Month**

**June 9, 2021**

**Ministry Teams meeting**

- **Building & Equipment** (as needed)  
*George Tischler & John Godwin, Co-Chairs*
- **Personnel** (as needed)  
*Blythe Lee, Chair and Julie Ritz*
- **Clerk of Session**  
*Karen Landon*

**Session Meeting**  
**June 17, 2021 7:00 pm**

## June Birthdays



Abigail Dearman	6	2
Mac Zimmerman	6	4
Walter Dueease	6	4
Robert Ballard	6	6
Caroline Maas	6	6
Tabitha Hand	6	9
Kit Van Nostrand	6	12
Caroline Baethge	6	14
Larry Hawkins	6	19
Nancy Staples	6	19
Jane Johnson	6	22
Wayne Stubberman	6	23
Kathy Braudway	6	25
Isabel Quintero	6	26
Melissa Quintero	6	26
Jose Quintero	6	27
Dale Bench	6	29
Frank Delullo	6	30
Bruce Sandford	6	30

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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The next  
newsletter  
deadline  
will be  
June 24, 2021 at  
noon.