



RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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July 2021

WORSHIP SERVICES SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

Please note we will continue to stream
our service of worship on Facebook and
Zoom (see below for Zoom info)



We will celebrate Communion on
Sunday, July 4, 2021

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 813 7795 6620
Passcode: 409585

July 4, 2021 10:30 AM
July 11, 2021 10:30 AM
July 18, 2021 10:30 AM
July 25, 2021 10:30 AM



**THE CHURCH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED JULY 5, 2021
IN OBSERVANCE OF
INDEPENDENCE DAY**

JULY NEWSLETTERS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

THERE WILL BE
NO SESSION MEETING
FOR THE MONTH OF JULY.

PASTOR'S NOTES



It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood

We had a wonderful Meet & Greet event a couple of Saturdays ago, with nearly two dozen folks coming from the neighborhood to see the inside of the church and get to know a little bit about us. Some of the leaders of the Ridglea Hills Addition Neighborhood Association (RHANA) were able to meet a number of Ridglea Presbyterians, including members of the session and the Relocation Coordinating Committee (RCC). It was also nice to be able to show the numerous trees around the property that RHANA had helped to procure on our behalf, and how these trees are adding beauty to our setting.

Some of our visitors have lived in the neighborhood for decades, others just a few years, and it was wonderful to hear some of their stories and perceptions and backgrounds, along with some of their hoped-for connections with our congregation. At least one conversation that happened within earshot included a neighbor expressing hope that Ridglea Presbyterian is a place of welcome, because the neighbor was aware that some people might have felt “pushed out” of other congregations. The Ridglea member who was listening then graciously responded that our congregation is very affirming and has a history of being welcome to folks who have felt unwelcomed elsewhere. As I later thought about that snippet of conversation, it occurred to me that such a discussion might not have occurred, or would have been quite different, just a decade ago.

Many of us remember the struggles involved with inclusion, which often tried to divide people between scriptural interpretations and relationships. There were plenty of dire warnings and strained connections over those years, with too many meetings where civility skated on thin ice. From those struggles came awareness, deeper discernment, and movement toward a more broad understanding of inclusion and community. Enough movement that allows and encourages us to tell our neighbors that Ridglea has a history of welcome and affirmation.

As Jenny McDevitt of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians put it:

Where Pride goes, may acceptance be the norm
Where Pride goes, may the welcome be warm.

We are so grateful for our neighbors here at Ridglea Presbyterian, and pray that they will always feel welcome with us.

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. Our deacons oversee our ministries of care and compassion. Email: Deacons@RidgleaPres.org

RPC SESSION

Class of 2022

Delaine Godwin
Katrina Little
George Tischler
Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2023

Miriam Gallagher
Gayle Johnson
Nancy Staples
Nick Thoni

Class of 2024

Susan Everts
Marji Raunikar
Mike Strange
Dale Wagner

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
Kit Van Nostrand—Home Member Care Coordinator
Lynne Payne—Hospital Care Coordinator
Ruth Ann Rinewalt—Hospital Care Coordinator
Dean Phillips – Hospital Care Coordinator
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

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Dale Bench, Organist

Thomas Rodriguez, Church Custodian

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Church Office #817.732.3388

July Just Bring It

Foster Children School Supplies



Presbyterian Children's
Homes and ServicesSM



Our RPC family will have the privilege of providing school supplies for seven children in foster care through PCHS – our Presbyterian agency that provides Christ-centered care and support to children and families in need. PCHS recruits and trains foster families to help children heal from trauma so they can build healthy relationships, succeed in education and discover their own world of opportunities and possibilities.

School supplies are expensive! And foster families need our help. The seven children we are assigned have specific (and different) lists from a variety of grades and school districts. We have split the lists into smaller parts to allow participation from more of our RPC supporters. The lists will be available for pickup beginning Sunday, June 27 at the morning service, or during the week in the office. Feel free to take more than one slip, but be sure to bring back your supplies **WITH LISTS** or marked with student name by **SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021!**

If you'd prefer to donate funds, we will do the shopping for you – just mark your donation JULY JBI—PCHS. If you have any questions, feel free to call me – Nancy Marchant, 817-946-4639.



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.

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



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



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

QUESTIONS?

Jacquelyn Wall
Sponsor Relations Manager

Jacquelyn.Wall@TrinityHabitat.org
817.926.9219 x132
817.437.7005 (mobile)



REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE
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



The Jam Sessions for July will be on Monday, July 5 and 19th, 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

July, 2021

Here comes summer months and women of PW Ridgela are happy for this time to recoup, reconnect and have some “just fellowship time” with circle friends.

Circle News: Circles meet in July to finish this year’s study.

Circle One and Two	July 13	11:00 a.m.	Church
Circle Three	July 6	7:00 p.m.	Zoom

This is also a good time to take a look back — WAY BACK

Susan Dowd, executive director of Presbyterian Women, Inc. wrote an article in Horizon Magazine on how PW started and grew through the years. Here are some highlights:

1. In 1789—women began to organize their ministries using missionary, tract, Bible, Ladies Aid and Cent Societies. (Members gave a penny a week to attend.) In some of the societies, a minister or elder was present to open the meetings with prayer because “no one knew what they would pray for if left alone.”

2. From 1814-1871 –women began organizing beyond the congregation. Women’s General Missionary Society was approved by the United Presbyterian Church General Assembly.

3. In 1871, they began publishing Woman’s Work for Women and Our Mission Field. Publishing continued for 150 years, including the last 33 as Horizons. It is one of the longest publishing traditions in the P.C.U.S.A....to be continued next month.

On the national news—word has come down that the 2021 Gathering will be available online. For date and instructions, go to www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.

Our July ***Just Bring It***: Presbyterian Children’s Home and Services. Our RPC family will have the privilege of providing school supplies for seven children in foster care through PCHS – our Presbyterian agency that provides Christ-centered care and support to children and families in need. PCHS recruits and trains foster families to help children heal from trauma so they can build healthy relationships, succeed in education and discover their own world of opportunities and possibilities. If you’d prefer to donate funds, we will do the shopping for you – just mark your donation JULY JBI—PCHS. If you have any questions, feel free to call me – Nancy Marchant, 817-946-4639.

BIBLE STUDY - MISSION - FELLOWSHIP
All Women, Always Welcomed



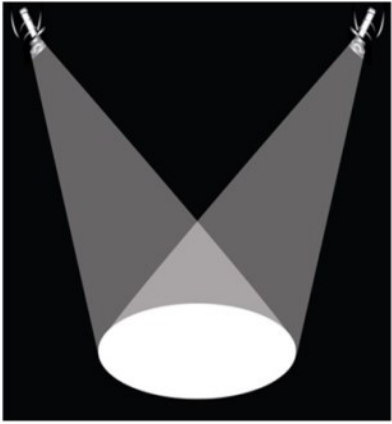
- ◆ We Welcome
- ◆ We Witness
- ◆ We Work (and play!)
Putting faith in action is what we do!

Sign up for Covid Vaccine

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



INTRODUCING OUR NEW MEMBERS



RICHARD & SHONDA KAEMPF

Spotlight on our newest members

Richard and Shonda Kaempf

We want to welcome our newest members, Richard and Shonda Kaempf. Richard has lived in Fort Worth for 63 years and Shonda got here as quickly as possible and has lived here for 40 year. They were married at RPC 34 years ago and have 2 grown children. Richard and Shonda are both retired teachers. Richard currently has the fun job of driving for Cowtown Charters and Shonda is currently a dyslexia therapist for a private school. Shonda is constantly inspired by her students and Richard is inspired by those who strive to reach their goals. Both enjoy music with Richard enjoying country and western and Shonda enjoying pop rock. During this past year during COVID Shonda has enjoyed the quiet moments at home and Richard was pleased that scientist were able to get the COVID vaccine quickly. A fun fact on Richard – he was the 1985 golf champion of the former Lake Country Club. His favorite book is The Cather in the Rye and Shonda's is To Kill a Mockingbird. Asked if you had to eat one meal every day for the rest of your life Richard said he would eat grilled steak, baked potato and salad and Shonda would eat shrimp and sweet potato fries. We are excited to have the Kaempf's at Ridglea Presbyterian Church. Welcome!



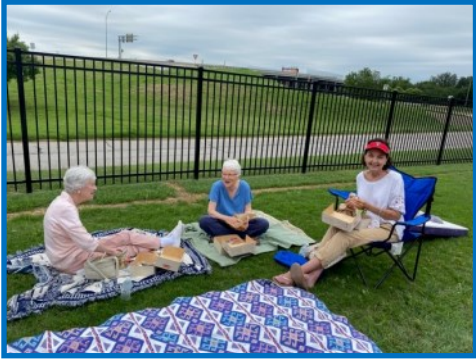
Announcing the newest addition to Ridglea Presbyterian Church's Staff!

Youth and Children's Ministry Coordinator, Kate Morrell



Kate Morrell is local to Fort Worth and very excited to step into the role of Youth and Children's Ministry Coordinator! Kate grew up in the church, the daughter of a Pastor and a Children's Minister, she is honored to carry on the tradition of service. Her passion for children's care and education has spanned her career serving as both a teacher and a nonprofit administrator for a children's charity. She has served previously in children and youth ministry, camps, and events through laughter and prayer! It is her mission and honor to facilitate safe and educational fellowship for the children and youth of Ridglea Presbyterian Church. Please contact Kate with any questions, ideas, concerns, or funny stories at: kate@ridgleapres.org or call at 817.732.3388 Ext.13

ALL CHURCH GATHERING
PICNIC AT OUR NEW CHURCH HOME
MAY 30, 2021



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

Ridglea Presbyterian Church CHILDREN AND YOUTH 2021 CALENDAR



The CE Team is excited to share the following offerings for your youth (grades 5-12) for the coming months. We are hoping to get the youth reconnected and engaged. And we encourage them to invite friends to come along. There will be food and games and mission project. Plans for July and August are still in the works and will be communicated soon.



PLEASE NOTE, WE NOW HAVE CHILDCARE AND SECURITY FOR CHILDREN INFANT TO AGE 7 DURING THE 10:30 A.M. SERVICE.



**FELLOWSHIP GATHERING (LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED)
MARK YOUR CALENDAR
JULY 11, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Registration is set up on Realm in order to get an approximate headcount for food planning.



The 2021 Flower Calendar is now posted in the Narthex

Sign up to provide the floral arrangement in the worship service. 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 worship service.

If you have any questions, contact Patricia at the church office 817-732-3388.

Session Meeting Notes for June 17, 2021

- The Ridglea Presbyterian Church regular stated session meeting took place on Thursday, June 17, 2021, in the RPC Sanctuary. All attendees were present in person. This was the first exclusively in-person session meeting since March 2020, when meetings began to be held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Reverend Roger Harwerth moderated the meeting. RPC Clerk Karen Landon took the minutes of the meeting. Also in attendance were John Sauvey, Director of Music, and Betsy Kibler, Moderator of the Board of Deacons. Elders-Elect for the Class of 2024 were also present.
- The minutes of the May 20, 2021, stated session meeting were approved.
- The session approved the vacation request of Rev. Harwerth for August 24-30. We will have pulpit supply on Sunday, August 29th.
- The session voted to suspend the 8:30 a.m. worship service indefinitely, or until such time as the session finds the need to resume the 8:30 a.m. worship service.
- There will be no July 2021 stated session meeting. The next RPC stated session meeting will be Thursday, August 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.
- There will be a Grace Presbytery Opening/Dedication of RPC (for our new location at Southwest Blvd.) on Sunday, September 19, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.
- The next stated Grace Presbytery meeting will be Saturday, September 25th at First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth. RPC will elect 3 elder commissioners to attend.

INSTALLATION OF NEW ELDERS AND DEACONS

- Susan Everts
- Marji Raunikar
- Mike Strange
- Kathryn Van Nostrand
- Dale Wagner



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)*

July 5, 2021

Ministry Teams meetings

1st Tuesday of the Month

July 6, 2021

- Outreach Team: Focus on Mission

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

2nd Wednesday of the Month

July 14, 2021

- Commitment Focus on Guests

Katrina Little, Chair (as needed)

1st Tuesday of the Month

July 6, 2021

Ministry Team meeting at 10:30 a.m.

- Care Team: Focus on Members

Betsy Kibler, Chair (as needed)

1st Wednesday of the month

July 7, 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

July 13, 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

July 14, 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

July Birthdays



Margaret Marchant	7	1
Jackie Moad	7	2
Ronny Delullo	7	3
Madelyn Register	7	5
Gayle Hanneman	7	7
Renee Stuart	7	7
Delaine Godwin	7	8
Nancy Ritts	7	9
Tom Sisolak	7	14
Zoe Martin	7	14
Tommie Quintero	7	16
Jadyn Martin	7	16
Richard Kaempf	7	16
Angel Rodriguez	7	20
Betty Ford	7	21
Rachel Pena	7	22
Stella Rodriguez	7	23
Andi Ferreira	7	25
Eddie Eubanks	7	26
Arlo Dueease	7	26
Chris Shahan	7	28

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76116

The next
newsletter
deadline
will be
July 20, 2021 at
noon.