



RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June , 2022

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Join Zoom Meeting (US and Canada)

Every week on Sun, until Jun 26, 2022,

4 occurrence(s)

June 5, 2022 10:30 AM

Jun 12, 2022 10:30 AM

Jun 19, 2022 10:30 AM

Jun 26, 2022 10:30 AM

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We will celebrate the sacrament of Communion on Sunday, June 5.



Please join us for a “Fried Chicken dinner with all the fixins” after Worship on Sunday, June 12, 2022 in the Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall.

ECLECTIC CAFÉ SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

April 24-May 22, (9:30 a.m.), we hope you will join us for a discussion about: What does it mean to be a Matthew 25 Church?

Matt 25:35-36

For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me in. I needed clothes, and you clothes me. I was sick, and you looked after me. I was in prison, and you came to me.

The class will be led by: Lynne Payne, Nancy Marchant, Chris Shahan, Thylys Chambless, Marji Rauniker, and Marsha West.

The link for the class is below. It will be the same link every Sunday. Note you need to use the password.

We hope you can come to all these classes or as many as possible, so we learn together and try to discern God’s message for our lives.

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Meeting ID: Topic: RPC Eclectic Matthew 25



JUNE NEWSLETTERS
ARE AVAILABLE
IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

SESSION MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON
JUNE 23, 2022 At 7:00 P.M.



PASTOR'S NOTES



Spare Time

Tucked in a corner of a utility room, almost out of sight, is a blue and white vinyl carrying case, which holds a swirling-gold, 16-pound orb and its polishing cloth, nestled on a sturdy heavy-gauge stand within the vinyl case. Back in high school (in the mid-1970's) there was the option of taking a bowling class for physical education credit, which many of us considered an excuse to be out to the school building for an hour or so. My older brother Randy had done that a few years earlier, and after he graduated high school he would talk about going to the bowling alley once in a while with his buddies.

A couple of years after high school my parents gifted me with the aforementioned bowling ball and case, and Randy and I would go bowling every once in a while – Randy also had his own ball, and his own shoes, too (I hadn't gotten serious enough to buy shoes, and still haven't). It wasn't too long before Randy started talking about the arrows and dots that are inlaid in each lane, and how to move the throwing hand from palm up to sideways (like shaking someone's hand), or palm down (for extra spin) and about a dozen other pointers.

I've had that same bowling ball for forty-some years. Thanks to the polishing cloth it still looks nearly new, except that it has a small chip or two missing (about a quarter-inch long) from some aggressive machines. It would probably be considered classic, from its finger-spacing, its composition, and weight – 16 pounds is probably a bit too much for "mature" bowlers.

It has been a few years since the last time I've been bowling, and probably more than a decade since I took my own ball to a bowling alley; I just use whatever balls they have available, which is why I'm vaguely aware that sometime over the last forty years the grip styles have shifted, and weights have diminished. The lane indicators haven't changed, though, so I still know where I prefer to stand, and I still think about those subtle shifts in the position of my feet and wrist and how I'd like my shoulder to move, and how hand follows eyes – or wants to.

Some folks might think bowling is as simple as rolling a ball toward some pins, then counting how many pins have fallen. And that's a simple-enough explanation – there is an action and there is a result. But as I learned decades ago there are considerations of location, preparation, repetition, and a dozen or more particular aspects of rolling a ball toward some pins (and we haven't even mentioned being in the gutter).

Some people think that religion, or faith, is as simple as agreeing to a set of rules, and that following those rules will produce a divine, heavenly reward (and, like bowling, some people keep score). And that, too, is a simple-enough explanation – there is a belief and a result. Yet, like bowling, or most every other hobby, job, or activity, there are myriad considerations of how our beliefs and ethics are practiced, live, and shared, through acts of kindness, mercy, and hope. And our beliefs should definitely be used regularly, instead of staying tucked into a corner until we stub our toes looking for something.

Peace,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Regan".

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 2023

Miriam Gallagher
Gayle Johnson
Nancy Staples
Nick Thoni

Class of 2024

Susan Everts
Marji Raunikar
Mike Strange
Dale Wagner

Class of 2025

Mick Stuart
John Little
Durinda Walker
Mary Fisher

Clerk of Session: Karen Landon

RPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2022

Chris Henderson

Class of 2023

Jim Godfrey

Class of 2024

Tom Sisolak

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Lynne Payne - Moderator
Kit Van Nostrand—Home Member Care Coordinator
Ruth Ann Rinewalt—Hospital Care Coordinator
Dean Phillips – Hospital Care Coordinator
Jean Godfrey – Funeral Reception Coordinator
Jo VanOosterhout
Glenna Cleworth

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May, 2022

The Women's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church saw a need and came up with the solution. The year, 1922, the solution, the Birthday Offering. Going beyond their regular pledge, the women donated a penny for each year of their life. (or \$1.00 if they'd rather not reveal). This special offering is still going strong though the penny idea is long forgotten. It's still helping women and children today; feeding, nurturing, changing lives. This year we will sponsor two projects:

1. Iglesia Presbyterian Church in Lares, Puerto Rico. In 2017, Hurricane Maria ravaged the island. In 2020, dangerous earthquakes struck. A gathering place for those in need, monies will help upgrade facilities to handle the increased need for help providing food, water, and shelter.

2. McCleary House—Maine. During the pandemic, many families lost their homes or experienced months of homelessness. Monies will be used to renovate a house to provide transitional housing, a safe place to stay for a few months, get help and move forward again with their lives.

Donations can be given to your Circle leader or Jean Hadley.

June, 2022 Looking Back:

Spring Women's Retreat in April was the first held at the church. Being Earth Day Weekend, our theme was "For the Beauty of the Earth". After a Friday night of fellowship and fun, about forty five women gathered on Saturday to study God's plan for us. Emily Everts, a recent seminary graduate and child of the church, was our study leader. The scripture, Genesis 1 & 2, the Creation Story "In the Beginning". Here Moses explains the origin and purpose of the universe. As Emily led us through the story of creation, she planted seeds for thought and discussion.

What is our role in the creation of the world?

What does God require of us to do?

How are we doing?

What can we do better?

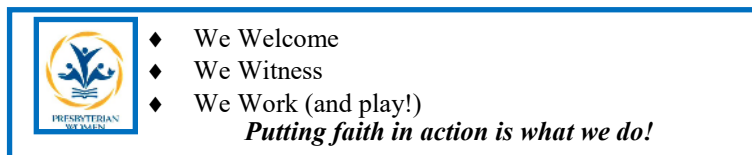
Emily reminded us this God of Creation was also the God of Salvation! What differs us from the other animals? We speak to God, listen, and respond.

After a delicious lunch, we made a craft item and closed with worship and communion. Thanks to Emily for her leadership and insights. Special thanks to the members of the planning committee who put in many, many hours as everything ran smoothly: Marsha West, Chairperson, Chris Shahan, Katrina Little, Beth Duncan, Nancy Marchant, Paula Sandford, Lilia Briseno and Allison Cleworth.

Just Bring It – June, 2022– Hope Farm Como—Breakfast bars for summer activities.

BIBLE STUDY - MISSION - FELLOWSHIP

All Women, Always Welcomed





Do you still have a star word floating around your house or office? Maybe it is tucked into a purse or wallet, or taped to the dashboard of the pickup? We chatted about them back in January, when we remembered the story of the wise men "from the east" who were following the star of Bethlehem.

I see mine numerous times through the day, because it is near the keyboard in my office. This year's star word has synonyms along the lines of profundity, intellect, and sharpness, yet the word can also be an expression of measurement or motion in a downward fashion (yes, I do enjoy my thesaurus!).

I share this as a way of encouragement in continued exploration and consideration of the star word you may have received a handful of months ago, and in the months to come before our next celebration of Epiphany. And if your star word has lost its shine and you'd like another, just say the word and we'll get one for you.



PER RIDGLEA SESSION, MARCH, 2022
MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE WORN IN RPC BUILDING
DURING ALL EVENTS.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR MASKS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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

RPC YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

Is your family looking forward to a happy, fun summer? The RPC Christian Ed team has been working on a schedule of events to help provide that!

The first event is Sunday, June 5 - hiking at the Fort Worth Nature Center. We will meet at the church at 9:00 and return by noon. Snacks and water will be provided. **Please let us know as soon as you can if your youth will join us.** Friends and family are also invited, just make sure we have all paperwork for them before the event day.

It has been proposed that the youth have a car wash. It is planned for **Saturday, July 16 from 10:00 am to noon** in the church parking lot. **Please let us know if that is something your kiddos would be interested in supporting.**

This is our tentative plan for the summer.

June 5	Fort Worth Nature Center Hike- during SS and worship
June 19	Donuts for Dads - during SS
July 3	no event planned
July 16	Youth Car Wash - Saturday
Aug 7	Arcade
Aug 21	Sunday School Rally Day
Sept 4	swimming at Little's
Sept 18	Opal's Farm

Contact Julie Ritz – 817-480-6002 or julieritz@sbcglobal.net
to sign-up or with questions.

Ridglea Presbyterian Women Council Mtg.

The Welman Project was not only our March JBI (with hundreds of pens, pencils and markers donated) but volunteers from Welman presented about their activities and goals at the **March 22 PWR General Meeting**. We learned about the valuable service they provide to teachers, schools and community nonprofits in ways that ignite creativity with environmental and social responsibility. And then for the fun and creative part: we made our own flowers from reused materials such as wallpaper, advertisements, greeting cards and buttons. These beautiful flowers helped to flower our cross on Easter Sunday, and were table decorations for our PWR Women's Retreat. Thanks to the Welman Project for all that you do!



Landscaping Update- Susan Maxwell Memorial

With the funds given in memory of Susan for landscaping, we were able to add some color and depth around the RPC sign. We had enough funds leftover to add two planters with Boxwoods for the front steps of the Sanctuary. What a wonderful tribute to Susan. Thank you to all who contributed.



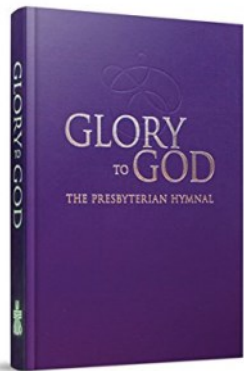
Come join the youth in appreciation of our Fabulous Fathers! Donuts For Dads during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, June 19th!



Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Sanctuary



We will officially receive the Pentecost Offering on June 5th and we have special offering envelopes available in the seat pockets. There are inserts for the Pentecost offering. This is one of the Special Offering of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is focused on children at risk, young adult volunteers, and ministries with youth. Forty percent of this offering will stay locally, and will be given to Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services.



The Worship Committee would like to say thank you to everyone who has contributed to our hymnal-donation process! We are well on our way, and may have already surpassed our initial goal of 100+ and we

will share additional information on our progress in the coming weeks. We are hoping to order the hymnals by the end of this month.



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 distribuion 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.

PWR WOMEN'S RETREAT APRIL, 2022



Friday night and all day Saturday the women of RPC & guests gathered for a retreat led by our own Emily Everts. We wrestled with the Creation Story to discern what God was telling us about our responsibility to Earth. We shared environmentally friendly actions some of us were already taking and learned about new opportunities. We created bee watering stations and considered our dependence on all of nature. We sang songs and hymns led by the talented Robyn Reid. As important as all of this were the wonderful times of fun and fellowship. This was the first time in two years we held the retreat in person. While we were grateful for our Zoom experiences, everyone agreed that in person was a way better way because hugs work better in person. Thanks to all who came and made this a time we will always remember.



June "Just Bring It"
Hope Farm Como is in need of breakfast bars for their summer programs.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER



Dan Mouton

We are happy and delighted to welcome Dan to Ridglea Presbyterian church. He was born in Kansas and moved to Vallejo, CA. Joined the Air Force after High School and served for 25 years as a Medical Technician, specialist in Independent Duty. He spent 4 years in Korea where he met his wife of 52 years. After the service, Dan spent another 25 years working as a crating engineer for a company that manufactured foam products & corrugated boxes. He retired at 70 and he and his wife live in River Oaks. He was baptized at John Knox Presbyterian Church at the age of 23 and maintained his membership until they closed. He moved his membership to another church. Dan was led to Ridglea Presbyterian Church from his interactions with Roger at the John Knox coffee klatch gathering. His hobby is wood working where he has built most of the furniture in his home. Even though he has basically closed his wood shop, he stays active maintaining everything around the house.

**Remember Our
Home Members**



We are asking for you to send any of our treasured home members a card. Please call Jane Johnson at 817-307-9776 to get names and addresses. Let them know that you are thinking about them.



The Jam Sessions for June will be on Monday, the 13th and the 27th 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!

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 6, 2022

Ministry Teams meetings

1st Tuesday of the Month

June 7, 2022

- Outreach Team: Focus on Mission

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

2nd Wednesday of the Month

June 8, 2022

- Commitment Focus on Guests

Katrina Little, Chair (as needed)

1st Tuesday of the Month

June 7, 2022

Ministry Team meeting at 10:00 a.m.

- Board of Deacons: Focus on Members

Jane Johnson (as needed)

1st Wednesday of the Month

June 8, 2022

- 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 14, 2022

Ministry Teams meeting

- Christian Education: *Julie Ritz, Chair*

(6:15 pm)

- Fellowship Team: *Gayle Johnson, Chair; Butch Saxton, Vice Chair*

(as needed)

2nd Thursday week prior to

Session Meeting week

Ministry Team meeting

- Finance & Budget, *Reeve Van Nostrand (6:00 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 8, 2022

Ministry Teams meeting

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

June, 2022 Birthdays



Abigail Dearman	6	2
Mac Zimmerman	6	4
Walker 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 Stubbenman	6	23
Kathy Braudway	6	25
Isabel Quintero	6	26
Melissa Quintero	6	26
Jose Quintero	6	27
Frank Delulio	6	30
Bruce Sandford	6	30

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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**The next
 newsletter
 deadline
 will be June 16,
 2022 at noon.**