



RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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MARCH 2025

(US and Canada)

Topic: Ridglea Worship Service

Time: 10:30 AM Central Time

March	2, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
March	5, 2025	6:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday
March	9, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
March	16, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
March	23, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
March	30, 2025	10:30 a.m.	

Join Zoom Meeting

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We will celebrate the sacrament of Communion Sunday morning, March 2, 2025



March 5, 2025

Lent Begins Ash Wednesday

Join us for soup dinner, sacrament of communion and imposition of ashes.

ECLECTIC CAFE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

March 2, Marsha West will lead the discussion of From the Wound of Job.

From March 9-April 13 we'll have a Lenten Study called Final Words led by Johanna Jones, Marsha West, and Judy Humphrey.

Easter is April 20, and the Eclectic class will not meet.

After Easter on April 27, we'll go back to our study of Wisdom for several Sundays.

We hope many of you will join us.

Eclectic Café Zoom meeting ID: 915 2396 5224

Password is Eclectic.

"THE GATHERING"

The Gathering, our multigenerational Sunday school class led by Paul Duncan, is conducting a DVD lesson series on the Book of Proverbs. The DVD lessons are short to allow plenty of time for discussion. All are welcome to attend!

SESSION MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON
MARCH 20, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.



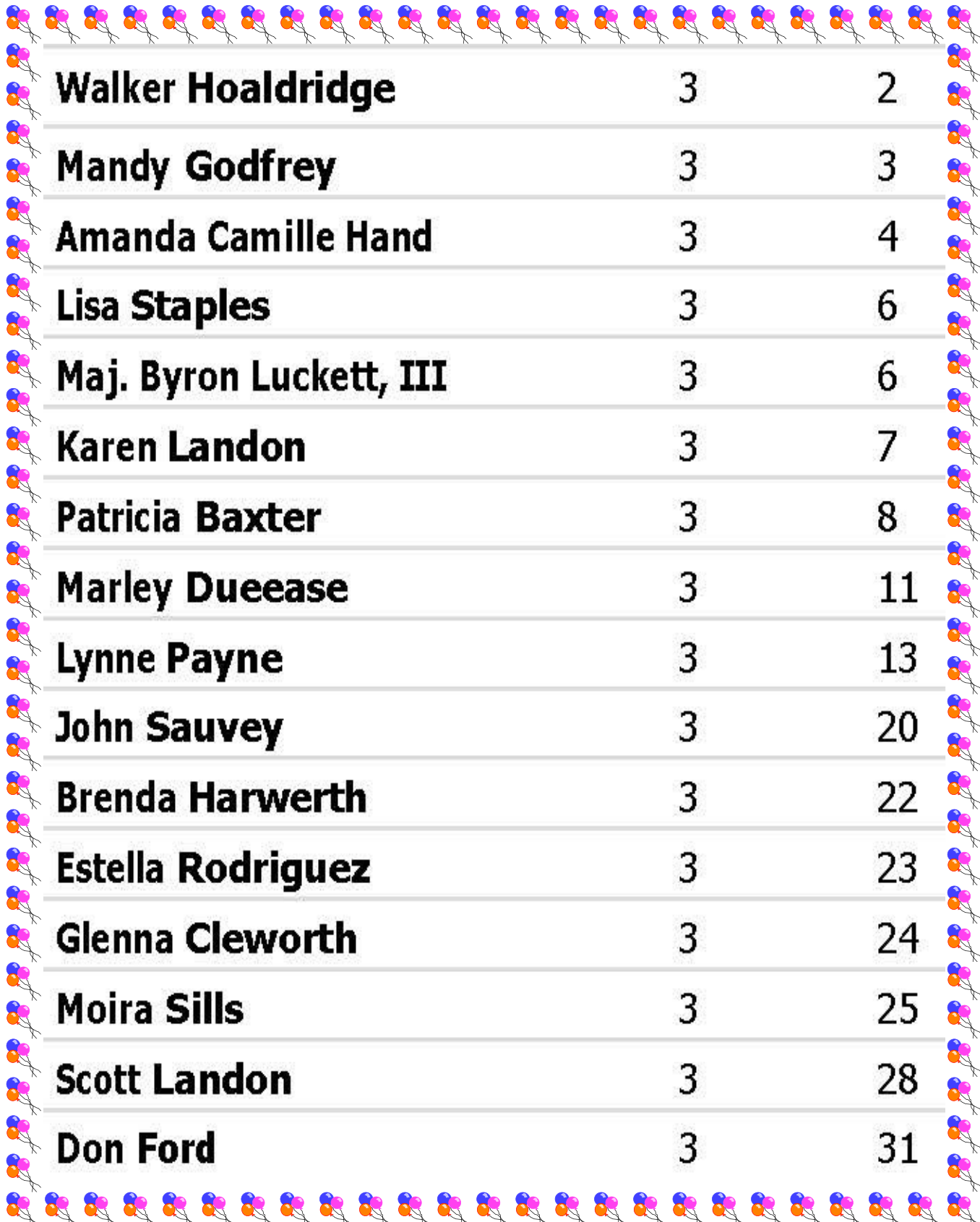
Mission/Vision statement

Following our Savior's example, Ridglea Presbyterian Church strives to perform acts of compassion and inclusivity in our daily lives while seeking to grow in spirit and hope.

MARCH NEWSLETTERS
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 2025



Walker Hoaldrige	3	2
Mandy Godfrey	3	3
Amanda Camille Hand	3	4
Lisa Staples	3	6
Maj. Byron Lockett, III	3	6
Karen Landon	3	7
Patricia Baxter	3	8
Marley Dueease	3	11
Lynne Payne	3	13
John Sauvey	3	20
Brenda Harwerth	3	22
Estella Rodriguez	3	23
Glenna Cleworth	3	24
Moira Sills	3	25
Scott Landon	3	28
Don Ford	3	31

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 2025

Mary Fisher
John Little
Mick Stuart
Durinda Walker

Class of 2026

Beth Duncan
Shiryl Gillaspie
George Tischler
Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2027

Paul Morrison
Marji Raunikar
Mary Beth Sisolak-Wagner
Becky Williamson

Clerk of Session: Karen Landon

RPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2025

Tom Sisolak

Class of 2026

Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2027

Paul Morrison

2024-2025 RPC DEACONS

Lynne Payne - Moderator
Kit Van Nostrand—Home Member Care Coordinator
Jean Godfrey – Funeral Reception Coordinator
Jo VanOosterhout
Glenna Cleworth
Diane Keller

RPC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 2025

Ken Kibler

Class of 2026

Gordon Ramsey

Class of 2027

Nancy Staples

Class of 2028

Walter Ducease

Designee

Shiryl Thompson Gillaspie

Staff

Roger Harwerth, Pastor

Patricia Taber, Office Manager

John Sauvey, Director of Music Ministries

Maritza Caceres, Organist

Emily Everts, Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator

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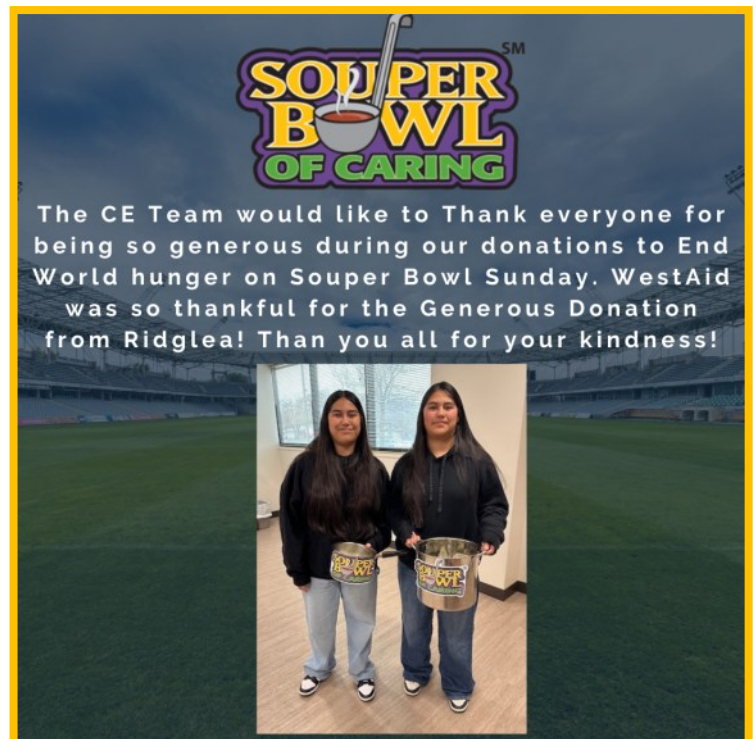
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YOUTH FUN AND FELLOWSHIP FEBRUARY, 2025



Parents Day Out

2/15/25



The CE Team would like to Thank everyone for being so generous during our donations to End World hunger on Souper Bowl Sunday. WestAid was so thankful for the Generous Donation from Ridglea! Than you all for your kindness!

YOUTH...RPC Sunday School 9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m.

Children and Youth  **March 2025** **Calendar**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 	15 Messengers Cookie making 1 pm - 2:30 pm
16 Fellowship Luncheon 	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18	19	20	21	22
23 Kickball 11:30 -1 pm 	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

THE CHILDREN & YOUTH
ARE INVITED TO

Come Play Kickball

Sunday, March 23, 2025
From 11:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch will be provided

Please contact Emily if you
have any questions or concerns



The Messengers are invited to
come bake St. Patrick's day
cookies!



**SATURDAY
MARCH 15 TH
1 -2:30 PM**

Please contact Emily if you have any
questions or concerns.



Matthew 25 Action Team Spring Activities

Matthew 25 Bible Study
For prayer and reflection



On February 6, we watched PICTURE A SCIENTIST about the issues facing women scientists at Movies at the Modern. It was really informative and surprising. The next movie will be April 3, but the name is not posted yet. I'm afraid the City may be facing some push-back because this falls under their diversity, equity, and inclusion work. Fingers crossed that The Modern isn't forced to stop these wonderful, inspiring, movies.

RITI Room in the Inn On Friday, February 6 several of us provided supper for seven guests who are homeless at Ridglea Christian Church. They get a warm meal, to shower, to wash their clothes, a warm bed and breakfast the next morning before they return on Saturday. That was RCC's last evening until summer when we will have more opportunities to serve. Watch this space for dates and times.

Quail Trail opportunities in February are: Friday, February 21 9:15 am to help with the TAFB distribution and Tuesday, February 25 for the Birthday Celebration at 11 am. March dates to come.

On Tuesday March 25 at Book Club we'll discuss HOW WE LEARN TO BE BRAVE by Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde. Karen Landon will be our leader.

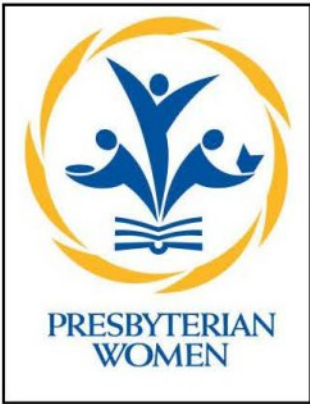
We will gather in April though not with a book study. On Tuesday, April 29, we will have as a guest the Reverend Laura Walters, Coordinator of Community Engagement and Public Witness for Grace Presbytery. We'll be talking about how RPC could develop an antiracist policy, which would need Session's involvement and ultimate approval. But since our Matthew 25 Action Team has been looking at this issue for a while, we seemed to be a good place to start this discussion.

Tuesday, May 27 we'll discuss THE SIRENS CALL: How Attention Became the World's Most Endangered Resource by Chris Hayes. Melissa Burkhardt will lead this book study.

If you have other books you'd like us to consider, please email me: mwest7012@sbcglobal.net

Whether you've ever attended any of our activities before, we hope you will consider joining us in any of these efforts to serve the "least of these." You would be most welcome.

Marsha West



Circle Meeting Times:

Circle 1: March 8th at Church (Fish Classroom) 10:30 a.m.

Circle 2: March 8th at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 10:30 a.m.

Circle 3: March 1st at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 6:30 p.m.

Just Bring It –March 2025: We are collecting sack lunch items for students participating in after-school extra-curricular activities: chewy granola bars, fruit snacks, peanut butter/cheese crackers, and regular dinner napkins for Cougar Pride Alliance, which benefits students at Western Hills High School (and its feeder schools). Cougar Pride Alliance began as an alumni group, and is now affiliated with LVTRise, the Las Vegas Trail Revitalization Project,

a collaboration and partnership of private companies, human service organizations and government agencies dedicated to helping residents of the Las Vegas Trail area improve their neighborhood and day-to-day lives. PWR is also collecting items for WestAid and the Presbyterian Night Shelter Quail Trail Apartments on an ongoing basis: toiletry items (shampoo, soap, deodorant, wet wipes, etc.), sanitary products, & pet food. Please place items in the labeled box located near the office.

Looking Ahead:

March 25th: PWR General Meeting – Join us at 10:30 a.m. for a Fresh Herbs Presentation from Sheryl Whited, Tarrant County Master Gardener with the Garden Club Council of Ft. Worth.

March 28th-29th: RPC Annual Women's Retreat at Inn on the River, Glen Rose. The theme is "Unplug to Recharge," focusing on Psalm 46:10 – "Be still and know that I am God." Registration deadline is March 9th, and payment is due by March 17th.

June 6th, 7th, 8th: Mo-Ranch Women's Conference. Contact Karen Landon if you are interested in attending (karenlandon2010@gmail.com). Cost is \$425 each; carpooling available from RPC.

At the February PWR General Meeting, Emily Everts, RPC Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator, shared information about her journey on the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James), an extensive network of ancient pilgrim routes stretching across Europe and coming together at the shrine of the apostle James in the cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in northwest Spain, where tradition holds that the remains of the apostle are buried.





The 2025 Flower

Calendar is posted in the Narthex if you wish to celebrate, honor or remember a special person, date or occasion, Please sign up as the spaces fill up pretty quickly.




Ridglea Presbyterian 2025 Scholarship Application

Ridglea Presbyterian offers scholarships for all levels from Associate to Doctorates. Applications for 2025 will be open from February 3, 2025 to April 15, 2025.

We received 132 bears during Service of Worship on February 26th, 2025, and dedicated them for the on-going ministries of Cook Children's Hospital. **Many thanks to all who helped out with this annual project!!**

This QR code (for phone apps) will direct people to our Realm portal for online giving; a Realm account will need to be created, though it is very simple to do.



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.



We need ushers, communion servers, and liturgists for Sundays during the 2024 year of worship. Please volunteer to help with the Sunday morning worship service. Also, if you signed up for a particular Sunday and something comes up, please contact Durinda Walker at 817-229-9880 in order to fill those positions.

Sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49a4ae2ea3f85-ushers1>

Remember Our Home Members



On the first and second Sunday of each month, beautiful note cards will be available for RPC members to send to our "Home" members. Following worship service, these cards will be in white baskets in the Narthex on a first come basis.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH



The RPC Women are collecting quarters in the Narthex after service every second Sunday of the month to assist Westaid.



The Jam Sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday 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!

Are you interested in membership at Ridglea Presbyterian Church? Contact Pastor Roger for all the deets and FAQ's.



a new church for you to call home

RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Wednesday mornings
8:30 a.m.

Central Market– Upstairs

The men's prayer breakfast has been a vital part of Ridglea's mission and ministry for decades. We enjoy a hearty breakfast and pray for people and events around the world.

Plans are underway for attending the Mo-Ranch Women's Conference June 6-8, 2025. Contact Karen Landon if you are interested in joining us this year (karenlandon2010@gmail.com).



Save the Date

March 28-29, 2025

Theme: Unplug to Recharge

Annual RPC Women's Retreat

Where: Inn on the River - Glen Rose

Verse: Psalms 46:10

"Be still, and know that I am God!"



See details and register on Realm for these upcoming events:

Event:	Date:	Register By:	Information:
March Fellowship Fellowship Luncheon	March 16th	Wednesday March 12th	Loaded Baked Potatoes
Granbury Dinner & Theater Outing	March 22nd	Sunday, March 16th	Best Little "Warehouse"

Mark your calendars for events coming soon:

(We'll let you know when registration opens on Realm)



Event: Dinner With Friends	Date: April 5th
No Fellowship Luncheon	April 20 Easter Sunday Light breakfast before Worship

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

- 1. FIND YOUR PASSION**
- 2. FIND YOUR TEAM/COMMITTEE**
- 3. IDENTIFY YOUR MEETING NIGHT**
- 4. GET INVOLVED!**

2nd Sunday of the Month
March 9, 2025 **11:45 a.m.**
Board of Deacons: Focus on Members
Lynne Payne, Moderator

2nd Tuesday of the Month
March 11, 2025 **6:15 p.m.**
Christian Education: Focus on Learning and Growing
Mary Beth Wagner, Chair

1st Tuesday of the Month
March 4, 2025 **7:00 p.m. & Zoom**
Fellowship Team: Focus on Social Gatherings
Beth Duncan, Chair

2nd Wednesday of the Month
March 12, 2025 **6:30 p.m.**
Building & Equipment :
Focus on Physical Structures
George Tischler, Chair

1st Wednesday of the Month
March 5, 2025 **5:30 p.m.**
Worship Team:
Focus on Sunday & Special Services
Durinda Walker, Chair

2nd Wednesday of the Month
March 12, 2025 **5:30 p.m.**
Commitment Team: Focus on Guests
John Little, Chair

1st Thursday of the Month
March 6, 2025 **6:00 p.m.**
Personnel: Focus on Staff Support
Mick Stuart, Chair

2nd Thursday
(week prior to Session Meeting)
6:00 p.m. - Zoom
Finance & Budget: Focus on Stewardship
Reeve Van Nostrand, Chair

2nd Tuesday of the Month
March 11, 2025 **6:00 p.m.**
Outreach Team: Focus on Mission
Marji Raunikar, Chair

3rd Thursday of the Month
March 20, 2025
7:00 p.m.—RPC Sanctuary & Zoom
Session Meeting
Pastor Roger Harwerth, Moderator

AV Team
Contact: Nancy Staples

Clerk of Session
Karen Landon



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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The next
newsletter
deadline
will be
March 19, 2025
at noon.