



RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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OCTOBER, 2025

(US and Canada)

Topic: Ridglea Worship Service

Time: 10:30 AM Central Time

October 5, 2025	10:30 a.m.	Communion
October 12, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
October 19, 2025	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Luncheon
October 26, 2025	10:30 a.m.	

Join Zoom Meeting

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ECLECTIC CAFE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS **Eclectic Café Zoom meeting ID: 915 2396 5224**

We have started a study called Sealed in Christ, looking at the symbolism behind the Presbyterian symbol. Lynne Payne is teaching that study, which will last 2 more Sundays. Look forward to seeing everyone. All are welcome.

"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!

OCTOBER NEWSLETTERS
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

SESSION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
OCTOBER 16, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.

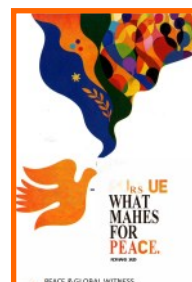


**We will celebrate the
sacrament of Communion
Sunday morning,
October 5, 2025**



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.



We will be receiving the
Peace and Global
Witness Special Offering
from through October 5,
2025.



Jim Godfrey	10	2
Jim Cleworth	10	4
John Little	10	4
Laura Campbell	10	5
Izaiah Rodriguez	10	6
Allison Cleworth	10	7
Thomas Rodriguez	10	7
Anthony Neyland	10	7
Marilyn Curtis	10	12
Lorane Rea	10	12
Helen Lockett	10	14
Sam Thomas	10	16
Steve Baker	10	18
Jean Comer	10	19
Sandra Howeth	10	25
Gary Shank	10	26
Gordon Marchant	10	28
Glenda Long	10	28
Paula Sandford	10	28



**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR RPC MEN
WHO RE-STRIPED OUR PARKING LOT.
WHAT A GREAT JOB!!!**

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 2026

Beth Duncan
Shiryl Gillaspie
George Tischler
Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2027

Paul Morrison
Marji Raunikar
Mary Beth Sisolak-Wagner
Becky Williamson

Class of 2028

Mark Gottschalk
Ryan Keating
Jody Maas
Marsha West

Clerk of Session: Karen Landon

RPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2026

Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2027

Paul Morrison

Class of 2028

Jim Godfrey

2025-2026 RPC DEACONS

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

RPC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 2025

Ken Kibler

Class of 2026

Gordon Ramsey

Class of 2027

Nancy Staples

Class of 2028

Walter Dueease

Designee

Shiryl Thompson Gillaspie

Staff

Roger Harwerth, Pastor
Patricia Taber, Office Manager
John Sauvey, Director of Music Ministries
Dr. Maritza Caceres, Organist
Emily Everts, Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator
Caroline Maas, Pianist

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YOUTH FELLOWSHIP



Youth Haunted
HOUSE

OCTOBER 11TH

JUNKYARD HAUNTED HOUSE
2423 CHESTER STREET, FORT WORTH

7:30 PM - 9:00ISH PM | \$25 ADMISSION

WE WILL MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 7:30 PM
SATURDAY OCTOBER 11TH AND LOAD UP THE
BUS. PICK UP BACK AT CHURCH AROUND
9ISH. FAMILIES WELCOME TO JOIN.
PLEASE BRING 25\$ CASH
RSVP TO EMILY BUT FRIDAY OCTOBER 9TH.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS
PLEASE REACH OUT TO EMILY.

The Messengers
are invited to

**MOVIE NIGHT
IN THE
BOTANIC GARDEN**

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER
12TH
7 - 9 PM**

**FORT WORTH
BOTANIC GARDEN
3220 Botanic Garden
Blvd, Fort Worth**

Join us with your family for a special screening of Coco, a family friendly animated movie inspired by the Mexican holiday Día de los Muertos. The movie screening will start at 7 p.m., but we recommend arriving earlier to secure your spot in the Garden. The movie will take place in the Adelaide Polk Fuller Garden.

Tickets are \$5 for up to a family of 4.
Please RSVP to Emily by Wednesday October 8th so Emily can make arrangements for the tickets.



TOP GOLF
SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



Log Cabin
Village
9/27/25





PARKING - We are using the grass field behind the basketball goal for overflow parking when our main lot fills to capacity. Feel free to park there, but if you see the front row becoming near full, please leave the end spots open so others may pull in and start a second row in the grass. Thanks!



L-R Pastor Roger Harwerth, PWR Moderator Becky Williamson, Ryan Keating, Marsha West, Marji Raunikar, Clerk of Session Karen Landon, Sheryl Gillaspie, Paul Morrison, Mary Beth Wagner, Beth Duncan, George Tischler, Reeve Van Nostrand, Jody Maas, Mark Gottschalk



October Just Bring It

We are collecting Thanksgiving food for WestAid food pantry: canned cranberries, canned yams, canned pumpkin, chicken broth, and packages of dressing (stuffing). PWR continues to collect items for WestAid and Quail Trail Apartments on an ongoing basis: toiletry items (shampoo, soap, deodorant, wet wipes, etc.), sanitary products, and pet food. Please place items in the labeled box.



COME JOIN US!
Dinner or Lunch With Friends

The Fellowship Committee is bringing some changes to Dinner With Friends. For 2025, we will coordinate Dinner With Friends once per quarter, on the following dates:

Saturday, January 4th
Saturday, April 5th
Saturday, July 12th
Saturday, October 4th

We are also looking at some ways to change up the format — so stay tuned.

Please remember, if you attended or hosted, send pictures to the church office for the Newsletter.



Circle Meeting Times:

Circle 1: October 14th at Church (Fish Classroom) 10:30 a.m.

Circle 2: October 14th at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 10:30 a.m.

Circle 3: October 7th at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 6:30 p.m.

*****New Presbyterian Women Circle members are ALWAYS welcome!***

Contact Becky Williamson at rebecca.fisher1@me.com for more information about joining one of our three PWR Circles.

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Looking Ahead:

October 18th: Grace Presbytery Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering – First Presbyterian Church, Grapevine. Ladies -- Talk amongst yourselves to get a group together to go!

October 28th: General Meeting – RPC members Chris Shahan and Jo Van Oosterhout will share their experience in June as citizen diplomats traveling to Bandung, Indonesia with Fort Worth Sister Cities. This trip commemorated 35 years of the Fort Worth/Bandung connection.

November: No PWR General Meeting this month due to Thanksgiving.

December 16th: General Meeting – Annual PWR Christmas Program & Potluck Luncheon

March 6-7, 2026: RPC PWR Annual Women's Retreat – Join us for fun, fellowship, learning, and worship at Moss Lake, near Gainesville. More information to come soon! ***Additional committee members are welcomed and needed. Please contact Kit Van Nostrand at kitvn@aol.com if you are interested in helping with this event.***

June 5-7, 2026: Mo Ranch Women's Conference – Mark your calendar!



PWR Honorary Life Member
Patricia Taber

Presented by Mac Zimmerman



2025-2026 PWR Officers

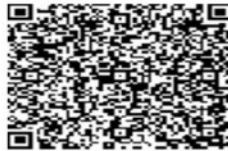
L-R: Debby Tennyson, Gleda Griffin, Becky Williamson, Julie Ritz, Jo VanOosterhout, Mac Zimmerman, Kit Van Nostrand, Thylis Chambless and Pastor Roger.



**See details and register on Realm
for these upcoming events:**

Event:	Date:	Register By:	Information:
Dinner With Friends	October 4, 2025	October 1, 2025	Please make your reservations on Realm
Fellowship Luncheon	October 19, 2025	October 15, 2025	

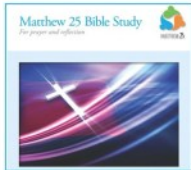
Mark your calendars for events coming soon:
(We'll let you know when registration opens on Realm)



Event:
Fellowship Luncheon

Date:
November 16, 2025
Theme: Friendsgiving

Mathew 25 Action Team



Movies That Matter at The Modern will take place on Thursday, Oct. 2. The title is The Disrupters. Some of us will eat supper first at McAllister's on Camp Bowie at 5:30. The movie begins at 7 and tickets are FREE, but

you need to go to [Movies That Matter Film Screening – Welcome to the City of Fort Worth](#)

Quail Trail: TAFB distribution will be on October 17 at 9am. Birthday celebrations at Quail Trail will be on November 25 as we move to a quarterly event with RPC providing a meal as well as the birthday cake and cards.

The next Matthew 25 Action Team Book Club will be MY DOCUMENTS by Kevin Nguyen with Johanna Jones leading the discussion. We will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 28.

All are welcome to take part in any of these activities.

"When you do it unto the least of these my brothers, you do it unto me." Matthew 25:40.

Marsha West

Matthew 25 Action Team Did You Know?

In 1954, a suburban Louisville, KY home was purchased by Anne Braden, on behalf of a Black couple, the house was bombed, and while no one was charged for the attack, Anne Braden was put on trial for sedition.

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 2025 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 Shiryl Thompson Gillaspie at 817-266-4171 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.



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.



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!

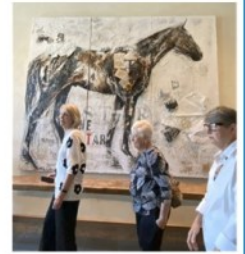
PWR Visit to the Bowie House



On Tuesday, September 23, 18 women of RPC attended the gallery showing at the Bowie House on Camp Bowie. Thanks so much to Julie Ritts for setting up this amazing opportunity.

The hotel is owned by Jo Ellard who also owns all the art. Both the hotel and the pieces of art are simply stunning and inspiring. All but a couple of the pieces are for sale. On Sunday afternoons 4-6 pm you can attend their Happy Hour and look at the hotel and art on your own. (Not this Sunday Oct. 28 because the whole hotel has been booked by a company.)

A delightful time was had by all. The pictures will show you why so many of us are planning a return visit.



The 2026 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.

**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
October 12, 2025 11:45 a.m.
Board of Deacons: Focus on Members
Lynne Payne, Moderator

2nd Tuesday of the Month
October 14, 2025 6:15 p.m.
Christian Education: Focus on Learning and Growing
Mary Beth Wagner, Chair

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

2nd Wednesday of the Month
October 8, 2025 6:30 p.m.
Focus on Physical Structures
George Tischler, Chair

1st Wednesday of the Month
October 1, 2025 5:30 p.m.
Worship Team:
Focus on Sunday & Special Services
Shiryl Gillaspie Thompson, Chair

2nd Wednesday of the Month
October 8, 2025 5:30 p.m.
Commitment Team: Focus on Guests
Marsha West, Chair

1st Thursday of the Month
October 2, 2025 6:00 p.m.
Personnel: Focus on Staff Support
Paul Morrison, 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
October 14 2025 6:00 p.m.
Outreach Team: Focus on Mission
Marji Raunikar, Chair

3rd Thursday of the Month
October 16, 2025
7:00 p.m.—RPC Sanctuary & Zoom
Session Meeting
Pastor Roger Harwerth, Moderator

AV Team
Contact: Nancy Staples

Clerk of Session
Karen Landon

Nominations Committee
Contact: Mary Beth Wagner



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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The next
newsletter
deadline
will be
October 22, 2025
at noon.