



# RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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MAY, 2026

**THERE WILL BE NO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER DURING THE SUMMER, JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST, AND WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER.**

Services of Worship are live streamed through the Ridglea Presbyterian Church Facebook page.

- May 3, 2026 10:30 a.m. Communion
- May 10, 2026 10:30 a.m.
- May 17, 2026 10:30 a.m.
- May 24, 2025 10:30 a.m. Pentecost Sunday  
Senior Recognition Sunday  
Fellowship Luncheon  
Memorial Day Weekend
- May 31, 2026 10:30 a.m.



**We will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion Sunday morning, May 3, June 7, July 5 and August 2, 2026**

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL

***Eclectic Café Zoom meeting ID: 915 2396 5224***  
**Password is Eclectic**

May 3, Marsha West will conclude the study of Chapter 6, God's Truth is Evolving, Not Stagnant from BEING PRESBYTERIAN IN A DYSVANGELICAL AMERICA, A Guide to Reclaiming the Good News of God's Grace written by Ted V. Foote, Jr. and Alex Thornburg.

May 10 & 17, Johanna Jones will lead the discussion of Chapter 7, Presbyterians are Reformed and Always Reforming.

May 24 Judy Humphrey, a Bible study.

May 31 & June 7 is chapter 8 "Democracy -- Not Authoritarian" with Marsha West leading.

We look forward to seeing everyone. All are welcome.

## **"THE GATHERING"**

The Gathering, our multigenerational Sunday school class, led by Paul Duncan, is conducting an ongoing study of Psalms. All are welcome to attend!

### **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.

SESSION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm

MAY NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

# APRIL, 2026 FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON



**Outreach Opportunity: Join the RPC Volunteers at Quail Trail Apartments!**  
We assist with food bank distribution on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month.  
No heavy lifting involved! Contact Lynne Payne for more information.



# 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)

| <b>RPC SESSION</b>   |                          |                      |
|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Class of 2026</u> | <u>Class of 2027</u>     | <u>Class of 2028</u> |
| Beth Duncan          | Paul Morrison            | Mark Gottschalk      |
| Shiryl Gillaspie     | Marji Raunikar           | Ryan Keating         |
| George Tischler      | Mary Beth Sisolak-Wagner | Jody Maas            |
| Reeve Van Nostrand   | Becky Williamson         | Marsha West          |

*Clerk of Session: Karen Landon*

| <b>RPC TRUSTEES</b>  |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Class of 2026</u> | <u>Class of 2027</u> | <u>Class of 2028</u> |
| Reeve Van Nostrand   | Paul Morrison        | Jim Godfrey          |

| <b>2025-2026 RPC DEACONS</b>                  |
|---|
| Lynne Payne - Moderator                       |
| Kit Van Nostrand—Home Member Care Coordinator |
| Jean Godfrey – Funeral Reception Coordinator  |
| Glenna Cleworth                               |
| Jane Johnson                                  |
| Diane Keller                                  |
| Jo VanOosterhout                              |

| <b>RPC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b> |                      |                      |                      |                           |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Class of 2026</u>                     | <u>Class of 2027</u> | <u>Class of 2028</u> | <u>Class of 2028</u> | <u>Designee</u>           |
| Gordon Ramsey                            | Nancy Staples        | Walter Ducease       | Ken Kibler           | Shiryl Thompson Gillaspie |

| <b><u>Staff</u></b>                                     |  |
|---|--|
| Roger Harwerth, Pastor                                  | <a href="mailto:roger@ridgleapres.org">roger@ridgleapres.org</a>       |
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| John Sauvey, Director of Music Ministries               | <a href="mailto:john@ridgleapres.org">john@ridgleapres.org</a>         |
| Dr. Maritza Caceres, Organist                           | <a href="mailto:mcacereshb@gmail.com">mcacereshb@gmail.com</a>         |
| Caroline Maas, Pianist                                  | <a href="mailto:carolineamaas@gmail.com">carolineamaas@gmail.com</a>   |
| Emily Everts, Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator | <a href="mailto:emily@ridgleapres.org">emily@ridgleapres.org</a>       |

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# YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**      *May 2026*      **CALANDER**

| SUNDAY                                 | MONDAY | TUESDAY                    | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                                       | FRIDAY                            | SATURDAY                 |
|--|--------|----------------------------|-----------|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
|  |        |                            |           |  | 1                                 | 2                        |
| 3 <b>Pottery Painting 12-2 pm</b>      | 4      | 5                          | 6         | 7  | 8                                 | 9                        |
| 10                                     | 11     | 12                         | 13        | 14   | 15                                | 16                       |
| 17                                     | 18     | 19                         | 20        | 21 <b>Aledo &amp; FWAFA Last Day of School</b> | 22                                | 23                       |
| 24 <b>Senior Sunday &amp; Luncheon</b> | 25     | 26 <b>FWAFA Graduation</b> | 27        | 28   | 29 <b>CTH Last Day of School</b>  | 30 <b>CTH Graduation</b> |
| 31                                     | 1      | 2                          | 3         | 4  | 5 <b>FWISD Last Day of School</b> | 6                        |

**THE YOUTH ARE INVITED TO**

# PAINT POTTERY



**SUNDAY MAY 3<sup>RD</sup> 12PM - 2PM**  
**QUIGGLY'S CLAYHOUSE @ 5276 HULEN ST**

AFTER THE SERVICE WE WILL LOAD UP THE BUS AND HEAD TO CENTRAL MARKET FOR LUNCH. AFTERWARDS WE WILL HEAD TO QUIGGLY'S CLAYHOUSE AND PAINT SOME POTTERY. PLEASE BRING 15\$ FOR THE ACTIVITY.

PLEASE REACH OUT TO EMILY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

JOIN US FOR

# GRADUATION SUNDAY

**MAY 24TH**

DURING THE SERVICE WE WILL RECOGNIZE OUR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND CELEBRATE THEM GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL WITH A FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON DIRECTLY FOLLOWING THE SERVICE





# BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

WILL HAPPEN DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE ON SUNDAY  
AUGUST 9TH, 2026

## REMINDER

THERE IS NO SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH DURING THE SUMMER. SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL START BACK UP ON AUGUST 16TH!

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!  
RALLY DAY WILL BE AUGUST 9TH!



INTERGENERATIONAL CHURCH-WIDE

# Rally Day 2026

SUNDAY • AUGUST • 9TH • 9:15-10:15

JOIN US FOR A FUN MORNING OF MUSIC, FELLOWSHIP, AND WORSHIP!!  
IT'S TIME WE GET EXCITED ABOUT ALL RIDGLEA HAS TO OFFER!





### Granbury Theater and Dinner

Attend "Legally Blonde" at the Granbury Opera House followed by dinner (dutch treat) at a nearby restaurant.

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2026 1:00 pm - 6:30 pm

1pm: Meet at RPC if you reserved a seat on the bus. If you are driving to Granbury, meet at the Granbury Opera House at 1:45pm.

2pm: Matinee theater performance at Granbury Opera House  
(Pay for your theater ticket on Realm)

approximately 4:30pm: Dinner at a nearby restaurant (dutch treat)

Church bus will return to RPC parking lot after dinner.

Registrants can bring named guests

Deadline to register is June 1, 2026

*Many thanks to the Cub Scouts for their time on Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup> helping enhance our landscape. A group of young boys and girls spent Tuesday night planting new plants, pulling weeds, laying new mulch and other work. They were very enthusiastic and worked so well together. We appreciate their time and dedication to our church. We are so blessed to have the Cub Scouts at RPC.*

*RPC Landscaping Team*

## Mathew 5 Action Team



**On Friday, April 24,** we celebrated birthdays at New Journey Camp Bowie with a great chicken spaghetti lunch. Birthday cards and Walmart GC were distributed. We met the wonderful residents who live there and look forward to going back in August for our quarterly celebration.

**The Tuesday, April 28** Book Club meeting was canceled because of the bad weather. We will do both sections of the book on **May 19<sup>th</sup> (Not our regular Tuesday)** Melissa Burkhead will lead the discussion of **WHO IS GOVERNMENT? The Untold Story of PUBLIC SERVICE**, edited by Michael Lewis. You will receive some questions to look at over the first half of the book, which we would've discussed this past Tuesday night. Please come whether you've read the book or not.

All are welcome at any of these events.  
Thanks for all you do for the "least of these."  
Marsha



## HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

|  |   |    |
|--|---|----|
| <b>Johnny Haenes</b>                   | 5 | 3  |
| <b>Bill Long</b>                       | 5 | 3  |
| <b>Luanne Morrison</b>                 | 5 | 9  |
| <b>Dick Rinewalt</b>                   | 5 | 10 |
| <b>Rosemary Everts</b>                 | 5 | 11 |
| <b>Katrina Little</b>                  | 5 | 13 |
| <b>George Tischler</b>                 | 5 | 16 |
| <b>Kevin Ballard</b>                   | 5 | 17 |
| <b>Bradford (Ford) Tennyson Beeson</b> | 5 | 19 |
| <b>Ruth Ann Rinewalt</b>               | 5 | 20 |
| <b>Burt Chance</b>                     | 5 | 21 |
| <b>Ryan Keating</b>                    | 5 | 22 |
| <b>Susan Everts</b>                    | 5 | 23 |
| <b>Jane Blair</b>                      | 5 | 23 |
| <b>Gayle Johnson</b>                   | 5 | 23 |
| <b>Alex Stutheit</b>                   | 5 | 25 |
| <b>Jack Henderson</b>                  | 5 | 25 |
| <b>Jae Medlin</b>                      | 5 | 26 |
| <b>Jody Maas</b>                       | 5 | 27 |
| <b>Gerry Curtis</b>                    | 5 | 28 |
| <b>Cathy Johnson</b>                   | 5 | 28 |
| <b>Sharon (Sue) Guthrie</b>            | 5 | 28 |
| <b>Frank Everts</b>                    | 5 | 31 |



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

| Event:                                   | Date:               | Register By:          | Information:             |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Dinner/Lunch with Friends</b>         | <b>May 2, 2026</b>  | <b>April 29, 2026</b> | <b>Register on Realm</b> |
| <b>Mother's Day</b>                      | <b>May 10, 2026</b> |                       |                          |
| <b>Fellowship Luncheon</b>               | <b>May 24, 2026</b> | <b>May 20, 2026</b>   | <b>Register on Realm</b> |
| <b>Theme:<br/>RPC Senior Recognition</b> |                     |                       |                          |

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



| Event:   | Date:                |
|--|----------------------|
| <b>June Fellowship Luncheon</b>  | <b>June 14, 2026</b> |
| <b>Father's Day</b>  | <b>June 21, 2026</b> |
| <b>Granbury Outing -<br/>Granbury Opera House<br/>"Legally Blonde"</b> | <b>June 27, 2026</b> |



**COME JOIN US!**  
Dinner or Lunch With Friends

The Fellowship Committee is bringing some changes to Dinner (or Lunch) with Friends. For 2026, we will coordinate Dinner (or Lunch) with Friends once per quarter, on the following dates:

- Saturday, May 2, 2026
- Saturday, August 1, 2026
- Saturday, November 7, 2026

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

**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.

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](mailto:r.rinewalt@att.net).



We need ushers, communion servers, and liturgists for Sundays during the 2026 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>



Beginning the 29th of April through May 13, there will be no Men's Prayer breakfast meeting at Central Market. They will resume on May 20, 2026.



**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!

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

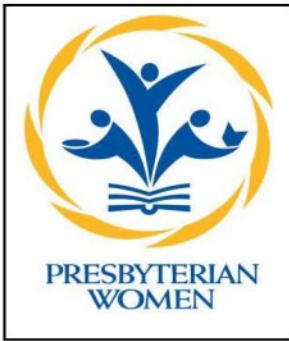
a new church for you to call home

RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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.**



**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!**



**Circle Meeting Times:**

- Circle 1: May 12<sup>th</sup> at Church (Fish Classroom) 10:30 a.m.
- Circle 2: May 12<sup>th</sup> at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 10:30 a.m.
- Circle 3: May 5<sup>th</sup> at Church (Eclectic Classroom) 6:30 p.m.

**Just Bring It – May 2026:** We are collecting Play-Doh (4 oz), glue sticks, and pens for The Warm Place. The Warm Place is a grief support center for children and teens that provides a safe, compassionate space for children and their families grieving the death loss of a loved one. PWR continues to collect items for WestAid and Quail Trail Apartments on an ongoing basis: toiletry items (shampoo, soap, deodorant, wet wipes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.), women’s sanitary products, and pet food. Please place items in the labeled box near the office.

**Looking Ahead:**

**May 26<sup>th</sup>:** RPC General Meeting – End-of-Year PWR Potluck and Game Day! Don’t miss it!  
**August 25<sup>th</sup>:** PW Luncheon at First Presbyterian Church – Featured speaker Dr. Sarah Leer, who wrote the study questions in our next PW Bible study “United Through Christ. Bound to Each Other.”

**Luncheon Details:**

- \*First Presbyterian Church
- \*1000 Penn Street 76102
- \*Shuttle Parking is available
- \*Refreshments at 10:00 am
- \*Program begins at 10:30 am
- \*Bring 2025-2026 study book (if you have one by that date)
- \*Lunch will be served at noon
- \*Cost is \$15 per person
- \*Registration is required
- \*Use QR Code to register
- \*Questions? Email [dallen@fpcfw.org](mailto:dallen@fpcfw.org) OR call Deneice Allen at 817-335-1231 extension 261
- \*Register by Friday, August 15

FIRST PRES WOMEN & HORIZONS  
**BIBLE STUDY**  
*luncheon*  
**UNITED IN CHRIST**  
*Bound To Each Other*  
 Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians  
 Guest Speaker: Dr. Sarah Leer  
 Explore Paul's call to unity, love, and life together in Christ... Even in times of conflict.  
**August 25 | 10 a.m.**  
 Great Hall | First Pres Fort Worth  
 For more info visit, [fpcfw.org/pw](http://fpcfw.org/pw)  
 SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

**Ridglea Presbyterian Members:**  
 On behalf of the Cougar Pride Alliance, thank you for your donation of 5634 napkins, 1298 fruit snacks, 1220 granola bars, and 1116 packages of snack crackers. We appreciate your continued support of the students At Western Hills High School.  
 --Patty Pressley, Executive Director

**PWR JUST BRING IT - MAY, 2026**

The Warm Place  
 We are collecting country time lemonade, 33 gallon trash bags, play-doh (4 oz), paper plates, wash tape, glue sticks and pens.

**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**  
**May 10, 2026 11:45 a.m.**  
**Board of Deacons: Focus on Members**  
**Lynne Payne, Moderator**

**2nd Tuesday of the Month**  
**May 12, 2026 6:15 p.m.**  
**Christian Education: Focus on Learning and Growing**  
**Mary Beth Wagner, Chair**

**1st Tuesday of the Month**  
**May 5, 2026 7:00 p.m. & Zoom**  
**Fellowship Team:**  
**Focus on Social Gatherings**  
**Beth Duncan, Chair**

**2nd Wednesday of the Month**  
**May 13, 2026 6:30 p.m.**  
**Building and Equipment**  
**Focus on Physical Structures**  
**George Tischler, Chair**

**1st Wednesday of the Month**  
**May 6, 2026 5:30 p.m.**  
**Worship Team:**  
**Focus on Sunday & Special Services**  
**Shiryl Gillaspie Thompson, Chair**

**2nd Wednesday of the Month**  
**May 13, 2026 5:30 p.m.**  
**Commitment Team: Focus on Guests**  
**Marsha West, Chair**

**1st Thursday of the Month**  
**May 7, 2026 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**  
**May 12, 2026 6:00 p.m.**  
**Outreach Team: Focus on Mission**  
**Marji Raunikar, Chair**

**3rd Thursday of the Month**  
**May 19, 2026**  
**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  
May 21, 2026  
at noon.