

PRELUDE *In Moments Like These* David Graham

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *The Family of God* Bill & Gloria Gaither

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER** David Donald, Deacon

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** David Donald

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES Trey Davis

Thank you for choosing to worship with us at The Ridge today! If you are visiting, please fill out one of the green cards on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate at the end of the service. We're so glad to have you here, and we're grateful to know of your presence with us.

RESPONSIVE READING *Matthew 5:38-48* Kerry Johnson

"You have heard that it was said, 'AN EYE FOR AN EYE, AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.' But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.

If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

You have heard that it was said, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AND HATE YOUR ENEMY.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

So that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? If you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?"

Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

ANTHEM *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* arr. Milton Bliss

MORNING PRAYER Leigh Baker

***HYMN 394** *In Christ There Is No East or West* ST. PETER

SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 10:25-37* David Donald

LEADER: These are the scriptures of God for the people of Christ.

PEOPLE: May the Spirit grant us understanding.

SERMON *Being the Ridge: Neighborly* Trey Davis

ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* arr. Hal Hopson
Amy Kemp, soloist

RESPONSIVE READING *from Ecclesiastes 4* Myriam Pierre

There was a man all alone; he had neither son nor brother.

There was no end to his toil, yet his eyes were not content with his wealth.

"For whom am I toiling," he asked, "and why am I depriving myself?"

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor:

If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.

But how can one keep warm alone?

Though one may be overpowered,

Two can defend themselves.

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT 488** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* MARYTON

During this hymn, we invite you to reflect upon your relationship with God and your commitment to Christian service. If you would like to make a commitment to Christ or to become a member of Ridge Road Baptist Church, we invite you to come forward to speak with a pastor.

***PASTORAL BLESSING** Trey Davis

As we go out into the world, we look for opportunities to share our blessings with others. If you would like to contribute to the ministry here at Ridge Road Baptist Church, offering plates are available on the altar up front for your gifts.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *As We Go* Jeremy Johnson

As we go, may Your Spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where You lead.

May we live what we have learned, Share the message we have heard,

And be a light unto the world as we go.

POSTLUDE *In Times Like These* Ruth Caye Jones

**please stand as you are able*

Autumn Study: Concludes today!

Immediately following worship today, stick around for lunch and a conversation about what makes Ridge Road distinctive among churches in Raleigh.

Poinsettia Orders

It's time to order one or more poinsettias to decorate our Sanctuary for Advent. Order forms are in the pew pockets. We will be taking orders until Sunday, November 19th. The form allows you to list if your poinsettia is being given in honor or memory of someone.

Foushee Prayer Requests & Praises:

Pray for Yoko* to know Jesus as Lord and pray for our community to guide her as she grows in faith.

Continue to **pray** for our monthly KIBC dinner that more will join to share in fellowship time.

We celebrate the profession of faith made by Mori-san, a Japanese man at Kanazawa Baptist Church! **Pray** for him as he prepares for baptism on Christmas Eve. **Pray** also for Laura, who has been given the opportunity to lead a baptism prep class in Japanese that began this month and continues through December.

(*not her real name)



WELCOME HOUSE THANKSGIVING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 AT 1:30 PM

Join us as we partner with Welcome House Raleigh (<https://welcomehouseraleigh.org/>) to celebrate American Thanksgiving with refugee families.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Church Members: (*new addition)

Mary Carraway	Phil Dickens
Sharon Donald*	Betty Duke
Bob & Jane Edwards	Martha Flynn
Patricia Lynn	Linda Pleasants
Helen Prevette	Vic Rackley

Family and Friends:

Linda Creech (mother of Paige Kay)
Joel & Allison Cresimore
Linda DeSchreiver (niece of Jane Edwards)
Virginia Herran (sister of Jo Cresimore)
John & Jennifer LeMay (daughter and son-in-law of Jo Cresimore)
Ashley Lynn (niece of Patricia Lynn)
Marygena Lynn (sister-in-law of Patricia Lynn)
Martha Marcom (cousin of Patricia Lynn)
Tommy Jenkins (former member)
Patti Lingafelt (former member)

DEACON OF THE DAY

Today.....David Donald
Next Week (Nov. 19).....Sandra Jolly

GIVING

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