

**PRELUDE** *Adagio* Muffet  
 Marcia Nance, Organist

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** *Christ, We Do All Adore Thee* ADORE THEE

**\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER** Ellis Wheeler, 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** Ellis Wheeler

**WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES** Teresa Wheeler  
*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** *Psalm 130* Teresa Wheeler  
 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.  
**Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**  
 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?  
**But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**  
 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his work I hope;  
**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**  
 O people, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.  
**It is he who will redeem us from all our iniquities.**

**\*HYMN 28** *To God Be the Glory* Crosby & Doane

**MORNING PRAYER** Kevin Parker

**RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING** *Luke 5:15-25 & Luke 7:35-50* Ellis Wheeler  
 (see insert)

**ANTHEM** *He Leadeth Me* arr. Gilbert Martin

**SERMON** *Love, Faith, and Forgiveness* Amy McPherson

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 546** *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* REST (ELTON)  
*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** Amy McPherson  
*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.*

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** *Grace, Love, and Fellowship* CANE PEAK

**POSTLUDE** *Praise Him with Drums and Cymbals* Karg-Elert

*\*please stand as you are able*

*We are honored to have Rev. Amy McPherson in our pulpit today. For over 12 years she has served and preached in some rather diverse churches in North Carolina, Virginia, and Germany. She also served as a Chaplain in a hospital during COVID. Throughout the years Amy has been blessed to serve children and youth, their families, and adults in various roles. She loves all ages dearly and strongly believes in intergenerational churches that share and invest in one another's lives. She is currently working on her Doctor of Ministry at Campbell University Divinity School while providing pulpit supply to Methodist Churches that find themselves in transition.*

*We are also honored to have Marcia Nance as our organist today. She earned her Bachelor of Music degree from Richmond Professional Institute and her Master of Music degree from Memphis State University. She has served churches in Virginia, Tennessee, and Kansas, and recently retired after 45 years as organist at Highland UMC.*



**Foushee Prayer Requests & Praises:**

- We give thanks for an encouraging visit with the three ministers from FBC Dalton, GA and look forward to visiting them in June to discuss more about future mission team visits to Japan.
- Pray for upcoming travel to America for visits with congregations and other supporters beginning in late May and continuing through late August.

Pray for CBF General Assembly in Atlanta from June 27 to 30. Consider attending this special event where we gather to worship, learn, fellowship, and celebrate the good work of God across the world.



*The Ridge Road Baptist Church family extends our condolences to Dr. Trey Davis and family upon the loss of Trey's sister, Chrissy Davis Hardy who passed away June 20, 2023. Please keep the entire Davis and Hardy families in your prayers.*

There will be a brief **Called Business Meeting** next Sunday, July 2nd, immediately following the worship service to vote on the following persons to serve on the Deacon Nomination Review Committee: Charlotte Craver; Sue Johnson; Liz Peacock; Marjo Smith; Teresa Wheeler.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

**Church Members:**

Mary B. Carraway	Felicia Goodman
Betty Duke	Phil Kirk
Bob & Jane Edwards	Patricia Lynn
Joe Ellen	Linda Pleasants
Martha Flynn	Helen Prevette

**Family and Friends:**

Linda Creech (mother of Paige Kay)  
 Joel & Allison Cresimore  
 Linda DeSchreiber (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)

**DEACON OF THE DAY**

Today.....Ellis Wheeler  
Next Week (July 2).....TBD

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