

PRELUDE *A Servant of the Least* arr. Nancy L. Smith
Lee Ann Spahr, organist

***CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* BEECHER
*Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling; all Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.
Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.*

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER** Luther Smith, 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** Luther Smith

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES Jennifer 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 *Psalms 100:1-5* Jennifer Davis
Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
Know that the Lord is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

MORNING PRAYER Jennifer Davis

***HYMN 376** *Glorious Is Thy Name, Most Holy* HOLY MANNA

SCRIPTURE READING *Exodus 3:1-14* Luther Smith
LEADER: These are the scriptures of God for the people of Christ.
PEOPLE: May the Spirit grant us understanding.

ANTHEM *All the Way My Savior Leads Me* Crosby & Lowry

SERMON *Come Undone* Trey Davis

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT 540** *Wherever He Leads I'll Go* FALLS CREEK
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** *Wherever He Leads I'll Go* FALLS CREEK
*Wherever He leads I'll go,
Wherever He leads I'll go;
I'll follow my Christ who loves me so,
Wherever He leads I'll go.*

POSTLUDE *Festival Postlude* Mark L. Williams
**please stand as you are able*

We welcome and thank Lee Ann Spahr for leading the music in our worship today. Midtown Community Church's Bluegrass and BBQ will be held on Sunday, October 1st from 5-7pm. Join us with your family and friends on the lawn to enjoy some bluegrass, BBQ and a bouncy house for the kids! Clyde Cooper's BBQ will be served around 5:30 pm and music will start shortly after. We ask you to sign up and register by Sunday, Sept. 24th using the link below:
<https://midtown.breezechms.com/form/BluegrassBBQ2023>

Foushee Prayer Requests & Praises:

Pray for new international students and teachers who will arrive in Kanazawa with the beginning of the fall semester in schools. Pray that our church would provide a welcoming presence for them as they settle into a new place.

Pray for Ada as she returns to preschool and for Judah as he begins nursery school this month.

Thank you for praying for our friend Hiro, the student studying in Tokyo whom we called "Yoshi" in our February newsletter. He has given us permission to use his real name and wants you to know how much your prayers have encouraged him. We're excited to share he has gotten a great government job as an English translator that will begin in the spring! Please pray for opportunities to share Jesus' love as he has been hesitant to engage in conversation about his beliefs.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Rev. Sugiyama, our former pastor in Kanazawa who resigned due to health issues earlier this year. We were able to spend time with him and his son at a waterpark before the end of summer break, and he was in better spirits than we can remember in some time. Continue to pray for him and his family as they discern where God is leading them next.



SUNDAY, September 24, 2023

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Church Members:

- Phil Dickens Patricia Lynn
- Betty Duke Linda Pleasants
- Bob & Jane Edwards Helen Prevette
- Joe Ellen Vic Rackley
- Martha Flynn

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

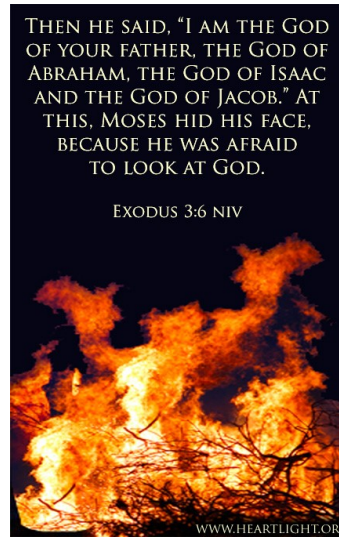
Today.....Luther Smith
Next Week (Oct. 1).....Marie Sumerel

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