

# RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

*at The Ridge*

## Welcome to Worship

*August 18, 2024*

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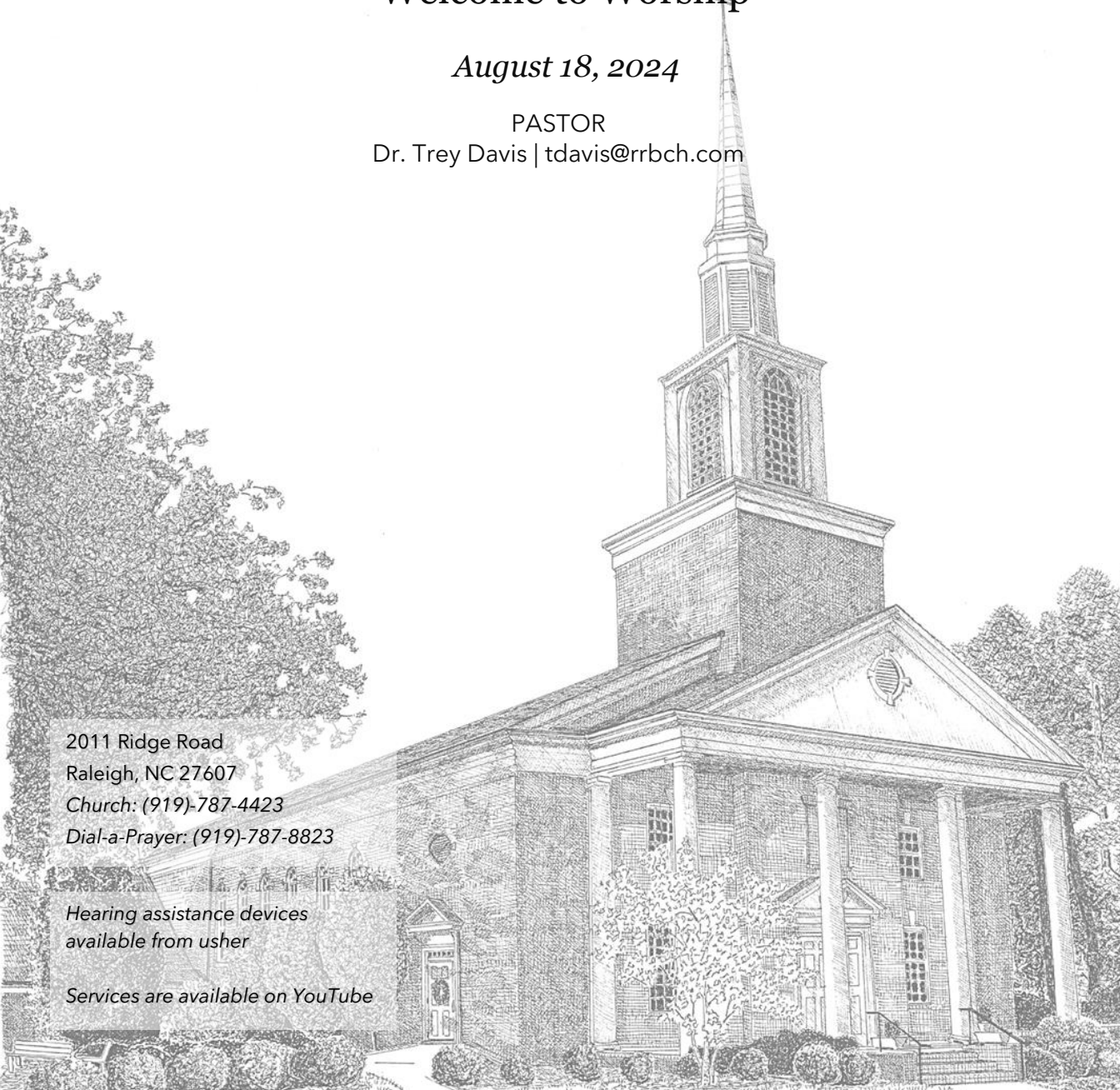
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<b>August 18, 2024</b>		<b>11:00 AM</b>
<b>PRELUDE</b>	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus/Open Our Eyes arr. S. N. Callaway	Jill Knight, piano
<b>*CALL TO WORSHIP</b>	Let the Whole Creation Cry Let the whole creation cry: Alleluia! "Glory to the Lord on high!" Alleluia! Sun and moon, lift up your voice; Alleluia! Night and stars in God rejoice, Alleluia!	LLANFAIR
<b>*INVOCATION &amp; LORD'S PRAYER</b>	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.	Liz Peacock, deacon
<b>*PASSING OF THE PEACE</b>		Liz Peacock
<b>WELCOME &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	<i>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.</i>	Trey Davis
<b>ANTHEM</b>	Sing a New Song for the Lord N. Sleeth	The Ridge Road Choir
<b>MORNING LITANY</b>	from Leviticus 2:13, 2 Chronicles 13:5, Numbers 18:19 & Acts 1:4  Sharing salt marks our profound commitment to one another. <b>Our covenant with God</b> Includes an offering of salt, <b>A sacrifice reckoned by sweat and tears.</b> The Lord God of Israel promised to David and his sons <b>Their royal line assured by a covenant of salt.</b> The salt preserves and perseveres: <b>It marks an everlasting promise in its bonds.</b> Likewise, there is salt between us. <b>We who gather together</b> Share the bonds of this pact. <b>We wait for the gift of the Father;</b> We share the salt of the covenant <b>Profoundly committed, one to another.</b>	Luther Smith
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	Mark 9:49-50 These are the scriptures of God for the people of Christ. <b>May the Spirit grant us understanding.</b>	Liz Peacock
<b>MUSICAL MEDITATION</b>	Precious Lord, Take My Hand T. Dorsey	Matthew Hager, baritone

<b>MORNING PRAYER</b>		Jill Knight
<b>*HYMN of PRAISE (insert)</b>	Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above	AMSTERDAM
<b>SERMON</b>	The Essential Saltiness, Part II	Trey Davis
<b>MUSICAL MEDITATION</b>	Beautiful City (from <i>Godspell</i> ) S. Schwartz	Alli Mae Carnes, soprano Matthew Hager, baritone & piano
<b>RESPONSE</b>	from "Ode to Salt" P. Neruda	Suzanne Lorentzen

I know you won't believe me, but it sings,  
**Salt sings, the skin of the salt mines sings**  
 With a mouth smothered by the earth.  
**I shivered in those solitudes**  
 When I heard the voice of the salt in the desert.  
**A broken voice, a mournful song.**  
 In its caves the salt moans,  
**Mountain of buried light,**  
 Translucent cathedral,  
**Crystal of the sea,**  
 Oblivion of the waves.  
**Preserver of the ancient holds of ships,**  
 Discoverer on the high seas.  
**And then on every table in the world,**  
 Salt, sprinkling vital light upon our food.  
**In it, we taste infinitude.**

<b>*HYMN of COMMITMENT #384</b>	The Servant Song	BEACH SPRING
<i>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.</i>		

<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		Trey Davis
<i>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.</i>		

<b>*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE</b>	Make Me A Servant	SERVANT
Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart always be: Make me a servant, make me a servant, Make me servant today.		

<b>*POSTLUDE</b>	You Are My All in All arr. B. Inman	Teresa Wheeler, piano
<i>*Please stand as you are able.</i>		

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## Deacon of the Day

Today	Liz Peacock
Next week (8/25)	Sandra Jolly

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## Coming soon to the Ridge

8/18: Church Business Meeting immediately following worship  
8/18: Summer Sunday Nights Bible Study  
8/25: Worship in the Round

### **School Supply Collection - August Mission Project**

The Mission Committee is **collecting school supplies** for children in need at Washington Elementary School. The school has provided recommended items listed below. **A bright red tub will be placed in the Narthex for collection.**

- *Ticonderoga brand pencils*
- *Glue sticks*
- *Skinny dry erase markers of any color*
- *Colored pencils*
- *Markers*
- *underwear (boys or girls) sizes 8-14*
- *bottoms with adjustable or stretchy waistband (sweatpants, leggings, basketball shorts, etc.) sizes 8-16*

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## Announcements

Our final summer bible study session is **tonight in the Fellowship Hall**. A light meal will be served at 5:30.

Today we welcome Jill Knight to RRBC. Jill is the candidate for the minister of music position. We are thankful for her talents and presence in worship today. Following worship today, there will be a **called business meeting** for the church to officially vote on the candidate.

Additionally, our called business meeting today will include an **advisory vote by paper ballot in response to the new alcohol policy**. This vote will not enact a policy, but it will advise the deacons as we consider options for moving forward.

Thank you to **Alli Mae Carnes and Matthew Hager for sharing their musical talents** with us today. Alli Mae and Matthew are official partners of The Ridge, hosting lessons and theater camps on campus. We are glad to have them join us in worship.

It's time for our annual **deacon nominations**. Each RRBC member may nominate up to six members to serve as deacon for a 3-year term. **Please see the inserted ballot for more information.**

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## Prayer Requests

*Please refer to our digital newsletter for a full list of prayer requests.*



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