

RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

at The Ridge

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2025



MINISTER OF MUSIC
Rev. Jill Knight

PASTOR
Dr. Trey Davis

PIANIST
Claudia Hinson

PRELUDE

Jesus, Lord to Me
Gary McSpadden & Greg Nelson, arr. Mark Hayes

Claudia Hinson, piano

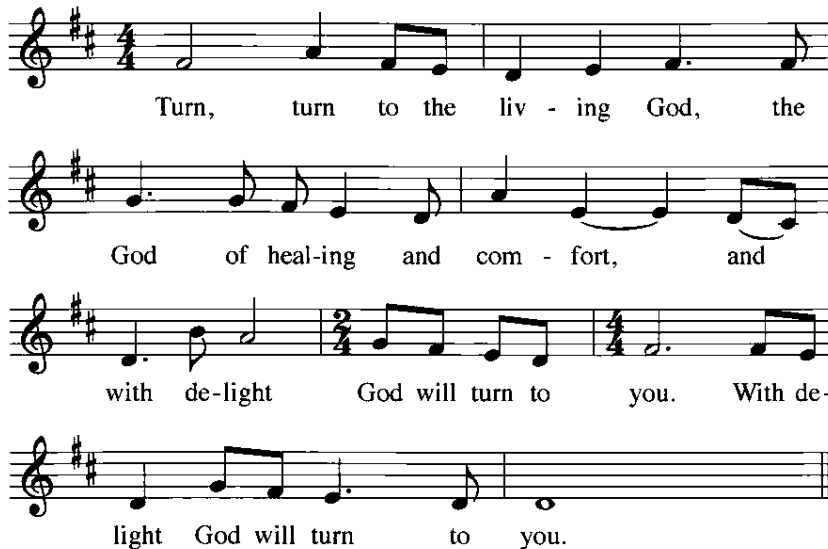
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jill Knight

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.

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Turn to the Living God
Lori True



***INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

Marie Sumerel, 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**

Marie Sumerel

ANTHEM

Bless the Lord, O My Soul
arr. Walter Ehret

The Ridge Road Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:10-16

Marie Sumerel

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

May the Spirit grant us understanding.

MORNING PRAYER

Phil Kirk

MORNING LITANY

from Psalm 78:2-7

Wilson Alexander

I will utter hidden things, things from of old—

Things we have heard and known,

Things our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from their descendants;

We will tell the next generation

The praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,

God's power, and the wonders God has done.

The Lord set his Word in Israel

And then commanded our parents to teach it to their children,

So that the next generation,

And all generations to come,

Would know the truth and tell these stories

That their children might trust in God.

Never, then, forget the works of God!

*HYMN of PRAISE #532

Higher Ground

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SERMON

What We Find Through Remembrance

Anna Parish

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Remember Me

Mark Schultz

Jill Knight, alto

Amy Kemp, soprano

RESPONSE

adapted from *Remembrance of Things Past*

Marcel Proust

Luther Smith

There is no one, however wise,

Who has not—at some period of youth—said things,

Or even lived in a way, which was so unpleasant

That they would gladly, if possible, expunge it from memory.

But we should not dwell in regret,

Because we cannot be certain that we have indeed become wise.

We pass through the fatuous or unwholesome

To reach an ultimate stage of understanding.

We cannot be taught wisdom.

We have to discover it for ourselves

By a journey which no one can undertake for us,

An effort which no one can spare us.

*HYMN of COMMITMENT #501

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

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.

*BENEDICTION

Jill Knight

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 #532

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Lord, lift me up and let me stand,
By faith, on heaven’s tableland;
A higher plane than I have found;
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

*POSTLUDE

Recessional
Anthony Giamanco

Claudia Hinson, piano

**Please stand as you are able.*

Announcements

We are collecting orders for **Easter Lilies**. Give a lily in honor or memory of a loved one this spring and help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. An order form is inserted in your bulletin. Orders are due by Sunday, April 6 to the church office.

Our flowers today are given in memory of Martha Flynn who passed away last month. A memorial service in her honor will be held at 2PM today in the sanctuary.

Today we welcome **Anna Parish** to the pulpit as our guest preacher. Anna, originally from Auburn, Alabama, recently moved to Raleigh and started as the Ministerial Intern at Hayes Barton. She graduated from Troy University in Troy, Alabama, with a degree in Applied Health Sciences and is in her first year at Campbell University Divinity School. We are thankful for her meaningful leadership in our service this morning.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new RRBC baby with Suzanne and Craig Lorentzen. To celebrate, we are hosting a **church-wide baby shower on Sunday, March 30** in the fellowship hall following worship. All are welcome. A link to the Lorentzen’s baby registry can be found in our emailed newsletter.

Updated church directories are available in the church office for pick up. Please take one directory per family.

Deacon of the Day

Today	Marie Sumerel
Next week (3/30)	Kevin Parker

Coming soon to the Ridge

3/23: Martha Flynn funeral service, 2PM, Sanctuary
3/30: Lorentzen Baby Shower, 12PM, Fellowship Hall
4/6: Easter Lily order due date

Prayer Requests

Please refer to the emailed newsletter for a full list of prayer requests.



Important Links

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