

RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

at The Ridge

Welcome to Worship

August 24, 2025

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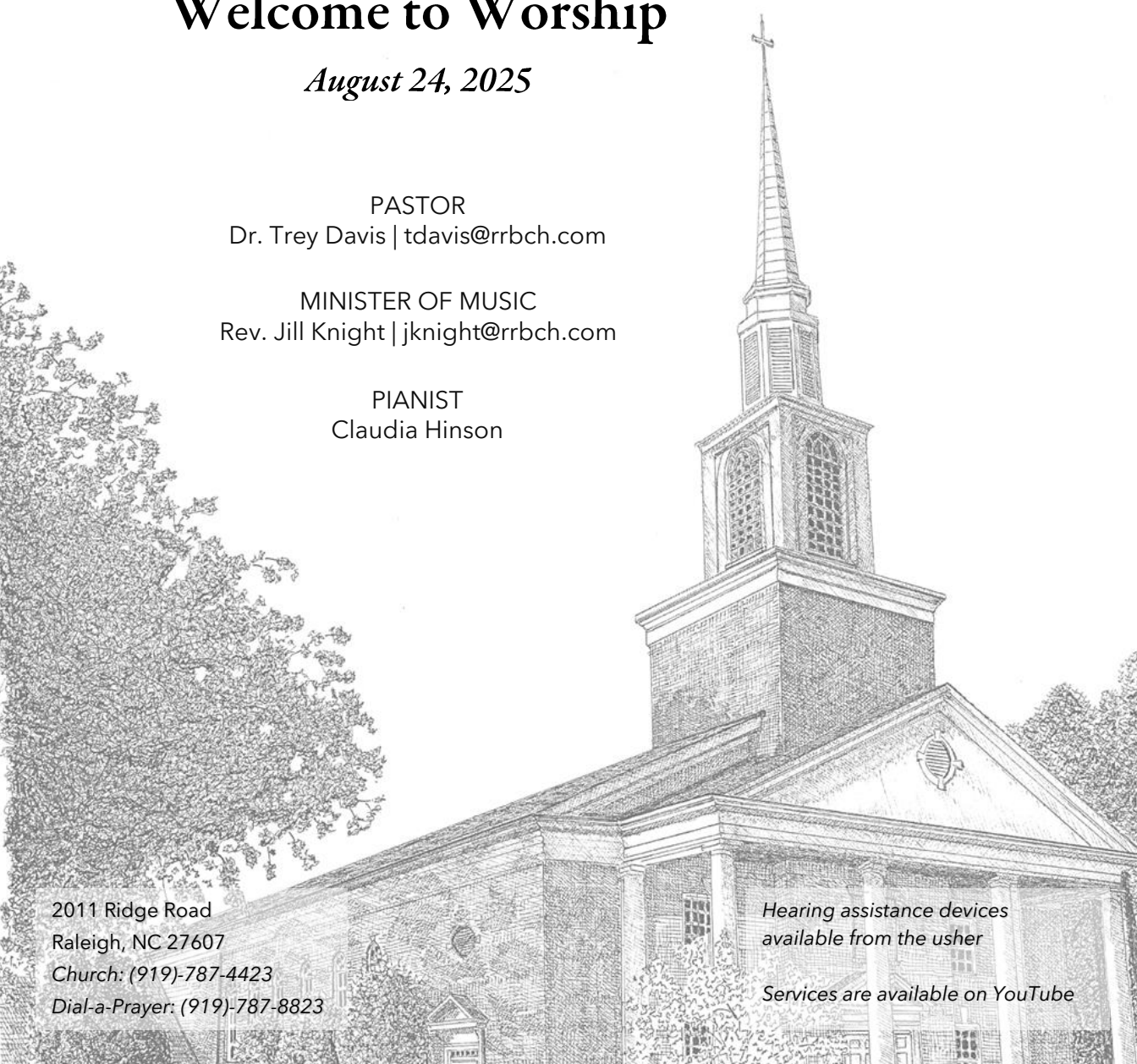
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PRELUDE

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
Helen H. Lemmel, arr. James Michael Stevens

Elaine Holley, violin
Jill Knight, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

*CALL to WORSHIP #7

Come Let us Worship and Bow Down

WORSHIP AND BOW DOWN

Come let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker (2x)
For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture,
And the sheep of His hand, just the sheep of His hand.

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

Liz Peacock, 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

Liz Peacock

ANTHEM

Come Down, Lord
Stan Pethel

The Ridge Road Choir

MORNING LITANY

from 2 Corinthians 4

Lila Davis

Since through God's mercy we have our ministry,

We do not lose heart.

We do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God.

And we do not lose heart.

By setting forth the truth plainly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

And we do not lose heart.

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who refuse to see,

So we do not lose heart.

Though on the outside it may look like things are falling apart,

On the inside, God makes new life,

And so we continue to seek God's work, to help those in need,

And we do not lose heart.

We fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen

Since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

And we do not lose heart.

*HYMN of PRAISE #376

Glorious is Thy Name, Most Holy

HOLY MANNA

MORNING PRAYER

Leigh Baker

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:36-41, 16:13-15, 18:24-26

Liz Peacock

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

May the Spirit grant us understanding.

SERMON

The Women of Acts

Trey Davis

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Medley: Thaxted & Nettleton
arr. Garrett Breeze

Elaine Holley, violin
Jill Knight, piano

BLESSING for the NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Jill Knight

Lord, we lift up our students, educators, and other staff as they embark on a new school year. We pray for the educators who nurture and guide our children. May they have strength, energy, and passion to fulfill their calling.

Grant them extra measures of compassion and patience to extend to their students, and wisdom in planning their lessons. May they see their students as your beloved children made in your image.

We thank you for the principals, counselors, cafeteria workers, custodians, and bus drivers who also take care of our students.

Grant them wisdom in planning for student growth and success, safety on the roads, and a ready smile to share with all.

We pray for our students as they begin a new year of studies.

May their imagination and understanding expand as they learn and grow this year.

We also pray that our students would be a good friend and encouragement to their fellow classmates, especially those who may be lonely or going through a difficult time.

Students and educators, we pray that you all will follow in the ways of Jesus this year. May your words and actions reflect the love and peace of Christ.

*HYMN of COMMITMENT

God of the Women

SLANE

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.

#1 God of the women who answered your call,
Trusting your promises, giving their all,
Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth –
Give us their courage to live in your truth.

#3 God of the women who ran from the tomb,
Prayed with the others in that upper room,
Then felt your Spirit on Pentecost Day –
May we so gladly proclaim you today

#2 God of the women who walked Jesus' Way,
Giving their resources, learning to pray,
Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more –
May we give freely as they did before

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*BENEDICTION

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 #371

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

BEACH SPRING

Of your time and talents give Him, they are gifts from God above,
To be used by Christians freely to proclaim His wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and off'rings with you bring.
In your work, with Him find favor, and with joy His praises sing.

*POSTLUDE

Worthy of Worship
Mark Blankenship, arr. K Renfrow

Claudia Hinson, piano

**Please stand as you are able.*

Annual Deacon Nominations:

Today is the final day to submit deacon nominations. Forms are located in the narthex beside the drop box. Each RRBC member may nominate up to six members to serve as deacon for a 3-year term beginning October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2028. *Members who are ineligible for nomination at this time due to the church qualifications are listed on the ballot.* There are several ways to submit your nominations:

1. You may fill out the inserted form and drop it in a labeled collection box in the narthex or office.
2. You may print the digital version of the form sent out in our weekly e-newsletter and submit it to the labeled drop box.
3. You may email your nominees to Claire at cwillmschen@rrbch.com

Nominations are **due no later than Sunday, August 24**. Please contact the office if you have any

Each August we at RRBC help students at **Washington Elementary School** prepare for the coming school year by providing needed supplies. Below is a list of requested items:

- Dry erase markers
- Dry erase marker erasers
- Number 2 pencils
- Backpacks
- Boys & Girls underwear sized 5 to 14 (briefs preferred over boxers)
- Any shorts with elastic or adjustable waistbands sizes 10 and up.

A red collection bin will be placed in the Narthex. If preferred, you are also welcome to give a monetary donation by making a check out to Washington Elementary School and placing it in the offering plate.

Announcements

Tonight we continue our **summer Sunday nights bible study**. We will meet in the choir room at 5:30PM for dinner followed by a bible study led by Trey. These sessions will continue on Sunday nights until September 14. This year we will focus on Genesis' creation stories. We hope to see you there!

Coming soon to the Ridge

August 24 - September 14, 5:30PM: Summer Sunday nights bible study, music room

August 24: Final day to submit deacon nominations

A full list of prayer requests can be found in the weekly e-newsletter.

