

RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH *at The Ridge*

Welcome to Worship

11AM, August 2, 2026

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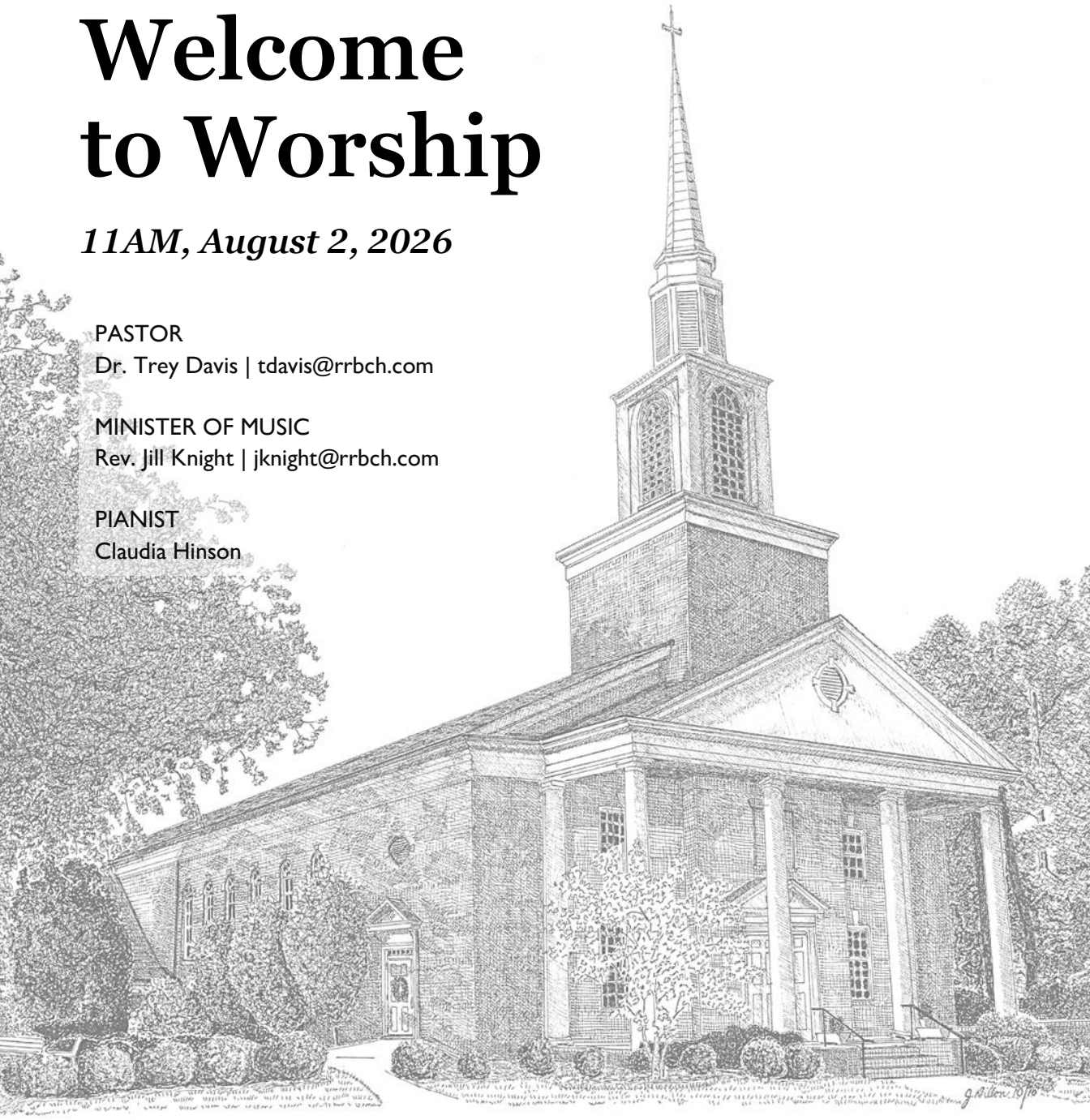
Dr. Trey Davis | tdavis@rrbch.com

MINISTER OF MUSIC

Rev. Jill Knight | jknight@rrbch.com

PIANIST

Claudia Hinson



PRELUDE

All Creatures of Our God and King
arr. Jay Althouse

Claudia Hinson, piano
Becky & Cady Mercer, flute

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

Psalms 36:5-10

Sandra Jolly, deacon

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,

Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

Your judgments are like the great deep;

You save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,

And you give them drink from the river of your delights.

Continue your steadfast love to those who know you,

Your righteousness to the upright in heart.

For with you is the fountain of life;

In your light we see light.

INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

Sandra Jolly

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**

Sandra Jolly

***HYMN of PRAISE (insert)**

Gather Us In

GATHER US IN

The choir will sing verse 1. Please stand and join on verse 2.

MORNING LITURGY

from "Orchard Grafts"
Tian Sanchez-Ballado

Suzanne Lorentzen

Grafted here now,

Tethered to sap not my own,

Wrapped in evergreen and borrowed moss—

The trees around me

Teaching what roots can do when the frost comes,

How love moves through heartwood

Without asking permission.

This grove has given me everything.

I am full of sap, of sweetness,
Of more love than I was built to hold.

MORNING PRAYER

Steve Sumerel

SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:1-8

Ellis Wheeler

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

May the Spirit grant us understanding.

ANTHEM

We Have Been Told
David Haas

The Ridge Road Choir
Becky & Cady Mercer, flute

HOMILY

The Great French Wine Blight & Shelby Foote

Trey Davis

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Near the River
arr. Anna Laura Page

Becky & Cady Mercer, flute
Claudia Hinson, piano

COMMUNION

Jill Knight

As a church that affirms all Christian traditions, we invite everyone for whom this ritual is meaningful to the table.

***HYMN of COMMITMENT (insert)**

The Lord of Life, a Vine Is He

LATHAM

*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**

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**

Your Supper, Lord, Before Us Spread

HAMBURG

Now may the worship we know here

Remind us You are always near;

Help us to live our lives each day

In love and faith, O Lord, we pray.

***POSTLUDE**

Jesus Shall Reign with Great is the Lord Almighty
arr. Carol Tornquist

Claudia Hinson, piano

**Please stand as you are able.*

Deacon Nomination 2026

Each RRBC member may nominate up to six members to serve a three-year term as deacon (October 1, 2026-September 30, 2029). All nominations will be reviewed by the Deacon Nomination Review Committee. After the review process, the Deacon Nomination Review Committee will present a slate of three well-qualified nominees to the church for vote by Sunday, September 20, 2026.

Nomination forms can be picked up in the church office or downloaded from the emailed newsletter. You can submit your form virtually via email (see the newsletter for instructions), in-person via the collection boxes in the office or narthex, or via mail to the office. **Nominations will be accepted through Sunday, August 24th.**

Deacon of the Day

Today Sandra Jolly
Next week (8/9) Teresa Wheeler

Coming soon to the Ridge

8/2, today: *Second Summer Bible Study Session, 5:30PM meal, 6:30PM lesson, choir room*

8/9: *Laura and Carson Foushee lead us in worship*

8/16: *Worship in the Round, fellowship hall*

8/24: *Deacon Nominations Due*

Prayer Requests

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

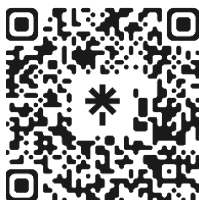
Announcements

This Sunday, we welcome mother-daughter duo Becky and Cady Mercer as our guest flutists.

Our **summer Bible study continues tonight** in the choir room. This summer, we'll be studying the fascinating story of Esther, one of the most unusual books of our Bible. Our own Jill Knight will lead as we contemplate stories of power, prejudice, and providence. Meetings begin with a light meal at 5:30 PM, and the lesson will start sometime around 6:30 PM. These studies are designed for all ages, so we encourage everyone to join us!

We are very excited to host our first-ever **Beach Music** event at The Ridge on **Friday, September 18**. The concert will feature NC Hall of Fame group, **Chairmen of the Board**, alongside food trucks, beverage sales, and more! Tickets are contribute-what-you-can with a suggested \$15 donation. Buy tickets today by scanning the QR code below.

Additionally, if you are interested in **volunteering** for the concert, please reach out to Claire (cwillmschen@rrbch.com).



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