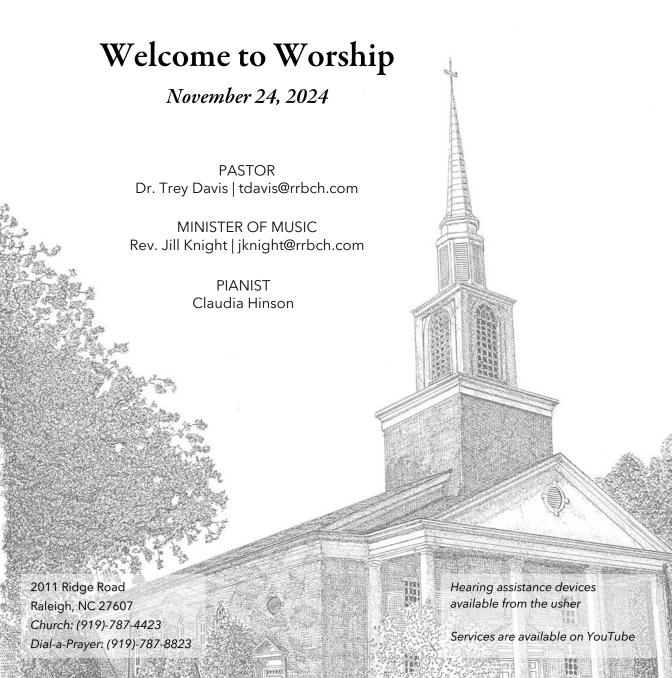
RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

at The Ridge



November 24, 2024

11:00 AM

A Service of Gratitude

Christ the King Sunday

PRELUDE

King of My Heart John Mark & Sara McMillan

Hannah Hinson & Hope Sharpe, vocals Jacob Wright, quitar

*CALL TO WORSHIP #636

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home! All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin. God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied. Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

Kevin Parker, 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

Kevin Parker

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.

NAMING OUR BLESSINGS

Trey Davis

LITANY of THANKSGIVING¹

Liz Peacock

God of Creation and of all times, we give you thanks!

For the morning, when joy comes to us,

For the evening, when we meditate on your love,

For the in-between, the working and accomplishing hours;

When we practice gratitude amidst distraction and busyness,

For the long dark of night,

When our souls and bodies assimilate and regenerate,

We give you thanks, O Lord.

God of community and of the church, we give you thanks!

For the people we love effortlessly,

But also for the people who challenge us.

For our enemies, who teach us to bless and forgive.

For our families, who teach us grace and forbearance

For those whose lives we touch only momentarily:

May we be a lasting blessing.

We give you thanks, O Lord.

God of wisdom, grace, truth and love, we give you thanks!

For the boisterous, jubilant seasons,

¹ Adapted from "Litany for Thanksgiving," Sacred Heart Catholic Church (Bolivar, MO). https://sacredheartbolivar.org/litany-of-thanksgiving/

For the subtle, quiet seasons,

For the seasons of difficulty and pain,

That through these seasons we may emerge bearing the image of Christ Jesus

For when we are certain, and when uncertainty plagues us,

For the times that are in the black and white, and in the gray

For our place in the universe that exists because You created it.

For every drop and morsel that sustains us that comes from Your hand,

For Your purposes that exceed the bounds of our imagining,

God that runs through all blessings in our lives:

We give you thanks, O Lord.

*HYMN of PRAISE #302 Rejoice, the Lord is King

MORNING PRAYER Jill Knight

MUSICAL MEDITATION Hannah Hinson & Lead On, O King Eternal arr. Sara Groves Hope Sharpe, vocals

Jacob Wright, quitar

Kevin Parker **SCRIPTURE READING** Colossians 3:12-17

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

May the Spirit grant us understanding.

The Holiday Cookie Cutter **SERMON** Trey Davis

GATHERING OUR BLESSINGS Trey Davis

ANTHEM We Gather Together The Ridge Road Choir

arr. Jeremy Walton

***HYMN of COMMITMENT #638** For the Beauty of the Earth

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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 #639

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET

DARWALL

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

*POSTLUDE

Claudia Hinson, piano

*Please stand as you are able.

Deacon of the Day

Today Next week (12/1) Kevin Parker Marie Sumerel

Coming soon to the Ridge

11/24, today: Church Business Meeting 11/24, today: Help decorate the church for

Christmas

11/24, today: Poinsettia orders due

From the Missions Team:

We are in the midst of our **Holiday Magic Campaign** for children in need who attend Washington Elementary School. This year the school is asking for donations of \$25 gift cards from either Walmart or Target. You may place cards in the Offering plate or place them in the Mission's mailbox in the church office.

If you wish to make a financial donation, we will be glad to purchase cards for you. Please note in the memo line that the donation is for Holiday Magic or Washington Elementary School.

Donations must be given by Sunday, December 8.

Announcements

The sanctuary flowers are given today by Phil Kirk; Ashlee Kirk; Allison, Nick, Madeline, Gabriel & Charlie Caspar; Angela, Katie, Alexis, & Cole Prenoveau; Madison & Austin Freed; and Bree & Zane Hamilton in loving memory of their grandmother, mother, and wife, Margaret (Margo) Simmons Kirk for her November 2 birthday.

Thank you to all who joined us for the Welcome House Thanksgiving celebration yesterday. We are grateful to host this meal every year and appreciate the efforts that keep it going.

Today is the final day to submit an order for Christmas poinsettias. These flowers are \$11 each and will be on display during Advent. Please fill out the order form inserted in your bulletin and return it to the office or place it in the offering plate.

Please join us immediately following worship **today** for our **Church Business Meeting**. In this meeting, we will vote on the proposed 2025 budget that was emailed to members this past week.

Deck the halls! Following the meeting, all are invited to stay and help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas.

Prayer Requests

Please refer to our emailed newsletter for a full list of prayer requests. Note new addition: Carolyn Peck (mother of Angela Kirk Prenoveau).



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