

RIDGE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

at The Ridge

Worship in the Round

August 17, 2025

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PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus
arr. Richard Storrs Willis

Jaclyn Brown, dulcimer

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship
(Sung through 2x)

NOW IS THE TIME

Unison



Come, now is the time to wor - ship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to wor - ship.

Come, just as you are be-fore your God,

***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, deacon

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES

Trey Davis

MORNING LITANY

Romans 11:33-36

Caroline Childrey

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are God's judgments.

God's paths twist beyond our understanding.

Who has known the mind of the Lord?

Who is smart enough to tell God what to do?

Who has served as God's counselor?

Who has ever given to God

That God should repay them?

For from God and through God and for God are all things.

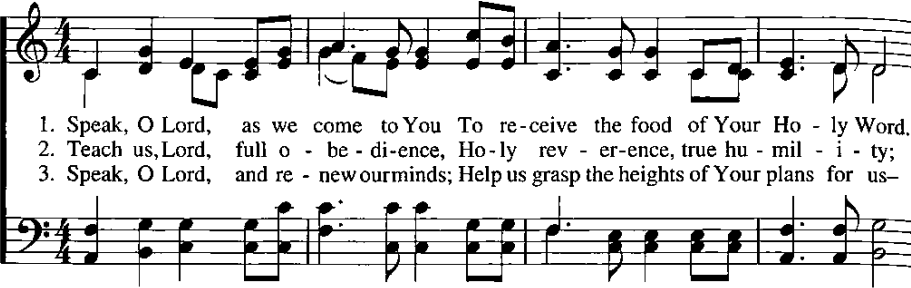
To God be the glory forever! Amen.

Protect the Unprotected

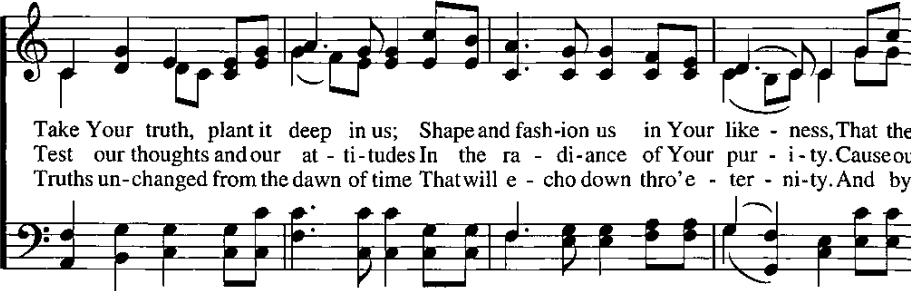
*HYMN of PRAISE

Speak, O Lord

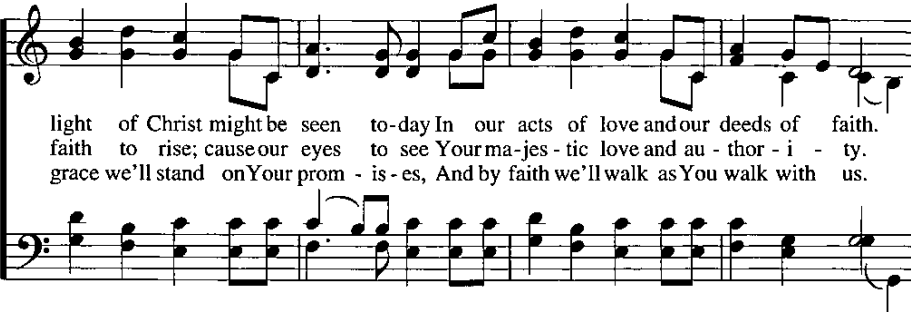
SPEAK, O LORD



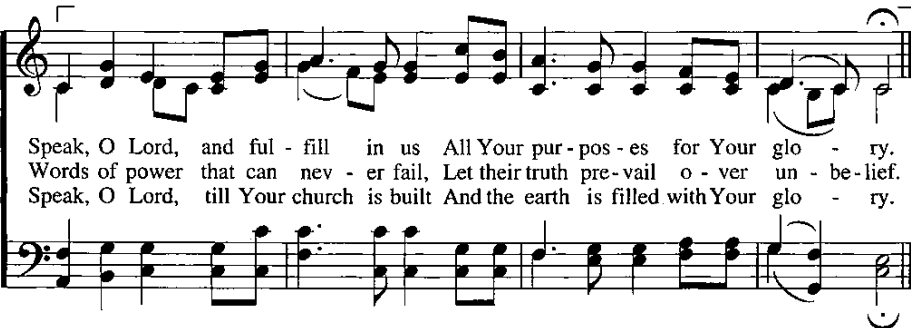
1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To re-ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di-ence, Ho-ly rev - er-ence, true hu - mil - i - ty;
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—



Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fash-ion us in Your like - ness, That the
Test our thoughts and our at - ti-tudes In the ra - di-ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our
Truths un-changed from the dawn of time That will e - cho down thro'e - ter - ni-ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to-day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your ma-jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
Words of power that can nev - er fail, Let their truth pre-vail o - ver un - be-lief.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 19:13-15; Psalm 25:1-3, 9-10

Craig Lorentzen

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

May the Spirit grant us understanding.
REFLECTION

Trey Davis

PRAYER

Owen Fulk

The Order Inverted

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 20:25-28; Philippians 2:3-7

David Donnald

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***HYMN**

The Servant Song

BEACH SPRING



1. We are trav - 'lers on a jour - ney, Fel - low pil - grims on the road;
2. Sis - ter, let me be your ser - vant, Let me be as Christ to you;
3. I will weep when you are weep - ing, When you laugh, I'll laugh with you;



We are here to help each oth - er Walk the mile and bear the load.
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my ser - vant, too.
I will share your joy and sor - row, Till we've seen this jour - ney through.



I will hold the Christ - light for you In the night - time of your fear;
Broth - er, let me be your ser - vant, Let me be as Christ to you;
When we sing to God in heav - en We shall find such har - mo - ny;



I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my ser - vant, too.
Born of all we've known to - geth - er Of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

PRAYER

Phil Kirk

We Want Our Sight

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 20:30-34; Job 29:11-17

Sandra Jolly

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SUNG CALL to CONFESSION

Have Mercy On Me
Sandra McCracken

Jaclyn Brown, guitar
Amy Kemp, soprano
Jill Knight, alto
Claudia Hinson, piano

PRAYER of CONFESSION

adapted from Psalms 25 & 51

Jill Knight

Holy and merciful God, in your presence and the presence of this beloved community we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, our offenses against you.

Against you, and you alone, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Like the rich young ruler, we have held too tightly to our possessions.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Like the Pharisees, we have been hard-hearted, focusing on the letter of the law instead of protecting the unprotected.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Like the disciples, we have not welcomed and cared for the vulnerable.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Like the laborers, we have grumbled about your generosity to those who are last and least.

Have mercy on us O God, according to your steadfast love. According to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.

Be mindful of your mercy, Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of our youth or our transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember us, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

WORDS of ASSURANCE

from Psalm 103

Jill Knight

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins nor repay us according to our iniquities.

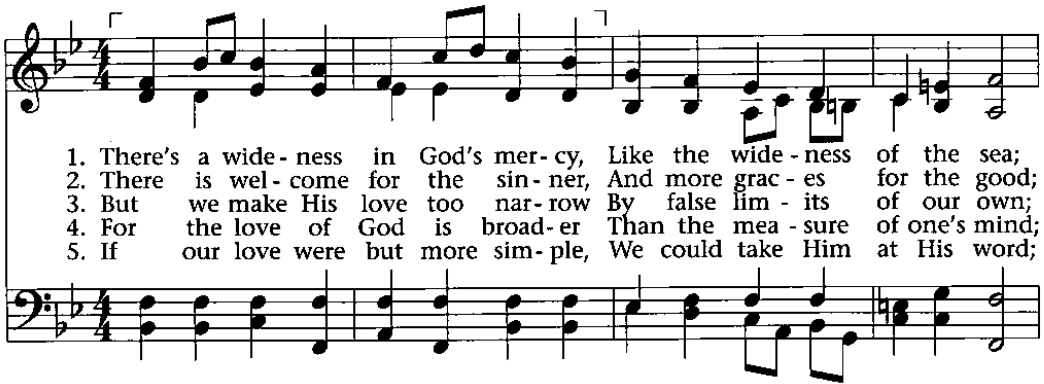
For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

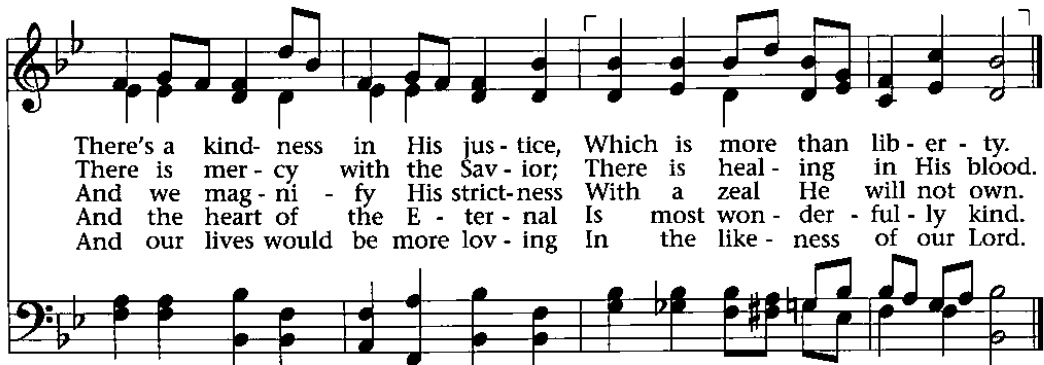
Thanks be to God.

***HYMN of ASSURANCE**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy WELLESLEY



1. There's a wide- ness in God's mer- cy, Like the wide- ness of the sea;
2. There is wel- come for the sin- ner, And more grac- es for the good;
3. But we make His love too nar- row By false lim- its of our own;
4. For the love of God is broad- er Than the mea- sure of one's mind;
5. If our love were but more sim- ple, We could take Him at His word;



There's a kind- ness in His jus- tice, Which is more than lib- er- ty.
There is mer- cy with the Sav- ior; There is heal- ing in His blood.
And we mag- ni - fy His strict-ness With a zeal He will not own.
And the heart of the E - ter - nal Is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
And our lives would be more lov - ing In the like - ness of our Lord.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Grace, Love, and Fellowship

CANE PEAK

May the grace of Christ, our Savior,
And the love of God, our Father,
And the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.

May the grace of Christ, our Savior,
And the love of God, our Father,
And the fellowship of the Spirit be with us
Forever, and ever, forevermore, Amen.

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Ludwig van Beethoven

Jaclyn Brown, dulcimer

**please stand as you are able*

Annual Deacon Nominations:

At the entrance to the fellowship hall, you will find a deacon nomination form. 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 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 questions or concerns!

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.

Deacon of the Day

Today	Kevin Parker
Next week (8/24)	Liz Peacock

Coming soon to the Ridge

Today, August 17: Worship in the Round

Today, August 17: First summer bible study session at 5:30PM in the choir room

August 24: Second summer bible study session

Announcements

Congratulations to Teresa and Ellis Wheeler on the birth of their new grandson Oliver Lamar Caldwell.

Tonight we begin our **Summer Sunday Nights bible study** series. Join us **at 5:30PM in the choir room** for a shared meal followed by a lesson led by Trey. This summer we're focusing on Genesis' creation stories. This series will continue every Sunday night until September 14. Bring a friend! We can't wait to see you there.

Prayer Requests

<i>Church Members</i>	<i>Family and Friends</i>
Mary Carraway	Linda Creech (mother of Paige Kay)
Phil Dickens	Joel & Allison Cresimore (son and daughter-in-law of Jo Cresimore)
Bob & Jane Edwards	Virginia Herran (sister of Jo Cresimore)
Patricia Lynn	John & Jennifer LeMay (daughter and son-in-law of Jo Cresimore)
Linda Pleasants	Ashley Lynn (niece of Patricia Lynn)
Helen Prevette	Hugh and Marygena Lynn (brother and sister-in-law of Patricia Lynn)
Gene Warren	Kent Mitchell (brother-in-law of Phil Kirk and uncle of Ashlee Kirk)
	Tommy Jenkins (former member)



Important Links

Scan the QR code (left) to sign up for the RRBC weekly newsletter, give online via EasyTithe, visit our website, and more.

