



RAMAH

BAPTIST CHURCH

The Lord's Day
August 16, 2026

Homecoming 2026
Celebrating 198 Years of Christ's
Faithfulness to His Church

FOR GOD | FOR THE CHURCH | FOR THE WORLD

Remembering and Thanking God for the Saints Who Have Gone Home in the Last Year

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as do the rest who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus. ¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

Bonnie Hammett — October 19, 2025

Alex Boatright — April 20, 2026

Loretta Henley — May 25, 2026

Angela Conner — July 28, 2026



ca. 1976

Telling the Ramah Story

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵ you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:4-5

Praise be to our Holy God—Father, Son, and Spirit—for our Lord has been building his spiritual house at Ramah for nearly 200 years. Ramah traces its spiritual heritage back to the preaching of the great Baptist leader Luther Rice, whose preaching in the home of Larkin Dunn in 1826 led to the constitution of our church, with the first structure for worship built in 1828. The chief Shepherd has been pleased through these last two centuries to send faithful undershepherds to his church at Ramah. Men like James Rainwater, J. S. Dodd, and R. C. Rhodes each labored for decades throughout our church's first century, preaching God's Word and equipping the saints for the work of ministry. The second century of Ramah's story is accentuated with men like Ralph Bobo, Daryel O'Barr, and Tom Edwards whose ministries all spanned more than a decade. Time does not permit us to list every undershepherd in Ramah's history, but they would each point us to chief Shepherd after all. History does not record every deacon who has served at Ramah, but every servant of the church would point us to the one who came not to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. Space does not allow the description of every building project that has taken place atop this hill, but we know that the most important work done here is the Lord building us into a spiritual house, by his word and by his Spirit. While many things have undoubtedly changed in the course of these last two centuries, much remains unchanged. From our earliest days, we have been a church committed to the word of God. Until Christ returns or calls us home, our commitment and submission to God's word will never change.

*The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.*

Isaiah 40:8

Worship Guide

REVELATION

God's Law Is Perfect and Good

Prelude

Instrumentalists

Let us use this time to quiet our hearts and minds in preparation for corporate worship.

“Be still, and know that I am God.”

—Psalm 46:10a

Pastoral Greeting

Pastor Charles

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19 (LSB)

Pastor Charles

LEADER:

For the choir director. A Psalm of David.

¹ The heavens are telling of the glory of God;
And the expanse is declaring the work of His hands.

² Day to day pours forth speech,
And night to night reveals knowledge.

³ There is no speech, nor are there words;
Their voice is not heard.

⁴ Their line has gone out through all the earth,
And their utterances to the end of the world.

In them He has placed a tent for the sun,
⁵ Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber;
It rejoices as a strong man to run his course.

⁶ Its rising is from one end of the heavens,
And its circuit to the other end of them;
And there is nothing hidden from its heat.

PEOPLE:

⁷ The law of Yahweh is perfect,
restoring the soul;

The testimony of Yahweh is sure,
making wise the simple.

⁸ The precepts of Yahweh are right,
 rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of Yahweh is pure,
 enlightening the eyes.
⁹ The fear of Yahweh is clean,
 enduring forever;
The judgments of Yahweh are true;
 they are righteous altogether.
¹⁰ They are more desirable than gold,
 even more than much fine gold;
Sweeter also than honey
 and the drippings of the honeycomb.
¹¹ Moreover, by them Your slave is warned;
 In keeping them there is great reward.

LEADER:

¹² Who can discern his errors?
 Acquit me of hidden faults.
¹³ Also keep back Your slave from presumptuous sins;
 Let them not rule over me;
Then I will be blameless,
 And I shall be acquitted of great transgression.

PEOPLE:

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
 Be acceptable in Your sight,
 O Yahweh, my rock and my Redeemer.

ADORATION
We Rejoice in God's Perfect Law

Prayer of Praise

Pastor Charles

“Thy Word Is Like a Garden, Lord” (Hymn 348)

Choir

“How Firm a Foundation”

Hymn 349

CONFESSION

We Fail to Keep the Law We Love

Scripture Reading: Romans 7:21–25 (LSB)

Pastor Laramie

²¹ I find then the principle that in me evil is present—in me who wants to do good. ²² For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man, ²³ but I see a different law in my members, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a captive to the law of sin which is in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from the body of this death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Laramie

“My Grieving Soul Revive, O Lord (Ps 119)”

Hymn 119D

PROPITIATION

Christ Kept the Law We Could Not

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 31:31–34 (LSB)

Pastor Charles

³¹ “Behold, days are coming,” declares Yahweh, “when I will cut a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant which I cut with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, but I was a husband to them,” declares Yahweh. ³³ “But this is the covenant which I will cut with the house of Israel after those days,” declares Yahweh: “I will put My law within them, and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. ³⁴ And they will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, ‘Know Yahweh,’ for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares Yahweh, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

“The Power of the Cross”

Hymn 343

Speak, O Lord

Choir

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

Ho - ly Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the
plans for us. Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will

fash - ion us in Your like - ness, That the light of Christ might be
ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our faith to rise; cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on Your

seen to - day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
eyes to see Your maj - es - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
prom - is - es, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2006

Speak, O Lord, and ful - full in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
Words of pow'r 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.

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and contains a melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, some beamed together, and rests. The bottom staff is in bass clef and contains a harmonic accompaniment primarily using chords and single notes. The lyrics are written in three lines, aligned with the measures of the music. The first line of music ends with a double bar line.

PROCLAMATION
God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Sermon: Psalm 119

John Miller

DEDICATION

We Respond to the Word of God

“How I Love Thy Law, O Lord (Ps 119)”

Hymn 119M

Offertory

Instrumentalists

SUPPLICATION

**A Prayer of Praise for God’s Faithfulness in the
Past and Pleading for God’s Faithfulness in the Future**

COMMISSION

God Sends Us to Serve

Next Sermon Series: The Book of Colossians

Beginning August 23. If you would like a Scripture journal to make notes throughout the series, please sign up on the Sound Table. Cost is \$5.

Interested in going to Washington DC?

Our next Ramah Retreat will be July 11–19, 2027, in Washington D.C. This will be a great opportunity for fellowship as well as seeing some of our nation’s history and learning about our Christian heritage. An informational packet is in the newsletter as well as on the sound table in the Chapel. **First deposits are due August 30.**

Church Conference/Breakfast Fellowship

During Sunday School on August 30, we will meet in the old Fellowship Hall for a church conference as well as a breakfast fellowship. Feel free to bring light breakfast items and join us as we hear a few church updates and continue to discuss our church covenant.

Fall Family Ministry Fellowships

Families with children and youth are invited to participate in six sessions throughout the fall at the Huckaby house. We will gather for a meal and games as well as a discussion of *Thirty Second Theology: Questions and Answers to Build Your Faith* by Sinclair Ferguson. Each gathering will take place after Equipping the Saints. The first meeting is August 30.

Upcoming Fall Announcements:

A Visit from the Pogues—September 13

The Pogues will be visiting with us from Malawi on September 13. Brad will give us updates during the Sunday School time. We will receive a love offering that morning as well. Please begin setting aside as you are able to give generously.

Save the Date: Fall Market—October 10

This will be on a larger scale like the Spring Market. If you or someone you know is interested in being a vendor, please let Lyndsey Huckaby know. More info to come.

Youth Apologetics Conference—October 17, 2026

Ligonier Ministries is hosting a one-day event for teens aged 12–18 in Powder Springs. “During this full day of biblical teaching and fellowship, we’ll explore who God is, why we can trust the Bible, and how the gospel of Jesus Christ shapes our whole lives.” See the pastors for more information and to sign-up.

Men’s Event—November 12–14

“Men Who Lead” is a three-day leadership training event hosted at Pray’s Mill Baptist Church, designed to equip men to lead with biblical faithfulness in every arena of life—the home, the church, and the world. This is free to Ramah men of all ages. Sign up through the newsletter or in the office.

Benediction: Joshua 1:8–9 (LSB)

Pastor Laramie

⁸ This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way successful, and then you will be prosperous. ⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not be in dread or be dismayed, for Yahweh your God is with you wherever you go.”

Welcome, Visitors!

We're so glad you are here today to worship with us at Ramah. We are a church striving to submit ourselves to Christ in every way. Our goal is to let the Word of God order and rule us in all that we do in the life of our church.

We also want to get to know you better and hope you will feel comfortable introducing yourself to us. If you have any questions about following Christ or about Ramah, one of our pastors would love to talk to you.

Let the Little Children Come

Children of all ages are welcome in our service. We have age-appropriate sermon guides and other resources available in the foyer, designed to help your children engage in God's Word along with you.

Staff

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This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY

Corporate Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

Corporate Worship

11:00 a.m.

Homecoming Potluck Fellowship

NO ETS

WEDNESDAY

Coffee and Fellowship

5:45 p.m.

Prayer Service

6:00 p.m.

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