

At Ridgewood, we are nothing more than real people living in a real world serving a real God.

October 20, 2024

Ridgewood  
CHURCH

Here are things that may be different from your previous church experiences:

**No Age-Graded Ministries** | All God's people - from infants to the elderly - are needed in relationships with each other. We worship together as one big family - the family of God.

**Children are Welcome and Encouraged in the Worship Gathering**

It is the parent's duty to train their children to participate in corporate worship, including singing, tithing, prayer, and active listening to the teaching of the Word of God. (Deut 31:12-13, Ezra 10:1, Matt 18:1-5, 19:13-15, Eph 6:1-4, Col 3:20) As part of this training process, children may make small noises in the service. These are a reminder "to such belong the Kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14). However, we also have the "Genesis Room" at the far end of the hall set up with video and audio feed for your convenience if you feel your child needs more attention.

**We Partake in the Lord's Supper Weekly** | We ask that the elements only be taken by professing, baptized believers who are in a good standing with their local church. (Acts 2:42-47, 1 Corinthians 11:23-24)

**We Practice Systematic Exposition** | The Bible is God's word and is our final authority in all matters of faith and practice. The music is prayerfully selected based on each week's text of Scripture. (Acts 2:42-47, Colossians 3:16)

**Weekly Fellowship Meal** | Families of Ridgewood have brought food for their own household and extra to share with visitors. Fellowship is one way we endeavor to 'encourage one another' in our Christian walk. (Acts 2:42-47, Hebrews 10:24-25)

**Use this Bulletin Throughout the Week as a Home Worship Guide**

God has called you to disciple your household. He has also called His church to encourage, equip, and expect you to disciple your household. Use this bulletin as a home-worship guide throughout the week.

The song of the month is a great place to start with family worship. The prayer guide is a tool designed to guide you and your family in prayer. The catechism/doctrine and home devotions are wonderful discipleship tools for everyone, especially for children of all ages. If you have any questions, the fellowship meal is a great time to get help and encouragement from others. That's what we are here for!

**True Life Cards** | We encourage you to pick up some True Life Cards in the foyer and give out a few every week. Pray for an opportunity of Gospel conversation with and the salvation of people in the following categories: Family, Friends, Neighbors, Coworkers, Community. Go to [truelife.org](http://truelife.org) for more information.

**Announcements:**

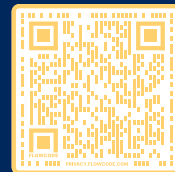
- » Wednesday Nights at 6p
  - Bible Study on the Doctrine of Salvation continues this Wednesday, October 23rd @ 6p. This week we'll continue a study on Death and the Intermediate State. We will be discussing what the Bible says about our own death and the death of others.
- » Night to Shine SETX 2025 Registration is OPEN!
  - Registration for Guests and Volunteers is open for Night to Shine SETX to be held 2/7/25. Register today at [www.nighttoshinesetx.com](http://www.nighttoshinesetx.com).
- » Extra-Cushion Diaper Ministry
  - Outreach Port Arthur will be distributing diapers the second Wednesday of each month from 3-5p. Contact Savannah S if you would like to help
- » Operating:
  - Please remember to be faithful in your tithes and offerings (2 Cor. 9:6-7)
  - Offering plates are at the back of the auditorium, or text "\$amount" to 409-239-0774

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**Our Purpose... To Belong to Christ**

**Our Mission... To Become like Christ**

**Our Vision... To Bear Christ's Fruit**



Welcome Guests!



# Order of Service: October 20, 2024

# Sermon Notes:

Song "Praise the King"

## Welcome

### Catechism/Responsorial Doctrine - God's Word in the Church

114. How does the Holy Spirit bring us to salvation? He uses the Bible, which is the Word of God.

115. How can we know the Word of God? We are commanded to hear, read and search the Scriptures.

116. What is a church? An assembly of believers met together under the preaching of the Word of God.

Memory Verse: Romans 10:17, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ."

### Pray for our Church Body (James 5:16)

David Gillespie

### Pray for Kings and Those in Authority (1 Timothy 2:2)

\*\*\*Pray for Local, State, & National Elections\*\*\*

### Pray for the Great Commission (Luke 10:2)

### New Testament Scripture

2 Corinthians 4:1-6, page 965

### Songs

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

"His Mercy is More"

"Great Are You Lord"

### Old Testament Scripture

Genesis 37, page 31

### Song of the Month | scan QR code for lyrics/video

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" by Thomas Chisholm - 1923

### Message

Eyes that are Open | Matthew 20:29-34, page 825

### Confession/Repentance

### Lord's Supper

"Blessed Assurance"

### Dismissal/Offering

"Doxology"

### Fellowship Luncheon

Please join us in the gym for fellowship and food!



















- the Bible preached? How do you think your life would be different if you did not hear the Bible preached at church in your own language?*
- 2. What does the passage from Proverbs promise that we will gain when we study Scripture, store it up in our hearts, and pray for understanding?*
  - 3. From our study through the catechism thus far, can you name some of the specific things the Bible teaches that lead us to repent and have faith in Christ for our salvation? (God's attributes, God's holy standards, our own ungodliness, Christ's perfect atonement for our sin.)*