

Congregational

THANK YOU

Many thanks to God and Autumn Ridge members for prayers, visits, cards, and meals following my surgery. ~Loni Neal

Thank you for your prayers and love during this time of bereavement for Betty, our wife, mother, and grandmother. ~Howard Kehlenbeck, Colette and Dennis Gilbertson, grandchildren, and their families

SAFE FAMILIES

March training session:
Session 2 - **March 24 from 6-9pm**, in **LC101**.
Contact Joy McAfee, director of Safe Families-Southern MN at joy@safefamiliesmn.org.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARTNER WITH AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH?

Four-week series of membership classes in room LC101.
This is the last opportunity to register.

You can learn more about what makes Autumn Ridge unique as a church and formalize your partnership with us through church membership if that is your desire.

Each class will be offered at three different times:

Saturday, 7pm • Sunday, 9:00am, 10:30am

You are free to attend different class times as needed to fit your schedule.

CLASS DATES

Week 1 ~ March 7/8
Week 2 ~ March 14/15
Week 3 ~ March 21/22
Week 4 ~ March 28/29

Sign up for the spring classes by contacting Dorothy Morris at 288-8880 or Morris.Dorothy@AutumnRidgeChurch.org.



SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER

March 21 Menu:

Irish Stew, Bread Bowls, Corn on the Cob, Apple Amber Dessert

The Saturday Night Dinner is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children (12 and under). Please reserve your dinner by Friday at noon online at AutumnRidgeChurch.org/meals

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CAFE

Join us for hospitality and fellowship in the CENTER, and enjoy food items for the whole family from light, kid-friendly foods to box dinners, even salads and soup. Each à la carte item is either \$.75 or \$1, and box dinners are only \$4. We serve **each Wednesday from 5:15-6:30pm**. No reservations needed.

WELCOME, GUESTS

If you are a first-time guest, stop by the **NEWCOMER CONNECTION** in the lobby by Christos Bookcenter to receive your gifts. The staff at the **NEWCOMER CONNECTION** would like to welcome you and answer any questions you may have.

GIFTS FOR FIRST-TIME GUESTS

Come to the **NEWCOMER CONNECTION** to select a book to take home with you at no charge. Please take a gift bag that includes information about our church and our ministries. The bag also includes a coupon good for a free Saturday Night Dinner for your entire family, a coupon for the Sunday morning **CENTER Café**, and a 10% off coupon for Christos Bookcenter.

New Sermon Series
see more at
www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org

February 28-March 1 JESUS EXPLAINS HIS CROSS Mark 8:27-38	March 21-22 JESUS AT THE LAST SUPPER Mark 14:12-26
March 7-8 JESUS ON THE MOUNTAIN Mark 9:2-13	March 28-29 Palm Sunday JESUS IN THE GARDEN Mark 14:32-51
March 14-15 JESUS AT BETHANY Mark 14:1-11	April 3 Good Friday JESUS ON THE CROSS Mark 15:21-47

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Children are always welcome in our services, but if your child gets fussy, please move to the Parents' Room which is located opposite the Christos Bookcenter.

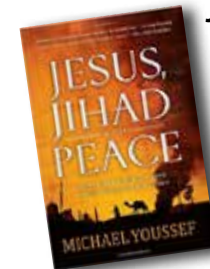
CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Join us Friday evenings for support to become free from addictive, compulsive, and dysfunctional behaviors. Childcare is provided. We have worship at 7:00pm, small groups at 8:00pm, and Solid Rock Cafe at 9:00pm. For more information contact Gary Seaquist at garyseaquist@gmail.com or 287-9101.

Christos Bookcenter

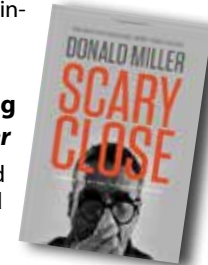
Mon-Thurs: 10am-6pm, Sat: 5-7pm, Sun: 8:30am-12:30pm

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Jesus, Jihad and Peace: What Bible Prophecy Says About World Events Today by Michael Youssef

The goals of Islam lie in the definition of "peace," and apologists of Islam sincerely define Islam as a "religion of peace." Michael Youssef joins others who note "peace" has one meaning for Christians—but a very different meaning for Islamists. He provides insights that are concise and biblically accurate, explaining how trends within Judaism, Christianity, and Islam fit into prophetic history.



Scary Close: Dropping the Act and Finding True Intimacy by Donald Miller

The author speaks about the risks involved in choosing to impress fewer people and connect with more, and about the freedom that comes when we stop acting and start loving. The end result is knocking down old walls to create a healthy mind, a strong family, and a satisfying career.

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Jesus at



Bethany

Saturday
5:30 PM

Sunday
9:00 AM

Sunday
10:30 AM

Our purpose is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
who love God and serve people.

MARCH 14-15, 2015

LOVE • ENGAGE • GO

MONGOLIAN CHILDREN HEADING HOME

This weekend we say "until next time" to our Mongolian friends who have spent time with us during the last month and a half. All of the children's surgeries went well, and they are returning home with new hope for the future. We want to say a special thanks to those Autumn Ridge families who opened their homes, provided the meals, engaged in the conversations, and drove the children to each and every appointment.



Even Song in Holy Communion

Sunday, March 15, 6pm, Timothy Chapel

John and Gretchen Steer invite you to join them for a service of hymns, prayers, scripture readings, and liturgy from The Book of Common Prayer. We will also celebrate Holy Communion. The homily will be given by Luke Cuxton of Ooty, India.



BETHEL CHOIR IN CONCERT

The Bethel University choir will be in concert at Autumn Ridge Church **Wednesday, March 18 at 7:30pm.**

The choir will perform psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs plus a selection of a cappella music. No tickets are required; a freewill offering will be taken.

MARCH OASIS

We will meet in the **Common Grounds, March 17 at 1pm.** A representative from Channel One Food Bank will be speaking. Channel One supplies food for Autumn Ridge's backpack program.

RSVP by Sunday, March 15 to Phyllis Greeson 280-7548 or Bob or Mary Ellen Manthei 281-8044


Next Chapter Ministries
A NETWORK FOR CHANGING LIVES

WILL YOU BE A MENTOR?

Next Chapter Ministries currently needs mentors for a 7-year-old girl, a 6-year-old girl, and two teen girls. Being a mentor is not a program that you have to make time for. It's building relationships with someone by including him or her in what you are already doing...whether it's hanging out at your house, playing games, or reading a book at the library. There are as many ways to do this as there are individuals. Next Chapter has support and training materials for you and will be glad to answer any questions you have about mentoring.

For more information, call 529-5799 or visit www.NextChapterRochester.org.

Next Chapter Ministries is a local organization committed to building lasting relationships with people that have been affected by crime, restoring them to God, family, and community with the Gospel of God.



CONNECT by SERVING

WORSHIP NEEDS FOR PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND
Adult and Child Actors Needed!


March 28-29, we are going to dramatize the Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem during our worship services, and we need actors to join the procession! If you are interested in this dramatic presentation and would like more information, please email Rowe.April@AutumnRidgeChurch.org.

SERVE IN THE WORSHIP MINISTRY

- Are you a skilled musician or vocalist looking to use your gifts for the Lord?
- Would you like to serve on the Technical Arts Team?
- Would you like to serve on the Communion Team?

Contact us for more information!
Vocalists, Praise Choir, or Communion: Rowe.April@AutumnRidgeChurch.org
Band: Bristol.Karl@AutumnRidgeChurch.org
Tech Team: Harrison.Brian@AutumnRidgeChurch.org
Adult Choir and Orchestra: Morris.Dorothy@AutumnRidgeChurch.org

SEND EASTER CARDS
to those who are shut-in or homebound this Easter



You may write to all, some, or one of the individuals below. **Please drop off your cards in the Living Room by Monday, March 16.**

Geraldine Amstutz
Bob Bigelow
Jeanette Boyer
Lee Buskowiak-Johnson
Delores Dalton
Marilyn Dickie
Margaret Fusselman
Jody Gladson
Helen Gusa
Alice Harrison
Beatrice Hill
Hi Lake
Mary Lake
Lorraine Larson
Dale Laun
Vernard Lovhaug
Cletus & Mary Madden
Arvella Neal
Willabelle Nelson
Elsie Niemi
Norma Prince
Herb & Fran Riegler
Morgan & Evelyn Roland
Bob & Grace Sawtell
Sherri Scott
Edna Smith
Wayne Thede
Virgil Wirtjes
Renata Zimmerman

Adventures in Acts:
Building God's Church



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

March 18 Expansion
March 25 Second Mission Trip

devoted hearts 2015



KEEPING IT REAL: REAL WOMEN, REAL FAITH, AND A VERY REAL GOD
April 24-25, 2015
Autumn Ridge Church

Liz Curtis Higgs, Marian Jordan Ellis, and Nicole C. Mullen are this year's guests. Go to www.DevotedHeartsRochester.com for additional information about these women, details about the conference, and to register. Register before March 31, and the ticket price is only \$48. Group tickets are also available. For every 10 tickets purchased, you will receive one complimentary ticket. devotedheartsrochester@gmail.com or call 507-289-2415.



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS
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AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS TRAIL LIFE BOYS

Meets every other Monday 6:15 to 7:45pm
Next meeting: **March 16**


For more information, go to www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/children or email Children@AutumnRidgeChurch.org.



TRAIL LIFE USA
Adventure • Character • Leadership

New to Autumn Ridge? Explore the Ridge

If you are new to Autumn Ridge, the "Explore the Ridge" class is a wonderful way to meet a pastor and explore our facilities. Find us in the Living Room off the main lobby this Sunday at 9:00am or 10:30am.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLUBS
6:30 – 8:00pm
K15 Preschool – 5th Grade
March Meeting Dates: 3/18, 3/25


DISCIPLEKIDS WEEKEND CLASSES

Saturdays at 5:30pm:
Classes for infant - K15 Preschool

Sundays at 9:00am and 10:30am:
Classes for infant - 5th Grade

Elementary students are encouraged to attend class for one hour and then attend a worship service with their families during another service.

BARNABAS MINISTRY
Sundays at 10:30am in the **Maninka Room**
Kids and teens with disabilities are invited to join us for a class on Sundays.



March: New Hats
Benefitting: Heavenly Hats
See flyer at any Children's check-in station for more information.

Young Adult Ministries



SINGLES BIBLE STUDY


Tuesday nights at 7:00pm. Meeting in March at the home of Al & Marilyn Leske (2417 19th Street NW, Rochester).

DAVE KRAFT COMING TO AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH

On **Friday, March 20 (6-9pm)** and **Saturday, March 21 (8am-2:30pm)** author, speaker, and leadership coach, Dave Kraft will be at ARC. He will walk us through the blind spots and mistakes that most often catch ministry leaders off-guard. The *Mistakes Leaders Make* seminar is being hosted by the Student Ministry Department of Autumn Ridge and is free and open to anyone interested in growing as a leader. Visit AutumnRidgeChurch.org/students to register.



Student Ministries



Mosaic Student Night:
Sundays, 5:30-7:00pm
(Not meeting March 29 or April 5)

Middle School Small Groups:
Sundays (during Mosaic)
(Not meeting March 29 or April 5)

High School Small Groups:
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm
(Not meeting April 1)

IMPORTANT DATES:

Eternal Elegance
March 14, 7:00pm
\$10 per student and \$5 per guest

Missions Trip Training
March 15



A Night at the Derby

ETERNAL ELEGANCE
MARCH 14, 2015
7:00 PM

6th - 12th Grade
\$10 per student / \$5 per guest
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR