

## Congregational

### THANK YOU

The Family of Irene Johnson would like to thank Pastor John for all his support for Mom. We also would like to thank Pastor Woody for being part of the service and David & Kevin Lake for singing and trumpet playing as well as Katherine Solmonson for playing the piano for Mom's funeral. You all made this such a special day in remembering our Mom. We would also like to thank our church family for all your prayers, support, and cards that you have sent us. It all meant so very much to us. God Bless you all.

~ Carolyn & Gary Benson and Family

### SYMPATHY

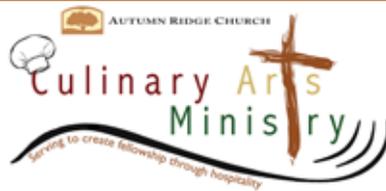
We extend our sympathy to Kevin and Sandy Baker on the death of Kevin's mother, Emily, who passed away on March 20.

We extend our sympathy to Dave and Lois Marris and their family on the death of Dave's mother on March 19.

We extend our sympathy to Mary Madden and her family on the death of her husband, Cletus, who died on March 17.

### CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Matthew Poland, who will be playing professional soccer in Finland with Sporting Kristina. He signed with the team last week. Well done, Matthew!



### SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER

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](http://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.

### OUR GIVING TO GOD

Given Last Week

Offerings: **\$ 82,775**

*Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.*

1 Timothy 6:18

# LEAD UP

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### MEN'S LEAD UP CONFERENCE

Friday, April 10: 7:00-9:30pm  
Saturday, April 11: 8:30-11:30 am

**\$30 Advance Registration**  
**\$35 at the Door**  
At Autumn Ridge Church

Join nationally-known speaker, Dr. Rick Rigsby, for a weekend of powerful biblical teaching. Rick is a favorite speaker at Promise Keepers, Wildfire, Men at the Cross, and Iron Sharpens Iron. In addition, Dr. Rigsby speaks in chapel services for teams in the National Football League.

Register at [www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org](http://www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org).

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**Steven Curtis Chapman**  
with Brandon Heath  
Love & the Outcome  
and Ellie Holcomb  
Friday May 8, 7 PM

\$25 and \$35

*The best in Christian music today,  
back after selling out overnight four years ago.*

[AutumnRidgeChurch.org](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org)

**ONLY 100 SEATS REMAINING!**  
**TIME IS RUNNING OUT**

## 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](http://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.

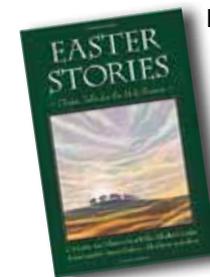
## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

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](mailto:garyseaquist@gmail.com) or 287-9101.

## Christos Bookcenter

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

[ChristosOfAutumnRidge.com](http://ChristosOfAutumnRidge.com) • 507-252-9090



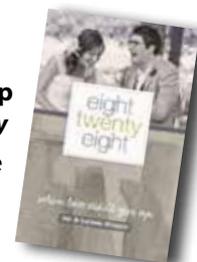
**Easter Stories: Classic Tales for the Holy Season**  
Compiled by *Miriam LeBlanc*

This new collection of short stories sheds light on the deeper meaning of Easter. Stories were selected for their spiritual value and literary quality. Children love to hear these captivating stories from world-famous storytellers such as C.S. Lewis, Leo Tolstoy, Oscar Wilde, and more as they are read aloud year after year.

### Eight Twenty Eight: When Love Didn't Give Up

by *Ian and Larissa Murphy*

The authors share their story of love as husband and wife. They love one another, laugh together, and seek to serve God together while dealing with brain injury resulting from a car accident. They discovered how persistent their love and God's love could be despite a world marked by suffering.



### Equipping Ministers of Autumn Ridge Church

Senior Pastor ..... C. John Steer  
Executive Pastor, Children ..... Pat Wester  
Adoration Worship ..... Allen Hightower  
Students ..... Jason Motte, James Allen  
Community & Leadership Dev. .... Andy Kumpel  
Ministry Development ..... Karen Foster  
Care and Enrichment ..... Dan Farm  
Missions ..... Woody Roland  
Next Chapter Ministries ..... Andy Kilen

### 2015 Elder Board

Brad Anderson (chair), Jim Baber, George Beech,  
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RidgeLines deadline is 1 week prior to published date



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**RIDGELINES**  
THE WEEKLY JOURNAL OF AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH

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# Hosanna!



**Good Friday Service: 7:00pm**  
*No childcare provided.*

**Easter Weekend Services:**  
Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:30am, 9:45am, 11:00am  
*Four identical services. Childcare provided.*

**Easter Sunrise Service: 7:00am**  
*No childcare provided.*

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 28-29, 2015**



### COMING BACK TO THE STATES

**Jon and Elissa K.** have written to let us know they will be leaving their country of service this coming summer and returning to the States. Their plan is to finish the university school year with the students. They are also making every effort to keep the Deep Green Project viable after their departure. They would value your prayers as they begin to make arrangements to return to the States.

**Dan and Anna A.** have made a move back to Minnesota. Adjustments to "home" culture are not always easy. Please keep them in your prayers in these crucial weeks and months.

### BENEVOLENT FUND GIVING

At our Good Friday Service, we will be taking an offering for the Benevolent Fund. This offering enables us to help those in our congregation who are struggling financially.

Over the years, the church has been able to help many individuals with rent, a utility bill, or a voucher for groceries or gas. Please help if you can.

Look for a postcard in the mail about this opportunity. You may also give online at [www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/giving](http://www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/giving).



### JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

When Next Chapter Ministries started going into the Juvenile Detention Center for Bible Studies, we quickly realized the teens were hungry for resources, books to read, anything to lift their spirits. The teen girls in particular struggle with the idea they are Princesses in God's eyes. We have been giving them *His Princess* and *His Princess Warrior* by Sheri Rose Sheperd to help them overcome that doubt, and it is an AMAZING resource.

Please consider making a donation, either by ordering from Christos, or making a financial contribution so we can make those purchases. Books or contributions can be dropped off at 720 3rd Ave SE. Thank you for helping us to spread the Good News.

For more information, call 529-5799 or visit [www.NextChapterRochester.org](http://www.NextChapterRochester.org).



### BAKLAVA, TURKISH COFFEE, AND THE HOLY LAND

You are invited to a presentation by those who recently returned from the Holy Land.

Travelers will have souvenirs from their pilgrimage on display, and there will be a slide presentation and time for questions. Baklava pastry and Turkish coffee will be served.

All are welcome. Please join us on **March 29 from 2:30-4:00pm in The Upper Room** (2nd room on the right when you enter from the skybridge (Door 3)).

### SEEKING CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

We are seeking a qualified individual to work fulltime (32 hrs/wk) with our Children's Ministries Team at Autumn Ridge Church.

This person will be responsible for assisting the Children's Ministries staff in administrative support functions. Excellent computer skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher are essential.

This person will also oversee the Children's Welcome Desk, assisting in recruiting and training volunteers, and will work as a part of the Children's Ministries Team to implement the vision of Autumn Ridge Church in the lives of children.

Contact Pastor Pat Wester at 288-8880 or e-mail [wester.pat@AutumnRidgeChurch.org](mailto:wester.pat@AutumnRidgeChurch.org) for additional information.



We serve a wonderful meal just before Kids' Club on Wednesday nights. Come join our team to serve up meals and help clean up from 5-7. (You can sign up for just one time or once a month.) Contact Christopher Zoellner, Culinary Arts Director, at 288-8880 or [kitchen@AutumnRidgeChurch.org](mailto:kitchen@AutumnRidgeChurch.org).

### 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](http://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](mailto:devotedheartsrochester@gmail.com) or call 507-289-2415.



### AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS TRAIL LIFE BOYS

Meets every other Monday 6:15 to 7:45pm

Next meeting: **April 6**

For more information, go to [www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/children](http://www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/children) or email

[Children@AutumnRidgeChurch.org](mailto:Children@AutumnRidgeChurch.org).



### Adventures in Acts: Building God's Church



### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

April 1 No WBS lecture - Spring Break  
April 8 Building Churches



### WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLUBS

April 1: No Kids' Club - Spring Break

### DISCIPLEKIDS

### WEEKEND CLASSES

April 5: NO K-5th Grade classes on Easter

### SAVE THE DATE

#### SHINE Festival

June 15 - 18, 6:00 - 8:00pm

Harriet Bishop and Bamber Valley Schools

#### Science Camp

June 29 - July 2, 9:00 - 11:30am

Children completing 3rd - 5th Grades

#### FCA Youth Sports Camp

July 6 - 9, RCTC Field House

Children completing 1st - 7th Grades

#### Art Camp

July 13 - 16, 9:00 - 11:30am

Children completing 3rd - 5th Grades

#### Creation Camp

July 27 - 30, 9:00 - 11:30am

Children completing K - 5th Grade

#### Upward Soccer

August 3 - October 10

Registration begins April 27

Children entering K - 5th Grade in the fall

For information and registration go to [www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/soccer](http://www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/soccer)



March: New Hats

Benefitting: Heavenly Hats

See flyer at any Children's check-in station for more information.

## Student Ministries



### Mosaic Student Night:

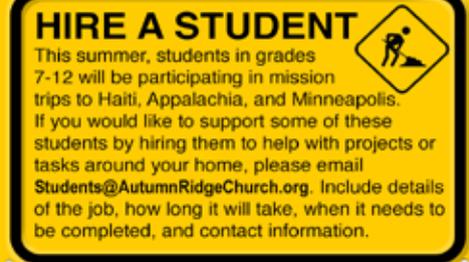
Not meeting March 29 or April 5 (Sundays, 5:30-7:00pm)

### Middle School Small Groups:

Not meeting March 29 or April 5 (Sundays during Mosaic)

### High School Small Groups:

Not meeting April 1 (Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm)



## MOMS AND TEEN DAUGHTERS

Save the Date!

Healing Hearts Walking Together Conference: Oct. 3, 2015



## REGISTER FOR FAMILY CAMP

Family Camp is August 1-7, 2015

Charlie Cleverly, our speaker for this year, is coming all the way from England. Please pick up a registration form at the Info Link or in the Living Room. Registration information is included on the form. Register soon, as space and lodging options are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Questions about Camp? Email Pastor Andy Kumpel at [Kumpel.Andy@AutumnRidgeChurch.org](mailto:Kumpel.Andy@AutumnRidgeChurch.org) or Mark Foley at [markkfoley@hotmail.com](mailto:markkfoley@hotmail.com).

[www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/familycamp](http://www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/familycamp)

## Connected Families WORKSHOP

### Kids and Screen Time: How to End the Family Feud

April 18 | 9:00am - 12:00pm



Jim & Lynne Jackson

- Keep technology from saturating your time and negatively impacting relationships
- Engage your child in conversation
- Model self-control and balance

Tickets \$10/person, or \$15/person at the door

Childcare available, if registered by Wednesday, April 10

Purchase tickets and register online at [AutumnRidgeChurch.org](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org)