



November 5-6, 2016

Ridge Lines: CONNECTING TO
THE AUTUMN RIDGE COMMUNITY



2016 Missions Festival THIS WEEK!

- **November 5, 6**
Matthew Soerens in all services.
- **November 6, 10:30am**
Meet missionaries in the *Upper Room*
- **Tuesday, November 8, 7:00pm**
Dessert with the Missionaries,
Common Grounds Cafe
- **Friday, November 11 – 7:00pm**
Fish Sticks Comedy
(*Be a missionary and bring a friend!*)
- **November 12, 13**
Dr. Rob Bynjolfson at all services.
- **November 13, 10:30am**
Meet missionaries in the *Upper Room*

Welcome, Guests!

We pray that you are encouraged by the love of Christ as you worship with us. We strive to create a grace- and hope-filled environment where you can take your next step toward Christ!

Please fill out a **Connection Card** from the rack in front of your chair, and bring it to the **Connection Center** in the lobby. The staff would love to meet you, answer questions, and give you a gift bag that includes a coupon for Christos Bookcenter and tickets for a complimentary Saturday night meal or Sunday morning coffee and pastries at one of our **HotSpots**.

Children are always welcome in our worship services. If your child becomes fussy, we can direct you to spaces which will allow you to see and hear what is going on in the services while attending to your child's needs.



Extending the Truth Conversation Starter:

"How would you describe your father and his impact on your life?"

We are embracing a year-long focus called Extend the Truth. Want to engage in a conversation with your colleague, neighbor, family, or friend? Above is a simple conversation starter we can use to start learning more about them . . . so we can start loving them more.

AN EVENING OF
IMPROV COMEDY

FRIDAY WITH
FISH STICKS!

AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11
7 PM

VIP Tickets
Meet and Greet
The Sticks
after the show!

\$20



Join us for
all the fun!

Tickets
\$10 for one;
additional tickets
are only
\$5!!

AutumnRidgeChurch.org/fish-sticks



extend
the **TRUTH**

Invite people you care about to share a bit of time with you and other members of your church family here at Autumn Ridge.

It's not church-y jokes about church-y things. The comedy will be accessible, relevant, and clean - and just as funny to your friends as to you.

CONNECT BY SERVING

Do you have a passion for entertaining people in your home? You could incorporate that same passion for hospitality into one of the HotSpots at Autumn Ridge Church. Relationships form and strengthen, newcomers feel welcomed and valued, and people see God's love and grace in action through hospitality. Let us know you would like to help with a Hospitality HotSpot. On the job training is provided! Call 507.288.8880 or e-mail us at erving@AutumnRidgeChurch.org.

Elder Board Opportunity

Every year several spots open for new elder board members.

If you are interested in providing vision and leadership for the Autumn Ridge congregation and meet the requirements, please contact Mark Foley at markkfoley@hotmail.com or **507-250-7345** to be considered for 2017.

Each elder serves a 3 year term, attends a monthly meeting, and usually sits on one or more other committees involving many other church oversight tasks.

The requirements for serving as an elder are found in Titus 1:5-9 and 1 Timothy 3:1-7. You must also have been a member of Autumn Ridge Church for at least one year.

Learn about the Thanksgiving
Day Gobble Wobble at

[AutumnRidgeChurch.org/
gobble-wobble](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/gobble-wobble)



DRESS UP!



AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH MINISTRY EVENTS

children (Infant-Grade 5)

Don't know where to go? Check out the Children's Welcome Desk in the lobby.

Saturdays, 5:30pm: Infant-PreK

Sundays, 9 & 10:30am: Infant-Grade 5

Wednesdays, 6:30pm: Kids' Club (PreK-Grade 5)

Barnabas (Special Needs): Sundays, 10:30am

American Heritage Girls (ages 5-18): Monday,

Nov. 7, 6:15pm - Children's Wing

Trail Life USA (Boys K-Grade 7): Monday, Nov 7, 6:15pm - Timothy Chapel

Children's Christmas Musical Registration:

Online registration open until November 17

1 Thing for November: Shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Packing instructions and labels are available at the Operation Christmas Child table in the Lobby this weekend. Filled boxes should be dropped off no later than 11:00am on November 20.

students (Grades 6-12)

Mosaic, Sundays, 5:30pm - Summit Room

Middle School Life Groups, Sundays, 5:30pm

High School Life Groups: Wednesdays, 6:30pm

college-aged (ages 18-24)

Sundays, 7:30pm: in the Lighthouse

fusion (Single Young Adults)

Tuesdays, 7:00pm: in the Lighthouse

men

Men's Bible Study Fellowship: Tuesdays, 6:30pm - Upper Room

Wednesday Men's Study: 6:30pm - Upper Room

Men's Bible Study: Fridays, 6:00am - Upper Room

women

Women's Bible Study: Wednesdays 9:30am & 6:30pm. Numbers: the 40 Year Detour. Wk 9 - Stuck in the Desert: Sure Blessing of God - Svea Merry

A Time for Women: Thursday, Nov. 10, 6:30pm - Summit Room

Side by Side (medical spouses): Fridays, 9:15am - Summit Room

missions & local outreach

2016 Missions Festival: see cover for details

general events & classes

Adult Bible Study: Book of Revelation

Sundays, 10:30am - Upper Room

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays, 6:30pm - Sanctuary

Volleyball

Tuesdays, 6:30pm - CENTER Gym

Celebrate Recovery

Fridays, 7:00pm - Upper Room

Precept Study (men and women)

Tuesdays, 9:30am and 7:00pm - Luther Room

Acts Part 2: Jesus' Witnesses to the Gentiles

Grief Support Group

Thursdays, 6:30pm, Luther Room

Caregiver Support Group

Saturday, Nov 12, 10:00am - Luther Room

Safe Families Informational Meeting

Sunday, Nov 13, 10:30am - Edwards Room

OASIS (Seniors) Thanksgiving at the Steers':

Friday, Nov, 18, 12:00pm. RSVP to Linda Ferguson at 282-7113.

More information about our activities are available at AutumnRidgeChurch.org or the church app.

A TIME FOR WOMEN
...to relax ...to enjoy ...to connect
Thursday, Nov, 10
6:30 - 8:30pm
Hospitality and
Sign Language
Demonstrations
We're Growing!
NEW LOCATION: Summit Room



AUTUMN RIDGE WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS
Wrapped in Love...
Sharing the Gift
Mary Beth Carlson
Thursday, December 1, 2016 | 7:00 PM
Autumn Ridge Church - Sanctuary
\$ 10 Concert w/Dessert
AutumnRidgeChurch.org/wrapped-in-love



Congregational News

Our **SYMPATHY** to the families of Andy and Jim Tlougan. Their father, Bernard Tlougan, died on October 29.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING: \$ 57,541

MISSIONS THIS WEEK

Don't forget at **10:30 am on Sunday, November 6 and Sunday, November 13**, you will have a special opportunity to meet several of our missionaries in the Upper Room, directly across from the upstairs reception desk. This is your chance to hear about their work and ask them some questions. See you there!

CHRISTOS BOOKCENTER

AUTUMNRIDGECHURCH.ORG/BOOKCENTER

TU: 10:30AM - 5PM | WED-FRI: 10AM - 5PM | SAT: 5 - 7PM | SUN: 8:30AM - 12PM 507-252-9090

Welcoming the Stranger ~by Matthew Soerens and Jenny Hwang

Immigration is a complicated issue. The authors point toward reform that is compassionate, sensible, and just. They offer ways to welcome and minister to our immigrant neighbors.



Seeking Refuge ~Matthew Soerens

Who are refugees and other displaced people? What are the risks and benefits of receiving them? How do we balance compassion and security? This book deals with those issues as we "love our neighbors as ourselves."

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Call the church office at 507.288.8880

Saturday 5:30 pm Band
Sunday 9:00 am Choir & Orchestra
Sunday 10:30 am Band

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Senior Pastor

C. John Steer

Executive Pastor

Pat Wester

Children

Pam Cray

Counseling & Care

Dan Farm

Missions

Woody Roland

Serving

Karen Foster

Group Life

Paul McDonald

Worship

Alan Shoumaker
April Rowe

Students

Jason Motte

Administration

George Beech

Generosity

Bob Stanhope

Would you like to give to Autumn Ridge Church? Simply text ARIDGE to 77977 **

**You will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to ARC (1 msg/request). Please be aware that msg & data rates may apply. For full terms & conditions please visit <https://pushpay.com/terms>. For the privacy policy please visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel.

You may contact our staff via email at:
Lastname.Firstname@AutumnRidgeChurch.org

If you want to contact the Elder Board with your questions or concerns, send an email to elders@autumnridgechurch.org

For a complete listing of our leadership team, please visit the church website at:
www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/leadership