

November 12-13, 2016

*Ridge Lines:* CONNECTING TO  
THE AUTUMN RIDGE COMMUNITY

Loving God. Serving people.

## New Sermon Series "Hot Potatoes"

Topics Christians Like to Avoid

November 19-20: Chastity

November 26-27: Money

December 3-4: Doubt



# 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 complementary 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:

**"What is your greatest strength, and what are you doing to develop it?"**

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.



**SAMARITAN'S PURSE®**

# Good News!



# Great Joy!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** is a terrific way to get involved in the evangelism and discipleship of children around the world!

**extend the TRUTH**

**3 YEARS TRUTH**

**Operation Christmas Child**

## 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.**

## CONNECT BY SERVING

Would you enjoy sharing a warm smile, a welcome greeting, and perhaps a handshake with people coming to worship at Autumn Ridge Church? Then you would be a great Greeter! You might be the first face of Autumn Ridge Church seen by visitors. Joining this team will be a wonderful opportunity to make a positive impact on people's lives. Contact Donna Pfeifer at 507-206-4023 or e-mail her at [dpfeifer7861@charter.net](mailto:dpfeifer7861@charter.net).

## 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](mailto: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) and Trail Life**

**USA (Boys K-Grade 7):** Monday,

Nov. 14, 6:15pm, **Family Bingo** - CENTER gym

**Childrens' Christmas Musical Registration:**

Online registration open until November 17

**1 Thing for November: Shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.**

### 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 10 - The Cost of Sin - Angie Pankratz

**MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers):** Thursday, Nov. 17, 9:15am - Summit Room

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

### missions & local outreach

**Meet Visiting Missionaries:** Sunday, Nov. 13, 10:30am - Upper Room

### 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

**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](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org) or the church app.



Thanksgiving Eve Service  
AND PIE SOCIAL  
NOVEMBER 23 | 7:00PM  
Celebrating the Service People of our Community



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](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/wrapped-in-love)

# Congregational News

**THANK YOU** for your cards, thoughts, and prayers which were very encouraging during my recovery from heart surgery. The Lord was with me and restored me back to health. Your visits, gifts, and food were also much appreciated. –*Shirley Larson*

We extend our **SYMPATHY** to Doug Olness and his family on the death of his mother, Betty, on October 28.

We extend our **SYMPATHY** to Dan Farm and his family on the death of his mother, Pat, on November 2 after a lengthy illness.

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERING: \$ 73,383**

## MISSIONS THIS WEEK

Don't forget at **10:30 am on 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](http://AUTUMNRIDGECHURCH.ORG/BOOKCENTER)

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

### *The Star* ~Michele Breza

This enchanting Christmas story with a great message for children and young adults presents fresh views of the Christmas story. Journey with a tiny Christmas star destined for this event. **Meet Michele in Christos this weekend!**



### *Give Your Child the World: Raising Globally Minded Kids*

*One Book at a Time* ~by Jamie Martin

Build children's lives with a solid foundation. Give them armor and confidence to shield themselves from the world's cynicism, teaching them to persevere in the face of life's conflicts.



## AUTUMN RIDGE CHURCH | loving God serving people

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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](mailto:Lastname.Firstname@AutumnRidgeChurch.org)

If you want to contact the Elder Board with your questions or concerns, send an email to [elders@autumnridgechurch.org](mailto:elders@autumnridgechurch.org)

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