



September 23-24, 2017

Ridge Lines: CONNECTING TO
THE AUTUMN RIDGE COMMUNITY



to be generous

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 in the Common Grounds Cafe.

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.



A little about Autumn Ridge

Our Ministry Focus is to equip followers of Jesus to understand their identity in Christ, discover their God-given gifts, and exercise them in love to build up Christ's kingdom.



Examples of Autumn Ridgers being generous this past year . . .

God is incredibly generous with us. As His children, we are to imitate Him in our generosity. Proverbs 11:24 in *The Message* sums up generosity well:

“The world of the generous gets bigger and bigger,
and the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.”

Like many things in Christian teaching, this presents us with a profound paradox. God loves a cheerful giver and He does great things with them!



ARCIWAYS
THE PATH TO PARTNERSHIP

Want to learn more about Autumn Ridge Church
or how to become a member?

For more information, go to
www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org/membership
or e-mail Membership@AutumnRidgeChurch.org

Class series is three weeks long and all classes are offered three times each weekend. Pick the time that works best for your schedule.

Saturdays, 7:00 pm and Sundays, 9:00 & 10:30 am
October 7/8, October 14/15, October 21/22

- Our history, God’s gift of salvation
- Our purpose, personality and beliefs
- Our organization and where we’re going
- How God made you for His purpose

Secrets for Lifelong Romance
(INCLUDING THE LITTLE THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR IMPROVEMENT)

with GREG AND ERIN SMALLEY

FRIDAY, OCT. 27
6:00-8:30pm
SATURDAY, OCT. 28
7:30am-12:00pm

www.AutumnRidgeChurch.org to register

Returning to the Autumn Ridge Arts Series: *Tim Hawkins*
November 11
3:00pm | 7:30pm

AutumnRidgeChurch.org/arts for tickets

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.

See a K followed by a number (K18, K19, etc.)?

The number = the year a child starts Kindergarten.

Saturdays, 5:30pm: Infant-5th Grade

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

Barnabas (Special Needs): Sundays, 10:30am, LC102

Wednesday Night Clubs: K18-Grade 5,

6:30-8:00pm. **Class Color Night:** each class

wears a different color. Stompers, **ORANGE.**

1st Grade, **PURPLE.** 2nd, **YELLOW.** 3rd, **GREEN.**

4th, **BLUE.** 5th, **RED.**

American Heritage Girls (ages 5-18): Sept. 25,

6:15pm, Children's wing

Trail Life USA (boys K-7th Grade): Sept. 25,

6:15pm, Timothy Chapel

Helping Hands: Sept 28, 9:30am, Children's wing

1 Thing: Paper products for Next Chapter

students (Grades 6-12)

Mosaic: Mosaic does NOT meet Sept. 24.

Middle School Retreat: September 22-24

High School Color Wars III: September 24

High School Life Groups: September 27, 6:30pm

men

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF):

Mondays, 6:30pm, Upper Room

Men's Coffee Club, Discussions, and Presentations:

Wednesdays, 9:30am - Upper Room

Men's Wed. Night Bible Study: 6:30pm, Upper Room

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

fusion (Single Young Adults)

Tuesdays, 7:00pm: in the Lighthouse

missions & local outreach

Interested in serving locally?

Check out your options on the local serving portal: AutumnRidgeChurch.org/mercyng.

women

#WhenLifeStinks Bible Study: Wednesdays, 9:30am & 6:30pm, Common Grounds Cafe

Widows Life Group: Sunday, Sept. 24,

1pm Potluck in Luther Room A.

Widows@AutumnRidgeChurch.org

October 6-8 Weekend at Elizabeth Lodge.

AutumnRidgeChurch.org/events

A Time for Women Craft Day: Saturday,

Sept. 30, 8:00am, Summit Room

general events & classes

Financial Peace University

Sundays, 9:00am - Upper Room

Adult Bible Study: The Reformation

Sundays, 10:30am - Upper Room

October marks the 500th anniversary of Martin

Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of the

Castle Church in Wittenberg. The class will

look at the historical and social context of the

reformation and the Scripture that propelled it forward.

Unity English (English language class)

9:00am, Den Rooms

Precept Study: Book of James

Tuesdays, 9:30am & 7:00pm in Luther Room A

Volleyball: Tuesdays, 6:30pm - CENTER Gym

CPR Class: Sept. 28, 6:00pm, Edwards Room

Celebrate Recovery

Fridays, 7:00pm - Upper Room

Side By Side (medical spouses)

Fridays, 9:30am, Summit Room

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



High School Students
September 24
5:30 - 7:00 PM
COLOR WAR III
FREE



Grief Support Group
New Support Group for people who have lost a loved person through death.
Thursdays starting October 5, 2017
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. for 8 weeks
Luther Room B

Congregational News

We extend our **SYMPATHY** to Ellie Braun on the death of her husband, Mike, on September 11.

GREETINGS FROM PASTOR STEER

This weekend I am speaking at Eagle Rock Baptist Church in Los Angeles. This is the fellowship I served before coming to Autumn Ridge 28 years ago. It is their 90th church anniversary. The planning committee thought it would be nice to invite back all the former pastors. To their consternation (and mine), they discovered I was the only one still alive! I look forward to seeing you next weekend when we begin our new series on Sola Power as we look at *Sola Scriptura, Only the Bible*.

Giving to God's Work Last Week: \$ 66,863

MISSIONS THIS WEEK

Please stop by the Children's Heart Project table in the lobby, find out how you can help, and meet the Bolivian children with their parents and interpreters. We are honored to have them with us for their life-saving heart surgeries in partnership with Samaritan's Purse and Mayo Clinic.

Paul and Rheinild S. are also with us today from International Association for Refugees. Stop by their table and get acquainted. See how you can get involved!



CHRISTOS BOOKCENTER

AUTUMNRIDGECHURCH.ORG/BOOKCENTER

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

The Gifts of Imperfection ~by Brene Brown

We face messages from society and media telling us how we should be, making us feel inadequate. Brown cultivates courage, compassion, and conviction; you are worthy of love and belonging!



Daring Greatly: How the Courage to Be Vulnerable Transforms the Way We Live, Love, Parent, and Lead ~by Brene Brown

Many people feel isolated. Brown shines a light, helping us live more wholehearted lives of courage, engagement and purpose. She speaks with wisdom, wit, candor, and a sense of humanity.



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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

Care
Karen Foster

Next Generations
Jason Motte

Missions
Woody Roland

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Bob Stanhope

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Jamie Robinson
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Paul McDonald

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**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