



January 27-28, 2018

*Ridge Lines:* CONNECTING TO  
THE AUTUMN RIDGE COMMUNITY



*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.



## Devoting Ourselves to Prayer in 2018

Over thirty events in Scripture describe how Jesus would often slip away to pray. Jesus modeled a life of prayer that empowered His ministry. Prayer saturated every aspect of Christ's life and ministry as it should ours. Let's devote ourselves to prayer as we begin this new year. (*Colossians 4:2*)



# Michael W. Smith

returns to the Autumn Ridge Arts Series with full band  
special guest **Nathan Tasker**

Surrounded by a Million Lights Tour

**7:00pm**  
**Thursday, March 8, 2018**

## TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are available two ways: ONLINE NOW or excellent seats will be available in all price ranges in the lobby next weekend. Details available at the Autumn Ridge Arts Series webpage: [AutumnRidgeChurch.org/arts](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/arts)

## CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 3 and 4, 2018

We will celebrate the ways God worked through our ministries in 2017 and look forward in anticipation and hope as we move ahead in 2018. Our Annual Meeting will be held at two different times: **SATURDAY, FEB. 3 AT 7:05pm** in the Common Grounds and **SUNDAY, FEB. 4 AT 10:35am** in the Upper Room. Members will vote to approve the budget and elders starting a new term. If you are not a member, you are still welcome to join us. A summary budget is available in advance upon request by contacting Pastor Pat Wester at [Wester.Pat@AutumnRidgeChurch.org](mailto:Wester.Pat@AutumnRidgeChurch.org). Elders will be at the tables next to the main entrance after each service Jan 20/21 and Jan 27/28 to answer any questions about the budget and oversight of the church.

### Bring your spouse and relax...

**STAYING IN LOVE  
MARRIAGE RETREAT**  
February 2-4 at the Elizabeth Lodge

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



**Trafficking  
Justice  
& the  
Super Bowl**

**Sandwiches & Sodas - January 28**  
In the Common Grounds following the 10:30 service



**Preschool Pajamas  
and Pancakes**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 9-11AM**

Breakfast followed by  
Valentine's Crafts

**\$10 per family**

Register on the Children's website

*young couples lunch*

Dating? Engaged? Married?  
Come join us  
January 28th  
Five-West  
Meet at Connection Center after 10:30 service

## 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 Kids' Club:** 6:30-8:00pm

*Souper Bowl Night: bring a can of soup for In His Name food shelf. Dress in your favorite sports team's attire.*

**January 1 Thing:** Canned Food Drive for In His Name

**February 1 Thing:** Service Care Packages

**Coming Up:**

*Feb 3: Preschool Pajamas and Pancakes  
Register on the Children's webpage*

### students (Grades 6-12)

**Mosaic (Grades 9-12):** Sunday, 5:30-7:00pm

**Middle School Tubing:** Jan. 28, 5:00-8:00pm at Ironwood Springs

**High School Life Groups:** Wednesdays, 6:30pm

**Save the Date**

*Winter Retreat: Feb. 9-11*

*Spring Formal: March 16*

### fusion (Single Young Adults)

**Tuesdays, 7:00pm:** in the Lighthouse

### 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

### women

**Women's Bible Study: Gospel of John**

*Wednesdays, 9:30am & 6:30pm*

**Side By Side (medical spouses):** Fridays, 9:00am, Summit Room

### missions & local outreach

**Somali Adult Literacy Training (SALT)**

*Saturday, Feb. 3, 8:30am-3:00pm. Register at [AutumnRidgeChurch.org/events](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/events).*

### general events & classes

**Adult Bible Study:** Sundays, 10:30am - Upper Room

**Precept Study:** Joshua: Conquering Your Enemies

*Tuesdays, 9:30am or 7:00pm, Luther Room*

**Volleyball:** Tuesdays, 6:30pm - CENTER Gym

**Celebrate Recovery** Fridays, 7:00pm - Upper Rm

More information about our activities are available at [AutumnRidgeChurch.org](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org) or the church app.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018**

**8:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

**SOMALI ADULT LITERACY TRAINING**

In partnership with



...and Friendship Place

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

**COMEDY NIGHT**  
WITH  
**BARNES & MINER**

**Friday, February 23, 2018 @ 7PM**  
[AutumnRidgeChurch.org/comedy](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/comedy)

**CAMP VICTORY**

GRADES  
6-12



**\$ 85**

WINTER RETREAT  
2018

**FEBRUARY 9-11**

something old...  
**SPRING FLING 2018**  
something new...



Autumn Ridge Church  
Saturday, March 17, 2018  
7:00 - 9:00pm | The CENTER  
[AutumnRidgeChurch.org/springfling2018](http://AutumnRidgeChurch.org/springfling2018)

# Congregational News

We express our **SYMPATHY** to Tom Meloy on the death of his father, George Edward Meloy, on December 30.

We extend our **SYMPATHY** to Harold Baxter and family whose sister, Eileen Gilbert, died on January 17.

**LAST WEEK'S GIVING TO GOD'S WORK: \$ 88,282**

## MISSIONS THIS WEEK

Autumn Ridge missionary, Hiram J. is very busy in his role as the Assistant Crisis Consultant with Africa Inland Mission. He is in the process of reviewing AIM's current plans and policies, as well as reviewing standards and best practices for missionary security. As a family, they continue to shop for a vehicle. All vehicles are imported in Kenya and have very high taxes... this means they are expensive! Please pray Hiram and Jessalyn find the right vehicle at the right time.

## 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

### *Prayers for Difficult Times for Kids ~by Matt Koceich*

This useful guide of short prayer starters will help young boys and girls pray confidently in situations that deal with bullies, disappointment, anxiety, or death of a loved one.



### *Apologetics for a New Generation ~by Sean McDowell*

Those serious about affecting the lives of young people for Christ should capture the insight and wisdom contained in this book to enable them to to defend their faith Christ.



## 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

**Care**  
Karen Foster

**Next Generations**  
Jason Motte

**Missions**  
Woody Roland

**Worship**  
Jamie Robinson  
Alan Shoumaker

**Administration**  
George Beech

**Life Groups & Serving**  
Paul McDonald

**Generosity**  
Bob Stanhope

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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)