



Ridge Community Guide

October 18, 2026

Celebrations

What was something from this past week or two that made you give thanks or praise?

Connection

Tell us about a time someone's actions, (not just their words), proved to you that they cared about you.

Prayer

Pray about the celebrations or what someone has shared

Scripture Reading

James 2:14-26

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C O M M U N I T Y
C I T Y

Conversation

1. In vv. 14 - 17 James describes someone offering kind words without helping a person who needs food or clothing.

- a. What might that look like in our lives today?
 - b. What sometimes keeps us from moving beyond words to practical help?
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2. The sermon emphasized that real faith includes both belief and action. Can you share an example of someone whose actions helped you see what faith in Jesus looks like?

3. In Romans 3:28 the Apostle Paul says that we are justified (made right with God) through faith and not works (what we do). But in James 2:24, he says that we are considered righteous by what we do and not by faith alone. How do you explain the difference between what Paul says and what James says?

4. Abraham acted because he trusted God's promise, even when he couldn't see how things would work out. Where do you find it difficult to trust God enough to obey him?

5. In John 15:5 Jesus said that branches bear fruit by remaining in the vine.

- a. What helps you remain close to Jesus?
 - b. How have you seen that relationship produce changes in the way you treat others?
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6. Abraham and Rahab had very different backgrounds, yet both demonstrated living faith. Have you ever felt that your past, limited knowledge, or lack of a leadership role made your faith less significant? How does Rahab's example encourage you?

Spiritual Formation Practices

1. **Faith in Action:** What is one specific way you could act on your faith this week? Think of a person to help, a step of obedience, or a situation in which you need to trust God. How could this group support you?
2. **Integrity Check:** Set aside 10 minutes to honestly journal about one area where your actions and beliefs don't line up, and bring it to God in prayer.

Prayer Requests

Ridge Serves

Food Bank On Wheels (Non-perishables) & **Community Hub** (Clothing) donation bins are located in both entrances.

RidgeKids Needs YOU! | Help Disciple Our Grade 2s!

We're excited about the opportunity to create a new Grade 2 class in RidgeKids, and we'd love your help making it happen!

We're looking for 6-10 volunteers who have a heart for kids and a desire to pour out God's love, build meaningful relationships and help our Grade 2s grow in their faith.

There are opportunities to serve as Small Group Leaders or Small Group Support Volunteers, just once or twice a month, at whichever Sunday service works best for you!

And here's the great part: you'll still get to enjoy worship in the main service! When the kids are dismissed, you'll head down with your group, sit with them for the large group Bible lesson, and then help lead discussion and a fun activity in their Grade 2 small group.

All lessons and resources are provided, so you don't need to be an experienced teacher—just someone willing to show up, love kids and point them toward Jesus!

Small commitment. Big impact. Eternal significance!

Reach out to Kelly (kelly@ridgechurch.ca)

Hearth Provisions: Chef Robbie and his team are looking for volunteers to drive and and/or serve lunches in our elementary kids schools around the district. Lunches are served Wednesday - Friday between 11:00 - 12:30. Reach out at hearthvolunteers@gmail.com

Ridge Reminders

Medical Ethics: Four sessions. Foundations. Beginnings of Life. Addictions. Compassionate Vocations. Starting October 19. Registration online.

Discovering a Biblical Worldview: Discovering a Biblical Worldview is a six-part series designed to support you in faithfully living your life as a Christian within our culture. Starting October 19. Registration online.

Sunday Social: Sunday, October 25 after the 11:00am service in the Lower Auditorium. \$10 per adult and \$5 per kid.

