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Sunday Worship

Sunday At The Ridge 9:30 and 11:00am ET 3021 Williams Rd.

*Welcome

*Worship Songs We Praise You // Not Afraid No Body // Firm Foundation

*Message Reverend Andy Ginn

*Closing Announcement



Walking with Jesus: A Devotion on Luke 24

"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself." — Luke 24:27 (NIV)

Luke 24 is a powerful chapter that captures the awe and wonder of Jesus' resurrection. It tells the story of the empty tomb, the encounter on the road to Emmaus, and Jesus appearing to His disciples. Through these events, we see how Jesus transforms doubt into belief, despair into hope, and fear into faith.

One of the most striking moments in this chapter is when Jesus walks alongside two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They are discouraged, confused, and unable to recognize Him. As they share their sorrow over Jesus' death, He patiently listens and then begins to open the Scriptures to them, revealing how everything points to Him.

How often do we walk a similar road filled with uncertainty, questioning God's plan, and struggling to see Jesus in our circumstances? Yet, just as He did with those disciples, Jesus walks with us, even when we don't recognize Him. He meets us in our doubts, our disappointments, and our fears. When we spend time in His Word, He opens our hearts and minds to the truth of who He is and what He has done for us.

Later, as Jesus breaks bread with them, their eyes are opened, and they recognize Him. This moment reminds us that Jesus reveals Himself in intimate moments through Scripture, prayer, and communion with Him.

Application:

1. Seek Jesus in Scripture: Just as He explained the Scriptures to His

disciples, Jesus speaks to us through His Word. Make it a habit to study the Bible and ask Him to open your eyes to His truth. You can begin with this week's reading plan if you want a place to start.

- 2. Invite Him into Your Journey: Even when we feel lost, Jesus walks with us. Spend time in prayer, asking Him to guide your steps.
- 3. Recognize His Presence: Sometimes, we fail to see Jesus daily. Take time to reflect on how He has been working, even in difficult seasons.

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, thank You for walking with me, even when I don't always recognize Your presence. Open my eyes to see You in Scripture, in my life, and in the moments of everyday grace. Fill my heart with faith and remind me that You are always near. In Your name, Amen.

Live by faith, be known by love, and serve as a voice of hope for others, Andy Ginn



Current Series

Are you a fighting a war within? Sometimes we get held hostage by a version of ourselves we don't want to be. But in this four-part series, Pastor Andy Ginn teaches how to get out of your own way and declare war on the things that are holding you back. You'll never be the same after discovering the secret weapons you need to achieve ongoing victory.



RYM Winter Ski Retreat February 14-17, 2025 at Winterplace Ski Resort in West Virginia!

Click <u>HERE</u> to register.

Winterplace is one of the East's best ski resorts featuring 8 beginner runs, 6 intermediate runs, 4 advanced runs, a terrain park, and a snow tubing hill! We'll also spend time meeting together for worship and devotion sessions where we'll grow closer to one another and focus on how we can grow in Christ as a group. We will stay in really cozy cabins called The Cabins at Pine Haven - just 15 minutes from the slopes.

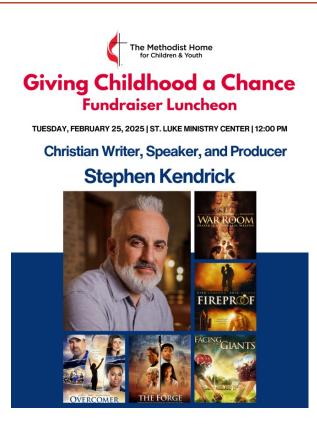
Cost is \$415/student which includes most meals, ski equipment, helmet, lodging, transportation and activities. Students will need extra money with them for 3 fast food meals on the road.

Scholarships are available to all Ridge students to help offset the cost, and if your students needs ski clothes, goggles, etc, we can help you find/borrow/rent the gear they need!



At The Ridge, we believe that life is a team sport -- best done together! There is comfort and power in hearing the words, "Me Too!" God didn't design us to journey alone. Journey Groups are a great way to meet new friends, grow in your relationship with God, and just have fun! Don't miss out. Make sure you register today!

Journey Group Details & Sign Up



I am pleased to invite you to attend the **Methodist Children's Home Fundraiser Lunch on Tuesday, February 25th, at 12:00pm**. As The Ridge has been a proud supporter of this event in previous years, I have committed to hosting a table again this year. There are eight seats available, and I would love for you to be part of it! Please respond as soon as possible to confirm your attendance. If you would like to contribute to the church, to cover the cost of your seat, the amount is \$125 per seat.

This event will feature **Stephen Kendrick** as the guest speaker! We expect an inspiring and impactful time together. I look forward to sharing this opportunity with you.

Blessings, Andy Ginn

Email Andy To Reserve Seats



There are only a couple of weeks left to register for the 2025 Women's Gathering events. Please register today and make plans to join us for this awesome opportunity to grow in your faith, deepen your relationship with God, and make new friends. We will have a game night/dessert bar on Friday, February 28th, at 6:00pm, and on Saturday, March 1st, at 8:30am, we will have a special guest speaker, small group breakouts, and a fun tea party lunch. We'll wrap up at 2pm; you don't want to miss this!

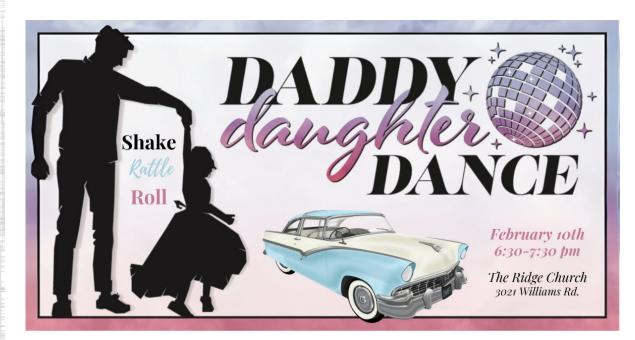
Our theme this year is Woven Together and our guest speaker is Donna Lott. Donna is an author, speaker, Bible teacher, and expert encourager. With God's help, she enjoys nothing more than captivating audiences with stories that entertain and scripture truths that encourage. The Friday night event is free, and the cost for Saturday morning is \$32. Please use the link below to register for these fun events.

Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the Friday night event, and/or click <u>HERE</u> to register for the Saturday event.



2025 Women's Galentine's Brunch & Brushes

Saturday, February 8th, at 9:30am



Break out your leather jackets and poodle skirts for this year's 1950s themed Daddy Daughter Dance! Enjoy a live DJ, Classic Car photo op, & Treats! Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up.

Realm[®] Connect

Please take a moment to update your family pictures and info in the Realm Connect App and help Andy & Leslie get to know us! *Realm* is the church database software we use for records, giving & attendance. The *Connect App* allows church members to view and update your own information and to connect with other families through the church directory. You can also use the Connect app to view your giving history, to initiate mobile check-in for childcare and events, and to log your attendance. If you don't yet have the app, just search "Realm Connect" in your App Store. If you do not yet have a Realm account with the church, please email info@theridgecolumbus.com to request to be added and we will send you an invitation.



"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" – 2 Timothy 3:16, ESV

We are excited to invite you to join us as we seek God's face through His Word in 2025! Starting January 1, we will embark on a church-wide Bible Reading Plan, a meaningful journey to deepen our faith, strengthen our unity as a church family, and grow in our understanding of Scripture.

What to Expect:

• Daily Readings: Each day will feature three passages: a meditation passage to reflect on deeply, and both Old Testament and New Testament passages to read at your own pace.

• Flexibility: You can follow along as outlined or adjust based on your schedule.

WEEK 5 SCHEDULE:

-Meditate: Acts 2:42-47 -Old Testament: Genesis 26 -New Testament: Acts 2	<u>February 8 Saturday</u> -Meditate: Psalm 6:1-4 -Old Testament: Psalm 6	February 11 Tuesday -Meditate: Acts 6:1-7 -Old Testament: Genesis 30 -New Testament: Acts 6
February 6 Thursday -Meditate: Acts 3:1-10 -Old Testament: Genesis 27 -New Testament: Acts 3	<u>February 9 Sunday</u> No Reading: Enjoy your Sabbath!	February 12 Wednesday -Meditate: Acts 7:51-60 -Old Testament: Genesis 31 -New Testament: Acts 7
February 7 Friday -Meditate: Acts 4:32-35 -Old Testament: Genesis 28 -New Testament: Acts 4	February 10 Monday -Meditate: Acts 5:12-16 -Old Testament: Genesis 29 -New Testament: Acts 5	*Congratulations on reading through the month of January!!!*

This is a wonderful chance to engage with God's Word together as a community. Let's make 2025 a year of spiritual growth and unity as we immerse ourselves in Scripture.

For more details, contact andy@theridgecolumbus.com.



The Ridge Church February 2 Series: I Declare War Message: "Speak Like A Wolf" Reverend Andy Ginn Video Link: <u>Click Here</u>



Rose Hill Ministry February 11, 2025 @ 5pm

Our team meets on the second Tuesday of each month to serve the less fortunate in the Rose Hill area. It is a great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ.

For more info: info@theridgecolumbus.com.

- Ridge Youth -

Winter '25

RYM Winter Schedule

Upcoming Events Ski Retreat - February 14-17 Souled Out - June 2-6

Sunday Nights (New: weekly themes)

February 9 – 5:30-8:30pm @ The RYM. *Super Bowl Party* February 16 – Ski Retreat - No Meeting February 23 – 5:30-7:30pm @ The RYM *Deep Dive* March 2 – 5:30-7:30pm @ The RYM *Pray & Share* March 9 – 5:30-8:30pm @ The RYM *Deep Dive* March 16 – 5:30-7:30pm *S.O. Sports Night - Location TBA*

Middle School Small Group

11:20am-12:00noon during the 11:00 service only.

Spring Campaign: Attend.Recruit.Let's Go!

For Spring Semester '25, students who attend at least 75% of Sunday Night Youth meetings (11) will receive 50% off Souled Out (\$225 value). Also, the top 5 students in attendance will receive a fully comped trip to Souled Out! Plus, students who bring a friend on Sunday night will get an entry into a drawing for prizes and a free trip to Souled Out. An entry will be awarded for each guest they bring, each night they bring them through May 4th.

NEW - Band Development Class

The RYM is sponsoring a band development class for Ridge students accompanied by lessons with *Rise* music school. Local worship leaders *John Howard and Claudia White* will be leading the class. Optional (but strongly recommended) private lessons will be available through Rise music school led by

Evan Stancombe.

The class will run from the end of February or beginning of March through the second week of May and will meet 10 times over that timeframe. Lessons through *Rise* are one-on-one and last 30 minutes each. Lesson times can be worked out with each instructor.

Through a generous donation, the church will be able to cover a significant portion of the class and lesson costs! Click <u>HERE</u> for more info and to register!

Questions? - Contact Nathan at 706-464-7548 or <u>nathan@theridgecolumbus.com</u>.



Parent and Student GroupMe

We have a student and a parent GroupMe account to help keep everyone up to date on what's going on in student ministry. GroupMe is a group texting app that's a great forum for staying connected and asking questions. If you or your student would like to be added, just text or email Nathan at 706-464-7548 and nathan@theridgecolumbus.com.

RidgeRunners

Children's Ministry



February Themes

Pre-K: "Through the Roof" Elementary: Honesty

Hey Parents!

Our Li'l RidgeRunners theme is "Through the Roof". We're learning about the love and healing power of Jesus and the faith we can have in him. (Romans 12:13)

Bible Point: God helps me care and share.

This month in Elementary RidgeRunners, we're talking about being honest with others, ourselves and God. (Proverbs 12:22)

Car Talk:

- 1. Why do we sometimes tell a lie?
- 2. Have you ever been lied to? How did it make you feel?
- 3. Why does God want us to always tell the truth?

Memory Verse:

"The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in people who are trustworthy." Proverbs 12:22

Children's Rooms

Check-in for all ages will be at the kiosks just inside the RidgeRunners entrance doors.

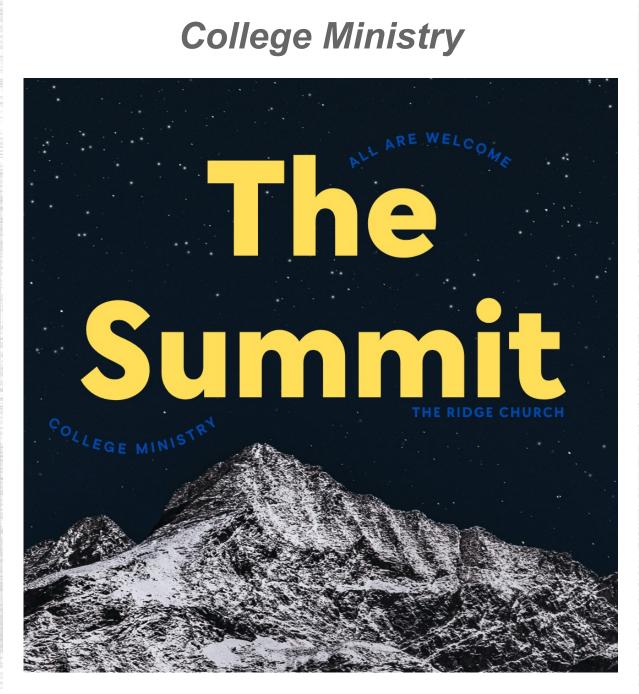
Elementary RidgeRunners (K-5th) enter to the right of the check-in area. Li'l RidgeRunners (Infant-Pre-K5) head down the hallway past the Elementary room to the left. Toddlers are straight ahead. Take a right turn for Pre-K and a left turn for Infants. Infants and Toddlers will share the Toddler Room for the 9:30 service.

How check-in works:

- 1. Accept your invite and sign up for Realm Connect. (If you have not received an invite to Realm, please email info@theridgecolumbus.com and request to be added.)
- 2. Request to join the appropriate groups for your kids within the Connect app (ex. 2nd grade, toddlers, etc.).
- 3. Sign in via the app on your way to church on Sunday, and use the QR code to print your name tags when you arrive.
- 4. Alternately, sign in and print name tags at one of several laptop or tablet kiosks when you arrive. You will see the RidgeRunners logo on the doors to the check-in station.
- 5. Escort your kids to their rooms by following the signage and moving through the children's area hallways in a counter-clockwise direction.
- 6. Pick up kids after the service by entering and exiting the hallways in the same counter-clockwise fashion. When picking up kids from the Elementary RidgeRunners room, please proceed all the way into the room from the check-in area and exit through either the door to the back hallway or through the doors to the parking lot. Please avoid heading back through the check-in area so that we can avoid over-crowding in the front hallway.

Online

If you're looking for some more online options for children's programming check out: **Rightnowmedia.org**: This is a free video resource for our church. Check out the kids' section (VeggieTales, etc.) and watch with the family! Registration link: **click here**.



Summit College Ministry connects and supports our college-age young adults by providing a bridge between their involvement in on-campus ministries and The Ridge. With that in mind, studies and activities are scheduled during school breaks.

High school graduates ages 18 through 25 are invited to Summit events. Sam Lord is our college ministry coordinator under the direction of Nathan and Autumn Carr.

Questions: Contact Sam Lord at sam@theridgecolumbus.com, 706-617-4051.

The Summit 2024-2025 Calendar

EXPERIENCE

COLLEGE WINTER RETREAT: JAN 1-4 SKI RETREAT: FEB 16-19 GRAD/COLLEGE TRIP: AUG

GROW

COLLEGE SMALL GROUP: NOV: 26 DEC: 12, 17, 30 JAN:6 MAY: 14, 21, 28 JUN: 11, 18 JULY: 9, 16, 23, 30

SERVE

FYR: Nov 1- 3 BACKPACKING TRIP: Nov 23-25 YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY: Dec 15 SKI RETREAT: Feb 14-17 SOULED OUT: Jun 2-6 CAMP 4:12: Jun 22-26 YOUTH DAY TRIPS: TBA

> Gary Abell 2/03 Peyton McRae 2/03 Champ Wombles 2/03 Leslie Ginn 2/04 Andrew Edwards 2/05 Blake Bourne 2/07 Brandon Underwood 2/09 Jami Conroy 2/13 Adrianne Shippey 2/15 Don Franklin 2/15



Katie Collier 2/16 Michael Wright 2/17 Maggie Havican 2/23 Kimberlyn Wombles 2/24 Brooke Sullivan 2/26 Bryan McKnight 2/28



As a church family, we are called to bear one another's burdens and lift each other up in prayer. In this time of prayer requests, let us focus on the needs within our congregation. Whether it's for those facing illness, celebrating joys, or seeking God's guidance, we have the privilege of interceding for one another. Together, we can support and encourage our brothers and sisters in Christ, trusting that God is at work in every situation. Let's unite our hearts and voices as we pray for the spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being of our church family.

> Please join us in praying for: -James Michael Ferraro -Christine Hull

If you have a prayer request or know someone that does, please email Andy at <u>andy@theridgecolumbus.com</u>.



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