

Welcome to River Ridge!

If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you'll leave as a friend who's been blessed by worshiping God with us. We're glad you came and welcome you to join us again!

- To join a **Grow Group**, check our website to see the list of possibilities or speak to a pastor or to Jim Sedore, our Grow Group Coordinator.

Need WIFI? Select "RRCOV3", password is lovegrowserve

A note for parents:

A special welcome to you! We strive to be an intergenerational church, and strongly believe that children are gifts to be treasured.

- Please feel free to use the nursery during the service to meet the needs of your infants.
- During the entire service, nursery care for toddlers and classes for 3-4 year olds are offered but not required.
- Children's bulletins are available for young doodlers. You might want to sit at a table!
- K – 5th grade children are encouraged to come up for "Komments for Kids" during the worship, and then are invited to go to their own class for the remainder of the service.
- Middle School & High School students are invited to join the worship service. We believe that students have an important role in our church family.

All kids learn by example, so you are teaching them about worship.

If you are fired up about God, they will be too!

Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday: 8 am—12 pm and 1 pm—3 pm
Fridays: 8 am - 2 pm

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At River Ridge Covenant Church, we believe that everyone is called to a lifelong, upward path of discipleship where we Love, Grow, Serve (repeat)



Sunday, December 17, 2017

10:00 am Worship Service

Offered throughout the services:

Infant/Toddler Nursery, and Mothers' Room

Dismissed from the main service after 'Komments for Kids':

3s—Pre K Class, Kids Club for K-2nd grades, Club 345 for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades

Middle School & High School students participate in the main worship service.

After He Had Considered This

Joseph said YES as an act of obedience

Associate Pastor Dan Meyerpeter

Matthew 1:18-25

Worship Team: Beverly Smith, Linsey Lyons, Laurie Jones, Eric Scott, Dan Smith,

Roger Jones, Jonah Grothe



*People Transformed Into
Faithful Servants of Jesus Christ*

This Week's Spotlight

Monday, December 18: (office closed)

Tuesday, December 19:

No **Middle School Ministry**

7:00-8:00 pm **Prayer**

Wednesday, December 20:

No **High School Ministry**

Friday, December 22:

6:45 am — **Men's Morning Bible Study at Cutters Point** (drop ins welcome!)



Pass the word...

Christmas Giving Opportunities

If you picked up a gift tag for a TMTL resident or Meadows Elementary child please be sure that you have returned that wrapped gift this morning.

Cookie donations are needed for the Candlelight Service. Bring cookies (homemade or store bought) on the night of the service, or drop them by during the week. They can be stored in the freezer as necessary. Questions? Contact the church office.

Year End Giving

Many people make year-end charitable contributions as part of their tax planning. As you do, please consider making a special contribution to your church; it is an investment in the work of the gospel directly in our community. We want to close out our fiscal year with strong reserves, and everyone can help with that! Just a reminder that for tax purposes all checks and electronic contributions must be dated **and** received by RRCC on or before December 31, 2017.

Scrip—Scrip cards make great Christmas gifts! Check the scrip table in the lobby. When you purchase our cards, the River Ridge Kids Ministries get a percentage of the proceeds. It costs you nothing over the price of the card.

Congregational emails— If you are not currently getting our weekly email reminders, you can be added to the list by checking the designated box on the Yellow Connection Card in your bulletin or contacting the office. This email list is used to send out weekly reminders of upcoming events as well as the monthly newsletter. Questions? Contact Hilda in the office.

Upcoming RRCC Events

Lemons to Lemonade Silent Auction

In conference room 1 (by the main entrance)

Last chance to place your bids! Bidding closes at 11:45 am TODAY and high bidders will be notified. If you've placed a bid stay around to see if you have an item to pick up. All proceeds go to our Youth Ministries. High bidders who are not present will be contacted today. Questions? Contact Pastor Dan.

Sunday, December 24

- **Morning Worship Service**

10:00 am

We will have our normal Sunday worship, concluding our series *Saying Yes to God at Christmas*.

- **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**

5:00 pm

Join us for this family-friendly service. We'll celebrate the birth of Christ by hearing the Christmas story, singing Christmas carols – some by candlelight – and a special message by Pastor Brian. After the service we'll have time for cookies and cider. *All children are welcome in the service.*

Church Office Closure

The church office will be closed the week after Christmas.

Monthly Prayer Night

January 8 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary

We'll have a time of corporate prayer the 2nd Monday of every month. We'll be praying for our church, our families and our communities. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study (off for December)

New study— Seamless by Angie Smith—begins Tuesday, January 9, at 9:30 am in room 9

This seven session DVD study will walk us through the entire Bible, covering the people, places and promises of the Bible; tying them together into the greater story of scripture. The workbooks are \$14 each. Please **sign up in the lobby** to indicate that you plan to attend and whether or not you'd like Pastor Peg to order the workbook for you. Questions? Contact Pastor Peg.

Needlers—Quilters: Next meeting Monday, January 8

Meeting the 2nd Monday and 4th Saturday from noon-4:00 pm

Our Quilters meet to make items for people with long-term illness or disabilities, new parents and local charities. Questions? Contact Pat Keeley or Rosalea Carlin.

Second Family

Thursday, January 11

Event details TBD. Watch upcoming bulletins.

Feeding the Homeless

Saturday, January 27

We will be joining Joyful Hands Ministries as they serve the homeless in downtown Olympia. We'll serve a hot breakfast and a bag lunch. Then we'll distribute toiletries and clothes. Everyone is welcome! Meet at the Youth Building at 8:00 am. We will return by 11:00 am. Questions? Contact Pastor Dan or Tressa Linn.