

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, November 20, 2016

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.

It is Good to Wait Quietly

The gift of mercy

Pastor Brian Wiele

Lamentations 3:1-6, 19-26

Worship Team: Beverly Smith, Linsey Lyons, Laurie Jones, Alan Hamilton, Sherri Hamilton, Eric Scott, Mark Cook, Roger Jones, Derek Stinson



Love - Grow - Serve (repeat)

We strive to be an intergenerational church of engaged, compassionate disciples. We'd love to serve you - and to serve with you!

This Week's Spotlight

Monday, November 21: (office closed)

Tuesday, November 22:

No Women's Bible Study

NO Middle School Youth Group

7:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, November 23:

NO High School Youth Group

Thursday, November 24

11:00 am Thanksgiving Lunch with Kokua

Friday, November 25

NO Men's Bible Study at Hawks Prairie Cutter's Point (drop-ins welcome)

Pass the word...

Giving by text message now available!

You can now give to River Ridge by text message from your smartphone. Simply send the dollar amount to [\(360\) 234-3986](tel:3602343986). The first time you do so, you'll be asked to click on a link to a secure page where you enter your payment information. To minimize fees for the church, we ask you to consider choosing to have the money taken directly from your bank account (known as ACH). You can also have it charged to your credit or debit card. Thank you for your generosity! Watch for more information on this and other giving options. Questions? Contact Dennis Anderson, Church Administrator at dennis@rrcov.org.

Lemons to Lemonade—The River Ridge Covenant Church Middle School and High School ministries are asking once again for donations of your unwanted new or gently used items. These "lemons" may be "lemonade" for someone else. During the month of December we will be selling these items via a silent auction. Your donations can be dropped off in room 15, in the Children's Wing. The sales of these 'lemons' will help fund youth ministry activities. Contact Pastor Dan if you have any questions.

Second Family (55+)

Second Family members and friends are encouraged to join the Youth and others in the preparation of Thanksgiving Food Boxes. It provides a great opportunity to work side-by-side and get to know some of the youth in our church. Our Second Family group is going through a re-visioning. Watch upcoming bulletins for more info. If you'd like to be part of the discussion email Dean & Jackie DeBell. To be added to the Second Family email list, contact Sue Harwood in the office.

Scrip Gift Cards—*Great for Christmas gifts!* Please consider purchasing Scrip cards in the lobby for your shopping needs or as gifts. 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. Questions? Speak to the person at the scrip table in the lobby. *Remember to put in your special orders by next Sunday!*

Upcoming RRCC Events

Thanksgiving Food Boxes

Assembling boxes TODAY—Sunday, November 20 after worship

The Youth and our church are teaming together for the 9th year to distribute Thanksgiving food boxes to under-resourced families in our community. Lunch will be provided. We'll be packing and delivering the food boxes from noon-2 pm. Questions? Contact Marsha Casassa or Pastor Dan.

Thanksgiving Lunch with Kokua

Thursday, November 24 (Thanksgiving Day), 11:00 am-12:45 pm

Do you have plans for Thanksgiving? How about enjoying a meal at church? For the 4th year we'll join with Kokua to have a special Thanksgiving lunch. Kokua provides services to adults with developmental disabilities. We'd love to have you join in! Sign up in the lobby.

Decorating for Christmas

Saturday, November 26, from 9:00 am—noon.

We need a team of volunteers to put up the Christmas decorations on Nov. 26, and take them down in early January. If you can help, please sign up in the lobby. Pizza will be provided!

Wreath Making Workshop

Saturday, November 26, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm in room 11/13

This is an opportunity to make a gift for yourself or someone else. Sewing is required. The cost is \$5 to cover the cost of the foam squares needed. An additional supply list will be provided. Questions? Contact Pat Keeley. Sign up in the lobby.

Parents & Kids Play Day—next one December 2

1st & 3rd Fridays (not 5th Fridays), 10-11:30 am

We gather in the multipurpose/sanctuary for some great play-space for our preschoolers and enjoy some adult company. Invite other families & neighbors! Questions? Contact Peg Melhaff.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, December 4, at 6:30 pm

Everyone is encouraged to attend; members of the congregation will be able to vote. We'll affirm the nomination of council members, set our 2017 budget, affirm new members of the congregation and more. Childcare will be provided. A draft of the 2017 budget will be available in the lobby on Sunday, November 20. We'll have a Q&A time for discussing the budget after worship on December 4.

Lemons to Lemonade Silent Auction

Begins Sunday, December 4, in conference room 1 (by the main entrance)

You'll see bid sheets in the room to match each item. Write your bid on the sheet, then check back each week to see if other bids are placed on the item. The bidding will close Dec.18 at 11:45 am and winners will be notified that afternoon.

Family Christmas Celebration

Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30 pm

We'll be having a pie social and enjoying a concert performed by the A Capella Belles from Jubilee. All ages are welcome. There will be a white elephant gift exchange following for the Middle School & High School students. This will be a holiday treat you won't want to miss. Plan on bringing your favorite pie with you to share.

Mark Your Calendar:

December 24 (Saturday): Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 pm. No service Christmas morning.