



Know Christ.
Make Christ Known.

Welcome!

RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We're glad you're here!

8:00am Worship for the Week of January 21st, 2024

Our Purpose: "Know Christ. Make Christ known."

Our Vision: "Making Christ-Centered, Emotionally Healthy Disciples of Jesus, One Life at a Time."

Our Mission: "Reach and serve our local community, Equip their hearts, minds and souls, and Release them into the world to share God's love."

WELCOME TO RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are worshipping with us this morning, please visit redhillchurch.org and scroll down to the "Connections Card".

Also, so that we may ensure you are receiving news about the life of our church, please let us know if you have moved or changed your contact information by emailing any updates to info@redhillchurch.org.

Sunday Morning Schedule:

•8:00 to 9:00 am Classical worship

•9:15 to 10:00 am Bible studies and groups for all ages ("Disciple U")

•10:15-11:15 am Contemporary worship

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RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

8:00 a.m. – Third Sunday of Epiphany

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

"Come, and see the victories of the cross. Christ's wounds are thy healings, His agonies thy repose, His conflicts thy conquests, His groans thy songs, His pains thine ease, His shame thy glory, His death thy life, His sufferings thy salvation." - Matthew Henry

Congregation responses are in **BOLD print**.

+GATHERING+

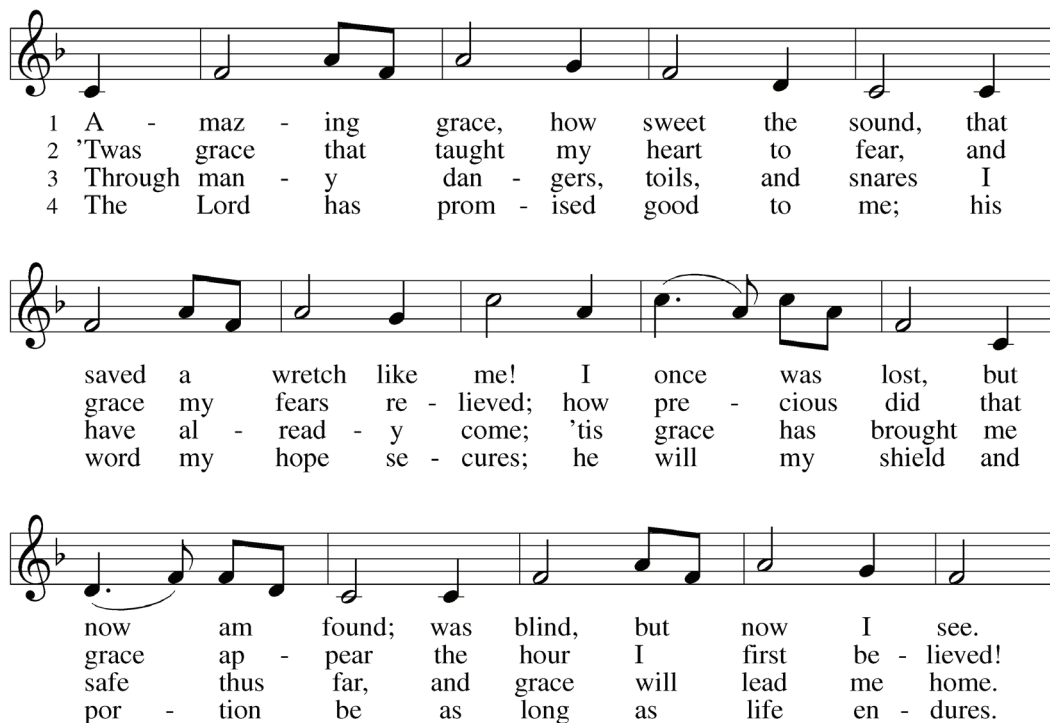
PRELUDE

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
Dr. Linda Brown

Dale Wood

OPENING HYMN

Amazing Grace



1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Matthew 28:19; [18:20]

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1: 8-9*

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

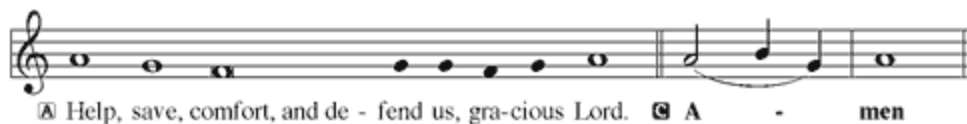
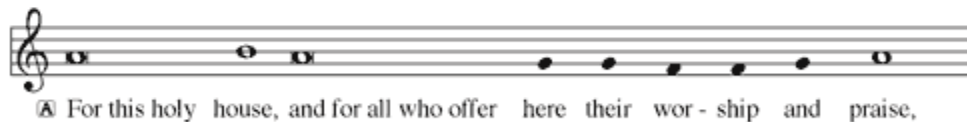
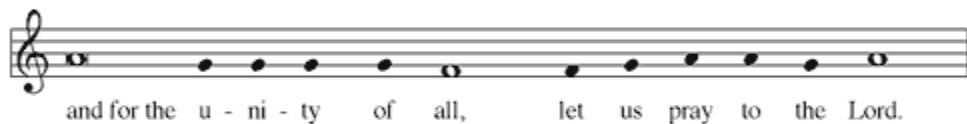
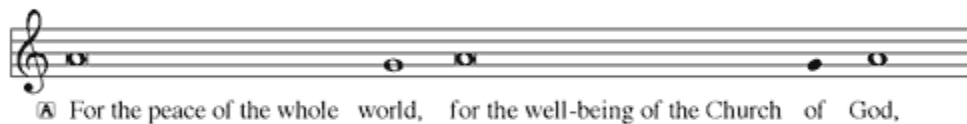
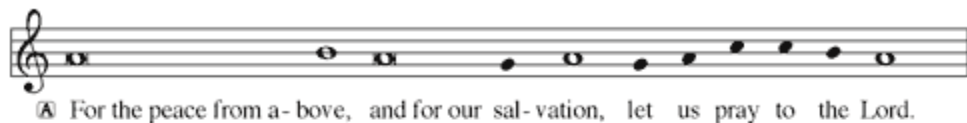
Amen.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE *Mark 10:47*



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and

strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *2 Timothy 4:22*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

+WORD+

READING

Psalm 62.1-7

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. ²He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken. ³How long will all of you attack a man to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

⁴They only plan to thrust him down from his high position. They take pleasure in falsehood. They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse. ⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. ⁶He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. ⁷On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

READING

Acts 5.12-20

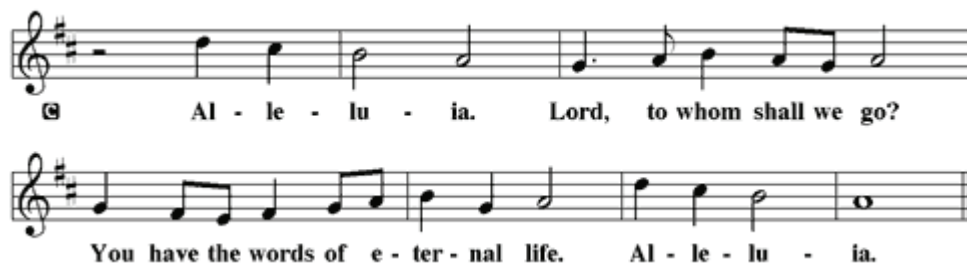
Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Here ends the reading

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 5.1-11

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

²Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" ⁷The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." ⁸Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." ⁹And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Now that day was the Sabbath. ¹⁰So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed."

¹¹But he answered them, "The man who healed me, that man said to me, 'Take up your bed, and walk.'"

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

+SACRAMENT+

TITHES & OFFERINGS *If you are worshipping with us online, please consider visiting redhillchurch.org/give.*

OFFERTORY

Drink from the Well of Life
Chancel Choir

Matthew Armstrong

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. If you are a Baptized Christian, seeking a church home, a member of a congregation that proclaims the Gospel, and a disciple of Christ who desires to be forgiven and strengthened to live more faithfully for Christ, you are welcome to commune with us (Children, ages 2nd grade and above who are Baptized and who have received First Communion Instruction, are welcome to come commune with their family).

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to come forward for a personal blessing (indicate this by crossing your arms) or you can spend this time in prayer. Our hope is that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. 2 Tim. 4:22

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Ps. 136

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join them in saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

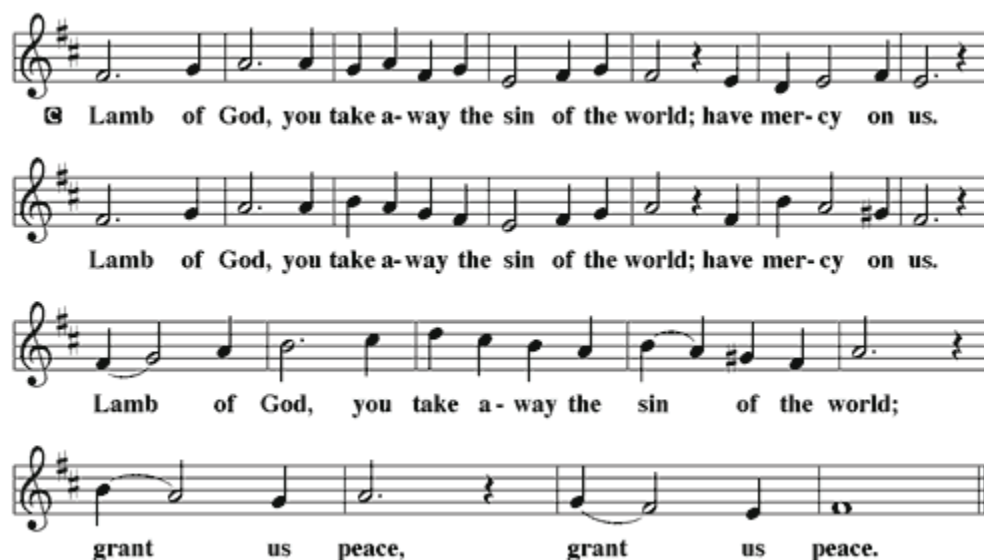
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, Forever and ever. Amen

COMMUNION

At Red Hill, we come forward to the altar (front area) to receive Communion.* You will be given the bread and will eat it. You will then be invited to pick up a cup of wine or grape juice to drink. After you have drank the Blood of the Sacrament, please deposit your cup in the receptacle provided.

** If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, please notify an usher and the servers will come to your seat.*

LAMB OF GOD *John 1:29*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Healer of Our Every Ill

Refrain



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,

give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain



peace and glad-ness; Spir-it of all com-fort, fill our hearts.
 still un-fold-ing, give us all your vi-sion, God of love.
 ev - 'ry broth-er; Spir-it of all kind-ness, be our guide.
 way of heal-ing; Spir-it of com-pas-sion, fill each heart.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.
 Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.
Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, the +Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SENDING SONG

Go, My Children, With My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

POSTLUDE

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

Dale Wood

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

January 23 Micah Dimitriadis, Lisa Williams
January 24 Debbie Hays, Helen Naismith, Hayley Sampson, James Smith
January 25 Connor Moore
January 26 Roscoe Coughran, Sparrow Coughran, John Martinez, Liia Garcia, Jill St. George
January 27 Elsa Matijevich
January 28 Delaney Driscoll, Marco Matijevich

Those serving in worship today...

Altar Guild: Debbie Hays, Barbara Jackson, Laurie Henry, Rosa Dalton, Elaine Kral, Barbara Bomgren, Betty Moran, Donna Wiksell, Melissa Gomez, Patty Reiten

Ushers: 8:00: Shannon McCNiel, Brad Brooks, Larry Lippert, Karl Kotke; 10:15: Dutch Kramer, Sharon van Sant, Laurie Oard

Readers: 8:00: Carmen Gogosha 10:15: Angela Woodward

Communion Servers: 8:00: Lon Records & Ken Hays, Harko DeBoer 10:15: Brian Crooker & Melissa Gomez, Jodi Sprosty

A/V Team: Manny Olmedo, Tom Waldron, James Pace, Brandon Stoffregen, Brad Wong, Katy Wong, Gary Fortner, Jason Harney

WORSHIP and MUSIC

Holy Baptism...

Today we welcome, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism **Bennett Patrick Morrow**. May God bless and guide Bennet as he begins his new life in Jesus Christ. We also welcome the Sponsors, family, and friends here to celebrate with us today!

DiscipleU

We believe that the foundational action of a disciple of Jesus is the weekly worship of God's people through Word and Sacrament—both children and adults! Additionally, we are committed to the deep study of Scripture as it teaches us about our Lord and how we are to live as His disciples in our world today.

In an effort to fulfill these commitments, we have implemented a change to the Sunday morning design and schedule by adding an education “hour” – approximately 55 minutes - between services. Slight time adjustments will be made to the start of both our Classical and Contemporary services. **Our new Sunday morning worship schedule is:**

•**8:00 to 9:00 am Classical worship**

•**9:15 to 10:00 am Bible studies and groups for all ages (“DiscipleU”)**

•**10:15-11:15 am Contemporary worship.**

In addition to our ongoing children's ministries on Sunday morning, we offer two adult Bible studies/classes, one led by Pastor Seth further examining the Gospel of John, and a class led by Jason and Mindy Harney about worshipping God in the home.

Livestream Ministry and Worship

The best way to watch our worship services live and on-line is to visit redhillchurch.org. You can also find us on YouTube and Facebook. If you are joining us via the livestream on Sunday mornings and/or for other ministries, can you let us know? We want to ensure that you are acknowledged, cared for, and connected! You can email Pastor Seth at sbritton@redhillchurch.org; Donna Kunz at dkunz@redhillchurch.org.

Join our Church Music Ministry!

To get connected to one of our classical music ministry groups, please email jharney@redhillchurch.org. We offer our chancel choir, Jubilee bells hand bell choir and a children's choir! For contemporary music, please email icoughran@redhillchurch.org.

BIBLE STUDY/COMMUNITY

“Wednesdays in the Word”

“The Book of Hebrews” led by Pastor Seth
Wednesdays 7:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. in the Church Sanctuary (In person and Live streamed). (This class is also recorded and posted on our website for participation at any time!)

RHL Women's Bible Studies Study on Ruth:

- Deborah Circle: 9:30am – 1st Tuesday of each month in Peter's Parish. Contact Carmen Gogosha (714) 742-3174, 4gogosfam@gmail.com

- Grace Circle: 10:00am – 1st Tuesday of each month in The Groves. Contact Marlene Thorson (949) 632- 7416, emthor@cox.net

- Rebekah Circle: 6:30pm – 1st Monday of each month in Peter's Parish. Contact Martha Toft (949) 375- 0160, martha.toft@gmail.com

“New Member Class: 101”

Sunday, February 11 th ,

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC).

If you are interested in learning more about Red Hill and how you can take your next step in connecting with others, deepening your faith, and/or becoming a member of the church, you are invited to join us for our next “New Member Class: 101.”

You can participate in this class by joining us on Sunday, February 11 th , from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC). Lunch and refreshments are provided. Child care (infant through 5 years is available by reservation. If you are planning on attending, please register by emailing or calling Executive Assistant to the Senior Pastor, Donna Kunz, at 714-544-3131 ext.100; dkunz@redhillchurch.org . Thanks! If you have questions about the Christian faith, the church, the Bible, and/or what it means to follow Jesus in your life today, then this class is for you! We look forward to seeing you!

Mensday Bible Study

We meet Monday evenings with dinner and fellowship starting at 6:30pm, study from 7-8:30pm at Peter's Parish. Our current emphasis is on study and discussion of the Advent and Christmas Compass, diving deeper and sharing the daily devotionals. Any questions, contact Tom Waldron at tjwaldron3@aol.com..

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Worship Resource for Young Families

We love having families worship together. In an effort to partner with our families, we are providing a resource for families with younger children called, “Whisper, Whisper - Learning About Church.” This children's book explains all that happens during a worship service and it even includes ‘Sanctuary Tips’ and ‘Teaching Moments’ for parents. Stop by our Youth & Family Ministry (YFM) Table on the patio today to pick up a copy of this book. It is our gift to you. Take it home and read it as a family with your little ones. Then, take it one step further bring it to church with you and later talk about a worship service and why we do what we do in church. For additional worship resources, contact RHL

Children's Ministry Director, Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org.

YFM Ministry Team Members Needed

All areas of YFM Ministry are growing! We are looking for people who can help us with greeting, checking in kids, serving as small group leaders during our Sunday morning programming. We also have some "behind the scenes" work that can be done outside of Sunday mornings. If you, or someone you know, would like more information about these different areas of service, please connect with RHL Children's Ministry Director, Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org or RHL Student Ministry Director, Phil Gaylor at pgaylor@redhillchurch.org.

Nursery Ministry

Today during both worship services and during our DiscipleU Educational Hour in Classroom 11

Our Nursery and Preschool Ministry provides a welcoming, nurturing atmosphere for nursery and preschool age children of our members and visitors, from six weeks old through five years of age. Our Team engages children with exciting Bible stories and encourages them to be active participants in a variety of age appropriate activities designed to teach them the tremendous truths about God and His love for them. For the safety of all children, all of our team members are background checked and fingerprinted as well as CPR and First Aid certified. Contact Director of Children's Ministry, Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org with any questions.

DiscipleU - Preschool Ministry

Today, 9:00am-10:15am, in Classroom 12

Our Preschool Ministry provides a welcoming, nurturing atmosphere for children three years of age and potty trained, through five years of age and not enrolled in Kindergarten. Using an engaging and inspiring environment and striving to give preschool aged children a foundation of faith that will last a lifetime, the children will consistently hear three basic truths: God made them; God loves them; and Jesus wants to be their friend forever. For more information, contact Director of Children's Ministry, Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org.

DiscipleU - K.I.D.S. Ministry (Kindergarten - 5th Grade)

Today, 9:00am-10:15am, in the K.I.D.S. Zone

K.I.D.S. Ministry provides an environment which allows kids to come together to Know Jesus, Impact the world around them, become Disciples of Jesus and Serve others - K.I.D.S.! For more ministry information, contact Director of Children's Ministry, Beth Stoffregen, via email at beths@redhillchurch.org.

DiscipleU: (Preschool-5th Grade) K.I.D.S. Sunday Ministry Teaching Series for January, "What Can I Do?"

Our January Teaching Series, "What Can I Do?" continues

today. What's your dream job? Do you want to be a pilot or astronaut? A teacher or musician? There are so many incredible jobs for us to pick from! God has given each of us special talents and skills that can help us discover what we want to do. But God gives us another job, too. It's the chance for us to follow God right now! In this four-week series from the Gospels, we'll read about Jesus starting out His ministry and how He invited His followers — and us — to listen to God's voice, trust Jesus knows us, trust God's plans for us, and include people who aren't like us.

First Communion Class

Today at 11:30am – in the Christian Life Center (CLC)

We are offering a First Communion Class for kids in 2nd Grade and older who have been baptized. This class is for anyone who would like information about Communion or for anyone who is ready to receive their First Communion. This class will be led by Pastor Seth and whole families are invited to attend. First Communion Class materials are provided. The Rite of First Communion will be next Sunday, January 28th during the 10:15am Worship Service. Email Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org with any questions.

DiscipleU – Sunday Morning Student Ministry

Today, 9:15am-10:00am, in Peter's Parish

All middle school and high school students are invited to join us today during our DiscipleU Educational Hour, 9:15am-10:00am, in Peter's Parish. We will spend time in community and God's Word, discover our individual gifts and talents, and share our stories. Our first study will be "All about Jesus": Who is He? and Why does He matter? This study will give students an opportunity to start off the new year with an in-depth look at the life of Jesus. We will discover who He is, what He did during his earthly ministry, unpack the truths He taught, and explore how they can share the message of Jesus.

Mid-Week Student Ministry Teaching Series for January, "Beneath the Surface"| 4 Weeks on Identity

Who do you think you are? You might define your identity around your skills, abilities, and giftings. Those are great ways to start our journey, but they don't quite reach the center. In the same way, an oceanographer heads into the depths to reveal the ocean's mysteries, we'll need to prepare to dive deep to discover who we are and who we are becoming. As we venture beneath the surface, we'll look at the formative years of Jesus' life to see how he began to discover his identity and purpose. Through stories of his personal experiences, habits, and relationships, we'll find how God helps us understand our identities. We'll see how God helps us discover who we're becoming and how God's words help us discover who we are. We'll also learn how the right relationships help us discover how to grow and how Jesus helps us discover purpose.

Middle School Student Ministry

Wednesday, January 24th, 6:00pm-7:30pm in Peter's Parish
Middle School Ministry meets this Wednesday, 6:00pm-7:30pm in Peter's Parish. Join us for fun, games, dinner, and then spend time with us in God's Word. Contact Student Ministry Director Phil Gaylor at pgaylor@redhillchurch.org with any questions.

Middle School Student Ministry Winter Camp

Winter Camp is coming February 9th-11th, 2024, at Forest Home Retreat Center. The cost is \$350 a person and includes transportation, food, and accommodations for the weekend. Registration is currently open at <https://www.redhillchurch.org/youth-family/middle-school>

High School Student Ministry

High School Ministry meets this Tuesday, January 23rd, 7:00pm-8:30pm in Peter's Parish. We will have a great time with games and dessert and also dig into God's Word. Contact Student Ministry Director Phil Gaylor at pgaylor@redhillchurch.org with any questions.

Follow us at our RHL Student Ministry Instagram accounts @rhlyouth_msm or @rhlyouth_hsm for event details and updates. Contact Student Ministry Director Phil Gaylor at pgaylor@redhillchurch.org with any questions.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California

Men's Weekend: February 1-4, 2024

Women's Weekend: February 8-11, 2024

Registration Deadline for the Men's Weekend: January 27th
Registration Deadline for the Women's Weekend: Feb. 3rd
Have you been looking for a way to deepen and enrich your faith? Or perhaps with the busyness of life you feel distant and disconnected from God. Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California is a three-day movement built just for these reasons and held locally in the Los Angeles area.

Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California hosts weekends dedicated to renewal, connection, and grace led by both Lutheran Lay persons and members of the Lutheran Clergy. It is offered to all baptized members of the Lutheran church and is 100% free to attend.

For more information about this set of weekends specifically or about Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California in general, email Beth Stoffregen at beths@redhillchurch.org or contact Pastor Seth. You can also learn more at www.lcsocal.org.

RHL'S NIGHT OF SERVICE - FEBRUARY 1ST

Thursday, February 1st, 2:00pm-8:30pm in the Christian Life Center (CLC). Red Hill Lutheran Church and School is partnering with Rise Against Hunger (RAH). Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a Night of Service on February 1st! The various ministries of the church are band-

ing together to serve side by side to alleviate world hunger. 1-hour meal-packing shifts are being offered in the CLC from 3:30 to 8:30pm on Thursday, February 1st. Use this link to sign up for one or more shifts: <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/redhilllutheran2024> (Each shift will include 10 minutes of instruction and assigning of jobs, and 50 minutes of meal packing, so please arrive on time for your shift.) Need more information? Contact Rebecca Walter at rebecabw@yahoo.com.

More Information About RAH:

Rise Against Hunger, driven by the vision of a world without hunger, has the goal of helping to end hunger by 2030, aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Goal #2 of Zero Hunger. Their approach to ending hunger centers around a global network of dependable hunger champions. Since 2005, Rise Against Hunger volunteer groups (like Red Hill Lutheran) have packaged over 500 million meals.

PRAYER & CARE

Healing, Recovery and Strength, Cancer: Tamara Lippert, Denise Pace; Pat Niese, lymphoma; Drew Lippert, prostate cancer; Sheila D., complete healing of ovarian cancer; Barbara Miller; Joanne Skidmore, breast cancer; Janine, healing from ovarian cancer; Jane Thorson W., multiple myeloma; Stevie Saunders; Clelia Bernhardt, breast cancer; Song Willey; Barb Burley, breast; Carolyn Fresca, lymphoma cancer; Kevin Fanti, recovery from bladder cancer surgery; Phil Garnett, multiple myeloma, healing; Vicki Reiber, friend of Daphne Malinsky, esophagus, lymph node and lung cancer; Linda Towles, sister in law of Steve and Suzanne, pancreatic cancer; Teri Burch, breast cancer; Orest Gogosha; Sam, friend of Cricket Hong, stage 4 prostate cancer; Betty, Leukemia; Lisa, hospice; Elsa Curiel, cancer; Natalie Bernal, breast cancer; Wendy Buzzard, breast cancer. David Kulcinski, healing from lymphoma; Stacy Hernandez, recovery from breast cancer; David Maldonado.

Other Conditions: Jeff Cadwell, MS; Edna Hohener; Eileen Hamilton; Tina Philips; Diana Godinez's dad, Alzheimer's; Tin Ngo; Peter D., to be seizure free; Amber Benson, continued healing; Tony's mom, health and safety during dialysis sessions; Rebecca Tomlinson, ALS; Gloria Tomas, healing; Danny, healing; Sky Olson, recovery from stroke; Katie W., neurological issues; Nancy Ogden; Spencer Garrett's mother, dementia; Rick Gertonson; Anita Hollis, mental acuity; Christina Bannister, healing of deep vein thrombosis; Valerie Larson, job; Luke Hansen, recovery from pneumonia and lung surgeries; James Wood; Jerry Unis, back surgery recovery; Vic Susman; Sonia and Tony Mena; Scott Rayl; Chelsea Rayl.

US Military Service: Air Force: Captain Brianna Robinette, Gilio Hennigan, Guiliana Hennigan, Gavin Crawford, Joey Schell, Captain Grant Fox. Army: Calvin Tyler Crawford, Army National Guard: Anya Rigoni; Rebecca Schell. Navy: Matt Browne, Matthew Curiel, John Farinacci; Eric Belgen. Marine Corps: Giacomo Hennigan.

Healthy Pregnancy: Katherine & Nicholas Thoele; Alyssa and Chris Gibbons.

Sunday January 21st, 2024
Sermon Series: “Bystander: John and the Rabbi From Nazareth.” (The Gospel of John)
(Epiphany 2024)
“Carry On.” *John 5.1-17*.

This Week’s Mark(s) of Discipleship: **Hope** (I can engage and endure the struggles and challenges in my life because of the person, promises, and power of Jesus Christ).

Jesus’ Signs Point To: Jesus’ Glory and Mission as The Son of God...So We Will Believe!

Jesus’ Third Sign

John 5.1-3 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ² Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³ In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵ One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.

Through this Sign...Jesus’ Glory and Mission Are Revealed Through...

Jesus’ Desire.

John 5.6, 14a When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” ...¹⁴Afterward Jesus found him in the temple

Jesus’ Demand.

*John 5.7-9a The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.”⁸ Jesus said to him, “**Get up**, take up your bed, and walk.”⁹ And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked....*

ἐγείρομαι (*egeiromai*): “To cause to stand up” (“Restore”)

Jesus’ Distinctiveness.

John 5.9b, 14-17 ...Now that day was the Sabbath...¹⁴Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.” ¹⁵The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. ¹⁶And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. ¹⁷But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.”

John 5.18 This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.