



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 September 7, 2025

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 ("DiscipleU")
- 10:15-11:15 am Contemporary worship

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RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

8:00am – 13th Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

*Congregation responses are in **BOLD print**.*

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

“So we also labor by the Word of God that we may set at liberty those that are entangled, and bring them to the pure doctrine of faith, and hold them there.” – Martin Luther

PRELUDE

Come Christians, Join to Sing
Dr. Linda Brown

Benjamin Curry

OPENING HYMN

Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.
may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
and lead us out of death to life.

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



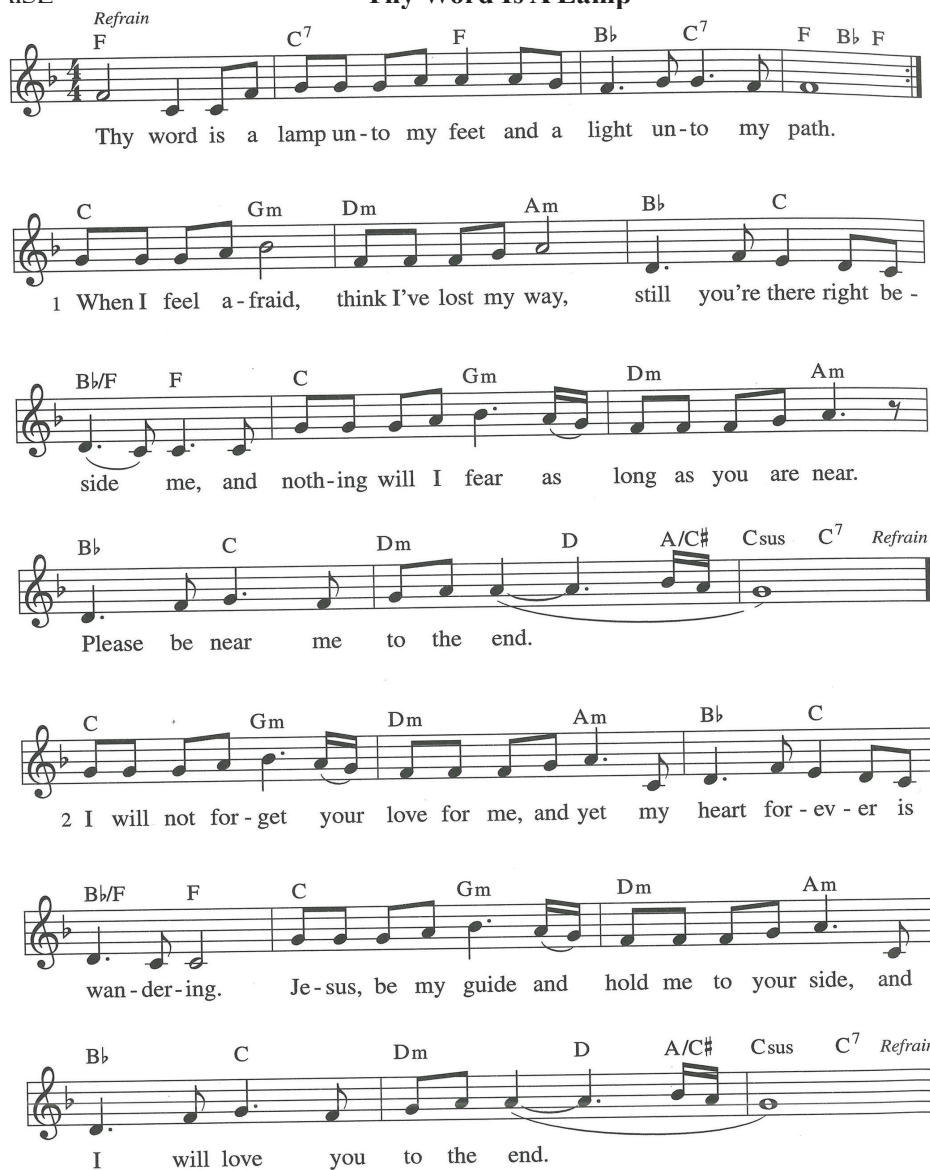
1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.

We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Thy Word Is A Lamp

Grant/Smith



Refrain
F C⁷ F B^b C⁷ F B^b F
Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

1 When I feel a - fraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right be -
side me, and noth - ing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.

2 I will not for - get your love for me, and yet my heart for - ev - er is
wan - der - ing. Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and
I will love you to the end.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

+WORD+

READING

Psalm 119.105-114

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to keep your righteous rules.

¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word!

¹⁰⁸ Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your rules.

¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.

¹¹⁰ The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.

¹¹¹ Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart.

¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

¹¹³ I hate the double-minded, but I love your law.

¹¹⁴ You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.

READING

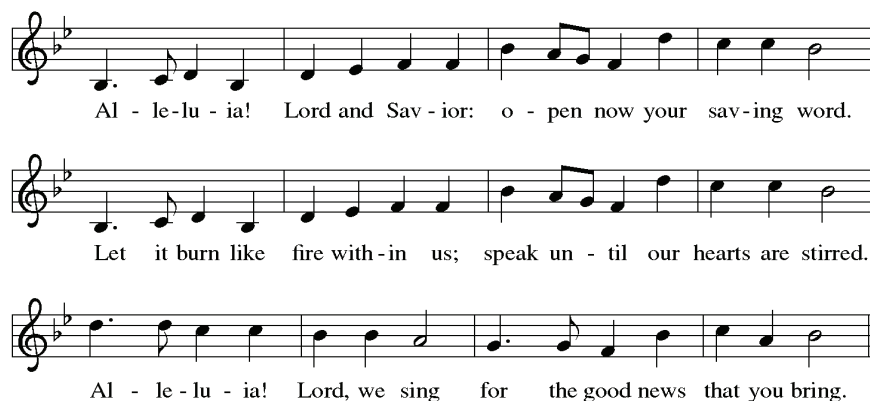
2 Peter 1.16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," ¹⁸ we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24.13-32

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵ And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. ²⁸ So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹ And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

The Gospel of Our Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

ANTHEM

With A Voice of Singing
Chancel Choir

Martin Shaw

*With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
O be joyful in God, all ye lands.
O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious.
With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!*

MORNING MESSAGE

Pastor Seth Britton

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

+SACRAMENT+

GATHERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS *Please complete your worship response card & place it in the offering plate.*

OFFERTORY

Voluntary on "Old One Hundredth"

Paul Fey

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 power and might. Heaven 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

AGNUS DEI

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

+SENDING+

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

Thy Strong Word

Verses 1 through 4



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; bright with
4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed light we
night and deep as death, broke the light of thy sal -
thine own ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward
forth in con - qu'ring might; from the cross for - ev - er



thank thee, while thine or - dered sea - sons run.
va - tion, breathed thine own life - breath - ing breath.
glo - ry, and our lives our hopes con - fess.
beam - eth all thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

POSTLUDE

Thy Strong Word

Paul Manz

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

September 7 Jackson Morrow
September 8 Stephanie Wilmouth
September 9 Alan Draper, Chris Gibbons
September 10 Doug Moran, Angela Woodward
September 12 Kyle Fiege-Kollmann, Ashley Oard
September 13 Cheri Starr

ANNIVERSARIES

September 7 Bob and Lori Gallagher, Fred and Trisha Gebhardt
September 13 Joseph and Bertha Juarez

PRAYER & CARE

New Prayers This Week:

Requested by Maggie: Praise for the birth of Eleanor Rose Butron, born on August 20th. Continued prayers for Sarah and family as they adjust to the newest member of their family; Requested by Talitha Waters: Prayers for friend Madelyn healing from an ear infection, prayers for her family's upcoming move, and for her relationships with her friends.

Continued Prayers:

Jeff Kramer, Valerie & Almen Larson, Carolyn Bergt, Clare McCollum, Trisha, B&C, Tamara Lippert, Denise Pace, Drew Lippert, Sheila D., Barbara Miller; Jane Thorson W., Phil Garnett, David Kulcinski, Heather Hoersch, Susan Murphy, Jeff Cadwell, Edna Hohener, Eileen Hamilton, Tina Philips, Diana Godinez's dad, Tin Ngo, Peter D., Amber Benson, Tony's mom, Rebecca Tomlinson, Gloria Tomas, Nancy Ogden, Rick Gertenson, Kari McCollum, Anita Hollis, Rosalind Black, Jim (friend of Gary Fortner), Danny Smith.

Healthy Pregnancy - Jessica Stanphill; Clara (Harney) York.

US Military Service:

Air Force: Gavin Crawford, Joey Schell, Captain Grant Fox. Army: Calvin Tyler Crawford, Army/JAG: Major Brianna Tuohy; Navy: Matt Browne, Matthew Curiel, Max Daucher, John Farinacci; Eric Belgen. Marine Corps: Marlo Britton; Giacomo Hennigan, Hunter Hansen.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to pray for you this week. If you would like your prayer request to be added to our Weekly Prayers in the Sunday Bulletin, please be sure to check the box on your Worship Response Card indicating "Weekly Announcements". Prayers will remain on this list for three weeks.

ALTAR FLOWERS

• 50th Anniversary of Dave and Yvonne Cole!

Those serving in worship today...

Altar Guild: Debbie Hays, Barbara Jackson, Laurie Henry, Rosa Dalton, Barbara Bomgren, Betty Moran, Donna Wiksell, Melissa Gomez, Patty Reiten, Renee Mihalovich, Sue Raybourn

Ushers: 8:00: Chuck Rogers, Jerry Kral, Cathy Anderson, Tom Ronce 10:15: Martha Toft, Gary Fortner, Marshall Belgen, Ryan Rieches

Readers: 8:00 Anne Jackson 10:15 Jerry Unis

Communion Servers: 8:00 Harko DeBoer & Amy Ronce, Marie DeBoer (B) 10:15 Phil Schaffer & Melissa Gomez, Laurie Oard (B)

A/V Team: Manny Olmedo, Tom Waldron, James Pace, MJ Siegfert, John Hernandez, Brad Wong, Katy Wong, Jason Harney

WORSHIP and MUSIC

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 or 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. Chancel Choir meets Thursdays at 7:15pm in the choir loft. Handbells rehearse Thursdays at 5:45pm in the narthex.

For contemporary music, please email icoughran@redhillchurch.org.

BIBLE STUDY/COMMUNITY

"Wednesdays in the Word." Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Anchored: The Book of 1 Peter

Teacher: Pastor Seth

Wednesdays 7:00am to 7:45am in the Sanctuary (In person, Livestreamed and Recorded).

Living the Christian life in this world is never easy—but always worth it! While some periods in Christian history were more volatile than others, the truth is that biblical, Christian faith, as well as the personal and social values that result from the Christian faith, will conflict with the dominant, cultural values of the current age. The Apostle Peter himself experienced the tensions, conflicts, and sufferings that came because of his relationship with Jesus Christ. Consequently, Peter writes to some churches in the provinces of Roman Asia Minor, encouraging them to hold on and stand strong—anchored to Jesus Christ!

Join us, as we seek to gain a deeper understanding the context, content, and message of 1 Peter, seeking to understand

how disciples of Jesus persevere through the changes and challenges of this world by living godly lives, being good citizens in the community, and being a faithful workers, spouses, and friends.

Bring your Bible and join us! If you do not have a Bible, we will get one for you! You are always welcome as we study God's Word!

Begins Today, Sunday, September 7th New "DiscipleU" Adult Bible Study

Deeper Dive" "I Believe" The Nicene Creed.

Teacher: Pastor Seth

Sunday mornings 9:15am to 10:00am In the Christian Life Center (CLC).

The Nicene Creed is the essential confession of faith for the Christian Church. The Nicene Creed is an ecumenical creed. Meaning, the Nicene Creed is confessed by Protestant (Lutheran), Roman Catholic, and Orthodox Churches around the world! The Nicene Creed (as well as the Apostles' and Athanasian Creeds) articulates and summarizes Christian, orthodox belief. Importantly, all of the ancient creeds articulate and reflect biblical truth and revelation, guiding Christians to understand what we believe, why we believe it, and the differences those beliefs make in our lives! Using primarily the Nicene Creed as the focus, each week we will do a "deeper dive" on the theme of the Sunday sermon. We will explore the biblical and theological content of the articles within The Nicene Creed, gaining both a deeper understanding of what we confess through the Creed(s), as well as how our beliefs inform and shape our lives as disciples of Jesus. Join us!

Beginning September 21st - "Study & Sing the Great Hymns of the Faith"

Led by Jason Harney

9:15 am - 10:00 am in the Music Library

This class will feature two classic hymns per week. We will sing the songs together, study the history and origins of each hymn, discuss the spiritual and Biblical themes of each hymn, and pray together. No singing experience necessary, and all are welcome.

RHL Quilters

Where has the summer gone? The quilting year will be ending soon and the ladies will be working through September to complete as many quilts as possible. Quilt Sunday is scheduled for October 19th. Quilts will be available for purchase on October 12th and 19th, on the church patio. Look for more info to come. Quilters will take a break from their Monday mornings, for November and December, and will start back up in January 2026. Kits are still available for those who want to try their hand at sewing a quilt top. If you would like more information on kits or Quilters in general, please contact Nancy Pace at n15pace@yahoo.com. Quilters will continue meeting on Mondays, in Peter's Par-

ish, through September, from 9:00am to noon. Some of the ladies bring a lunch and share some fellowship time after everything is picked up.

RHL Women's Circles Bible Study

The Women's Circles are starting their new year in September. Grace Circle met Sept 2nd and are working on the Concordia study of Galatians. Rebekah and Deborah Circles are continuing their Epic of Eden study. Due to the Labor Day holiday, they are meeting this week, on Sept 8th and Sept 9th at their normal times. For more information, please check with the Circle leaders. Ladies may join at any time.

- Rebekah Circle: 1st Mondays at 6:30pm – In Peter's Parish. Contact Martha Toft: martha.toft@gmail.com

- Deborah Circle: 1st Tuesdays at 9:30am –

Contact Carmen Gogosha: 4gogosfam@gmail.com

- Grace Circle: 1st Tuesdays at 10:00am – In The Groves.

Contact Marlene Thorson: emthor@cox.net

Women's Book Club... The RHLC Women Book Club will be meeting on September 16th at 12:45pm in Peter's Parish. Our book choice is "*An Ocean Apart*" by Robin Pilcher. It is a warm, welcome tale of believable people and places told by a born story teller and full of beautifully painted characters. Read the book and join us to discuss it. Questions: Marlene Thorson, 949/632-7416

Red Hill Moms Book Clubs

Moms, this is for you! This Fall we will be launching Moms book clubs where we will meet each week here at Red Hill. Book clubs are open to all Moms, in all seasons. The heart behind these book clubs is to build community, encourage each other, and grow together in this season of life. Book clubs are super relaxed with no added pressure to your day. Come as you are, share your heart, and see what God has for you. We are still finalizing the details regarding dates and times, right now, we just want to know if you are interested. Email Stephanie McArthur at smcarthur@redhillchurch.org to let us know you are interested.



Ministry Expo

Red Hill Lutheran Church & School is excited to welcome you to our Ministry Expo on Sunday, September 14th from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm in the Christian Life Center (CLC)! Whether you're part of our church family or school community, this event is a fantastic opportunity to explore the many ministries we offer and discover new ways to connect, grow, and serve.

Bring the whole family and enjoy a morning filled with food, drinks, games, raffle prizes, family photos, and lots of fun! Don't forget to complete your punch card for a chance to win awesome raffle prizes — there's something for all ages!

Protecting Young Minds

Upcoming Parent Presentation: Protect Young Eyes – Monday, September 8th at 6:30pm in the CLC. Parents, join us for a vital and practical session led by Doug Crawford from Protect Young Eyes, designed to equip you with tools to guide your children through today's digital world with wisdom and confidence. This adults-only event will cover topics like the risks of AI, setting healthy tech boundaries, staying informed on the latest apps, and fostering faith-centered tech conversations at home.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to protect and connect your family in a tech-driven world!

Mensday Bible Study

All men are invited to our weekly informal gathering on Monday evenings at Peter's Parish for a 6:30pm dinner, followed by a 7:00-8:30pm Bible Study. For details, contact Tom Waldron at (714)697-5349 or tjwaldron3@aol.com.

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Red Hill Youth & Family Ministry

Are you interested in learning more about Red Hill's Youth & Family Ministry (YFM)? We'd love to connect with you! Stop by our table on the patio to say hello, or email our team.

Contact Our YFM Team:

- Beth Stoffregen – Director of Youth & Family Ministry | beths@redhillchurch.org
- Brie Longoria – Early Childhood Ministry Co-Coordinator | blongoria@redhillchurch.org
- Katelyn Der – Early Childhood Ministry Co-Coordinator | kder@redhillchurch.org
- Itzel Mancilla – Children's Ministry Coordinator | imancilla@redhillchurch.org
- Tim Rivera – Student Ministry Coordinator | trivera@redhillchurch.org

We're here to support and serve your family—let's connect!

Join the YFM Team – Your Help is Needed!

All areas of YFM are growing, and we need your help! Do you have a heart to serve and make a lasting impact on the younger generation? We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry: Help with greeting, checking in children, playing with and supervising our little ones.
- K.I.D.S. Ministry: Small group leaders who can dedicate one hour of their time on Sunday mornings to make a difference in the lives of our children.
- Middle School Ministry: Small group leaders who can dedicate an hour and a half of their time on Wednesday

nights to make a difference in the lives of our youth.

- High School Ministry: Small group leaders who can dedicate an hour and a half of their time on Tuesday nights to make a difference in the lives of our youth.

If you, or someone you know, would like more information about these volunteer opportunities, please connect with YFM Director, Beth Stoffregen.

T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry

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

Our T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry provides a nurturing environment where Christ's littlest disciples—ages six weeks to five years—can play, learn about Jesus, sing praises to God, and grow excited about joining the worshiping community. We encourage families to pick up their children during Communion so they may receive a blessing. Through Sunday morning programming and special connection events, we joyfully partner with families in equipping and teaching their Tiny Ones to Trust the Savior—T.O.T.S.! For the safety of all children, every team member is background-checked and fingerprinted, and certified in both CPR and First Aid.

T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry's September Teaching Series

“Love Roots: A Journey through the Old Testament

Our friends in T.O.T.S. Ministry are on a journey through the Old Testament. This teaching series traces the story of God's redemption promise from the tree in the Garden of Eden to the shoot from the stump of Jesse in Isaiah's Messiah prophecy! Along the way, we will learn the 10 Commandments, rooting our hearts in the love of God and love for others, delighting in His good design. We will talk about all the pictures of Jesus hiding in the pages and play our way through God's epics of old. Today's teaching is “Little David.”

RHL Preschool Family Playdate

Saturday, September 27th, from 10:00am to 11:30am on the RHL Playground

Calling all preschool families! We are excited to invite you to our Fall Preschool Family Playdate on the RHLS Playground! Join us for this fun and casual connection event! While the kids play, parents and families will have the chance to chat and connect with each other, our RHL Preschool Staff and our T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry Staff. No registration is required.

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

K.I.D.S. Ministry provides an environment that allows elementary-aged kids to come together to Know Jesus, Impact the world around them, become Disciples of Jesus and Serve others - K.I.D.S.

DiscipleU K.I.D.S.

Today, 9:15am-10:00am, in the K.I.D.S. Zone
Kindergarten through 5th Grade kids are invited to join us as we focus on God's Word in a large group format and engage in related activities or crafts with our leaders.

DiscipleU K.I.D.S. Fellowship

Today, 10:00am-11:15am, in the K.I.D.S. Zone
During this programming time, kids have an opportunity to join us for an additional time of Bible study and activities in large and small groups. All children are brought into the sanctuary as a group during this time to celebrate communion or receive a blessing with the whole church community.

K.I.D.S. Ministry's September Teaching Series begins Today!

"In Season" – A Teaching Series from the Old Testament on Psalms

Each season—fall, winter, spring, and summer—brings something unique and wonderful. From leaves changing colors to flowers blooming or animals hibernating, the changing seasons remind us that no matter what, God is with us through it all. In this teaching series, kids will discover how we can respond to God in every season of life. Today, as we take a look at Psalm 1, kids will discover that God's words are always in season.

DiscipleU Students

Today, 9:15am-10:00am, inside Peter's Parish
All middle and high school students are invited to join us today during our DiscipleU Educational Hour, 9:15am to 10:00am, inside Peter's Parish. For more information or questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

Mid-Week Student Ministry Nights

Tuesday, September 9th, and Wednesday, September 10th, from 6:00pm-8:00pm in Peter's Parish
High school students are invited to get together on Tuesday evening, and middle school students will meet on Wednesday evening. Gatherings will take place from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Peter's Parish. Join us for food, fun, fellowship, and an uplifting time as we explore God's Word. For more information or questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

Student Ministry Confirmation Classes

Starting Sunday, September 21st, 2025, from 9:15am-10:00am, in Peter's Parish
At Red Hill, confirmation is a church rite that follows two years of instruction in God's Word and Lutheran doctrine. The Rite of Confirmation occurs at the end of these two years. It is designed to help baptized children of God grow in their faith and deepen their understanding of Him, while also fostering meaningful connections with peers, parents, the pastor, and the church—preparing them to embrace their

lifelong identity as children of God. During these classes, we will explore Luther's Small Catechism in detail, covering the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Communion, Confession, and Forgiveness. For more information or questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rest, Renew & Recharge Women's Retreat

This is your opportunity to truly unplug and reconnect—with yourself, with other women, and most importantly, with Christ. We'll gather in the beautiful bayfront setting for a weekend of community, teaching, worship, and rest. This retreat is designed with you in mind!

Dates: November 7–9, 2025

Location: Hyatt Mission Bay Resort, San Diego

Check-In: Friday at 5:00pm | Program starts at 6:30pm

Check-Out: Sunday at 11:00am

Cost: \$550 (Double Occupancy) or \$650 (Single Room)

Includes:

2 nights at the resort (Friday & Saturday)

Refreshments Friday night

Breakfast & Dinner on Saturday

Breakfast on Sunday

Scan the QR Code to Register Today!

This retreat is open to all women, so don't come alone—invite your friends, sisters, neighbors, and co-workers.

Have questions? Contact Stephanie McArthur at smcarthur@redhillchurch.org



Church Directory Photos - Come one, come all!

We're updating our Church Directory and want to make sure everyone is included! Our final photo day will be on Sunday, September 14th, 9:00am - 12:30pm, during the Ministry Expo.

Photos will be taken outside of the CLC.

Please stop by to update your contact information. No appointment needed—just bring your smile!

Thank you for helping us stay connected to our church family as we continue to grow in community together.

For questions, contact Donna Kunz at dkunz@redhillchurch.org

Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California

Men's Weekend: September 25-28th, 2025

Women's Weekend: October 2-5th, 2025

Registration Deadline for both weekends: Wednesday, September 17th.

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 rea-

sons and held locally in the Los Angeles area.

Developed out of the Catholic Cursillo movement from the Spanish Church almost 100 years ago, 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.

Communion Servers Needed!

If you have ever been interested in helping with the sacred rite of becoming a communion server, now is a great time to step up. In particular, we are looking for servers for 8:00am Classical Worship. Please contact David Kulcinski at dkulcinski@yahoo.com or Marty Schaefer at mschaefer@redhillchurch.org.

Weekly Altar Flower Requests

If you would like to dedicate flowers to a loved one in their memory, or for any other special occasion, you may email your dedication to info@redhillchurch.org or please write your dedication in the Flower Dedication Notebook in the Narthex. This book notebook is on a stand in the Narthex, in front of the Music Library.

Dedications written on paper and placed in the offering may get missed, and we want to make sure you are able to honor your loved one on the date you request.

Please Connect With Us Digitally

FACEBOOK: Red Hill Lutheran Church and School

INSTAGRAM: [redhilllutheranchurch](#)

Red Hill Guest WiFi: RHL_Guest

New RHL Guest password: John3:16RHL

An Open Invitation to Join Red Hill's Altar Guild

Our Altar Guild Ministry is looking for a few more volunteers to join their team. Altar Guild is an important "behind the scenes" ministry whose duties are focused on preparing the sanctuary for the glory of God. Elements for Holy Communion are prepared for both worship services each Sunday. The Altar Guild also prepares the sanctuary for baptisms as needed and decorates the sanctuary for Christmas, Holy Week, Easter, and other festival days throughout the year. No prior experience is required. To join this amazing servant team or to get more information about Altar Guild, contact Patti Sullivan at rzgrdnr@yahoo.com or 714-309-3841

Contact Information Updates

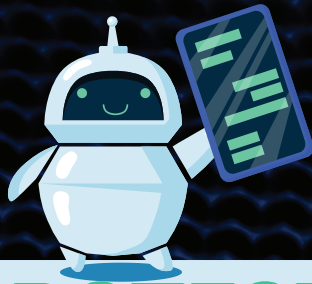
If you have moved and/or updated your phone numbers or email addresses, please fill out a worship response card with your new contact information and place it in the offering plate.

Ushers Needed!

Do you have some extra time on Sunday mornings? We are looking for a few new ushers, men or women. Contact lead usher, Shannon McNiel at shannonmcniel@yahoo.com.

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ADULTS ONLY
NO RSVP NEEDED



PROTECT young eyes™ PARENT PRESENTATION

Technology is everywhere. Are you prepared to guide your children through it with wisdom and confidence?

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH @6:30PM

Join Doug Crawford from Protect Young Eyes for a powerful and practical session designed to help parents:

Understand the emerging risk of AI and kids

Set healthy tech boundaries

Create open, faith-centered tech conversations

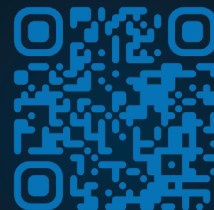
Stay informed on the latest apps and trends

Foster a home that's both connected and protected

This isn't just a talk about screen time—it's a message about shaping hearts. This presentation beautifully connects faith and digital parenting, aligning with our "Wholehearted" school theme (Mark 12:30) and reflecting Deuteronomy 6:5.



Preview Video



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**9:00AM -
12:30PM**

**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14TH**

**FUN FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY**

Food
Drinks
Games
Raffle Prizes
Family Photos
Fun...Lots of Fun!

**JOIN US IN
THE CLC**

**COMPLETE YOUR PUNCH CARD TO
BE ENTERED INTO OUR RAFFLES**

Prizes for all ages!

Sunday, September 7th, 2025
Sermon Series: "I Believe." The Nicene Creed.
(Pentecost, 2025)
"God's Word."

I Believe...The Bible!

We Can Trust the Bible...

2 Peter 1.16 For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

Luke 24.19b-21 ... "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,"²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him.²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.

Mark 10.33-34 "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles.³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

Psalms 22.16 For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet...

Psalms 130.7 O Israel, hope in the LORD! FOR WITH THE LORD THERE IS STEADFAST LOVE, AND WITH HIM IS PLENTIFUL REDEMPTION.

Luke 24.27, 32 ... "And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself...."³² They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

Psalms 119.105, 111-112 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path...¹¹¹ Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart.¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

(Answers: Historically. Theologically. Personally).

What We (Red Hill Lutheran Church and School) Believe About the Bible

The canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired and inerrant Word of God. In the Bible, God addresses us through Law and Gospel, revealing judgment and mercy through word and deed, beginning with the Word in creation, continuing in the history of Israel, and centering in all its fullness in the person and work of Jesus Christ. The Bible is the authoritative source and norm of our proclamation, faith and life (*Sola Scriptura*). (*Psalm 119:105,160; Proverbs 30:5; Matthew 5:18; John 16:12-13; 2 Timothy 1:13; 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21*).

The Lutheran Confessions

“We believe, teach, and confess that the only true rule and norm according to which all teachings, together with [all] teachers, should be evaluated and judged (2 Timothy 3:15-17) are the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures of the Old and New Testament alone...other writings by ancient or modern teachers—no matter whose name they bear—must not be regarded as equal to the Holy Scriptures. All of them are subject to the Scriptures (1 Corinthians 14:32) ...” (*Formula of Concord, Epitome Summary 1-2*)

Some Bible Study Resources:

Bible Translation (ESV, NASB, NLT, NIV, KJV)

logos.com (Advanced)

Bible Concordance

Bible Atlas

Bible Commentaries

“The Bible Project”.... <https://bibleproject.com/> (Web-based instructional videos, article, blogs)

A Bible Study Practice: A few questions to consider when reading/studying/mediating on a text:

- What is this text telling me about God, His character/identity; about me/my relationship with God/others? (Theologize before you moralize)
- Is there a sin to repent of and/or avoid?
- Is there a promise to trust?
- Is there a prayer to repeat?
- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a condition to meet?
- Is there a verse to memorize?
- Is there an erroneous view exposed?
- Is there something else the Lord may be particularly saying to you?

As you study and/or meditate on Scripture, prayerfully consider the questions above, and how you might pursue greater faithfulness in your relationship with Jesus. Be specific about what you will do (or not do) and whom you will ask (in addition to the Lord) to help you.