



Know Christ.  
Make Christ Known.



## 8:00am Worship for the Week of April 26, 2026

*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](http://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](mailto:info@redhillchurch.org).

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### 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

8:00 a.m. – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

*“Our anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows, but only empties today of its strengths.” — C. H. Spurgeon*

Congregation responses are in **BOLD print**.

+GATHERING+

## PRELUDE

Meditation on “Slane”

Arthur Mills

*Dr: Linda Brown*

## OPENING HYMN

### Lord of All Hopefulness

- 1 Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ev - er
- 2 Lord of all ea - ger-ness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were
- 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to
- 4 Lord of all gen - tle-ness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is con -



child-like, no cares could de - stroy: be there at our wak - ing, and  
skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our la - bors, and  
wel - come, your arms to em - brace: be there at our hom - ing, and  
tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm: be there at our sleep - ing, and



give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## 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:

cleans 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.**

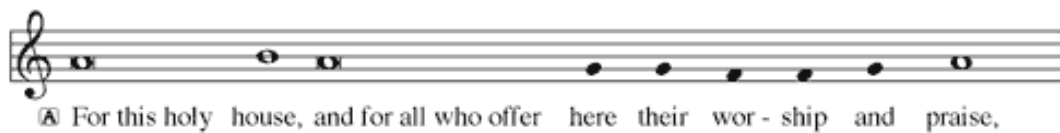
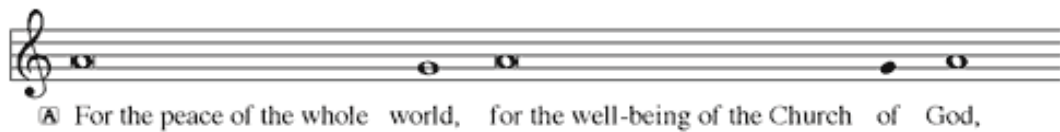
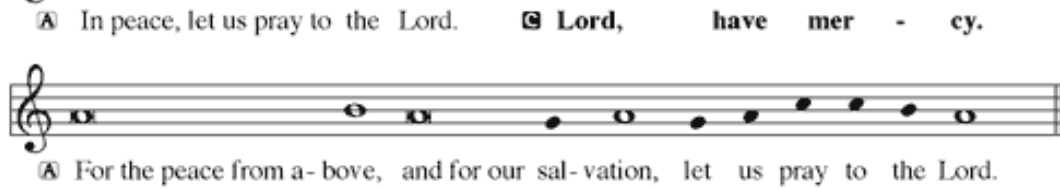
**Amen.**

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*



HYMN OF PRAISE

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

Ⓑ 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

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray...

We ask, O God, that You would enlighten us by the truth of Your Word, and You would search our hearts as we consider how this truth applies to us. We pray, heavenly Father, that we would honor You in our thought life and in our desires and ambitions, and in every area of our life before You. We ask these things in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

+WORD+

READING

**Psalm 55.1-5, 16-19, 22-23**

Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy! <sup>2</sup> Attend to me, and answer me; I am restless in my complaint and I moan, <sup>3</sup> because of the noise of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked. For they drop trouble upon me, and in anger they bear a grudge against me. <sup>4</sup> My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen upon me. <sup>5</sup> Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me. <sup>16</sup> But I call to God, and the LORD will save me. <sup>17</sup> Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan, and he hears my voice. <sup>18</sup> He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage, for many are arrayed against me. <sup>19</sup> God will give ear and humble them, he who is enthroned from of old, because they do not change and do not fear God.

READING

**Philippians 4.4-9**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL

**Matthew 6.25-34**

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>28</sup> And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup> For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. <sup>34</sup> “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

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](http://redhillchurch.org/give).*

OFFERTORY

Allegro

Leon Boellman

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
and for all people according to their needs...

*Prayers are included for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, special concerns. The congregation may be invited to offer other petitions.*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, 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.*

#### COMMUNION BLESSING

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Sing & Dance, Children of God  
*Red Hill Lutheran Children's Choir*

+SENDING+

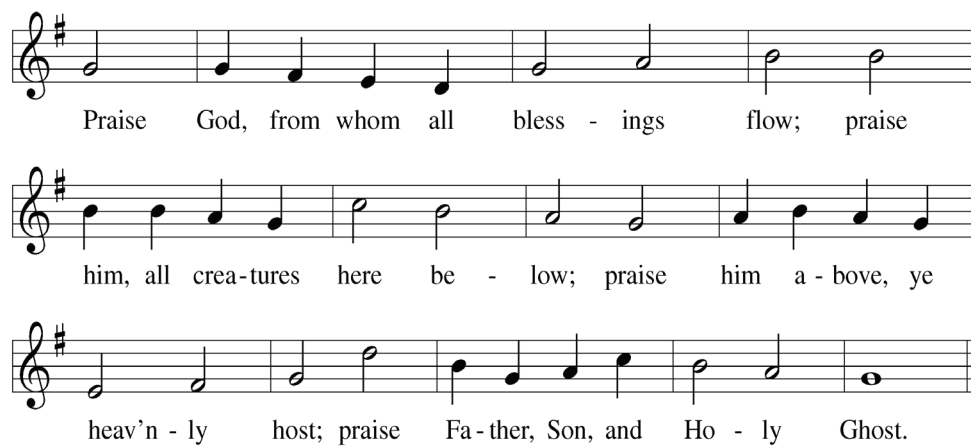
#### BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

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!**

DOXOLOGY



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

POSTLUDE

Recessional

William Mathias

## THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

April 26 Kelly Gertonson, Ken Jones, Pamela Thompson  
April 27 Andy Morrow, Kahleah Orta  
April 28 LK Bannister, Andrea Coughran  
April 29 David Cecil, Laura Harney  
May 1 Joseph Heneghan, Gloria Tomas  
May 3 Sloane Gibbons, Nancy Pace

## ANNIVERSARIES

April 23 Zelda and Andre de Beer  
April 29 Ilsia and David Reuter

## PRAYER & CARE

### New Prayers This Week:

Requested by Dennis and Kim Kinney: Prayers for Joan Roslinton recovering from surgery and her body to regain strength and her son Glenn in his faith journey. Requested by Shelley McCollum: Continued prayers for Clare McCollum recovery and increased ability in his speech.

### Continued Prayers:

Pam Vaughn, John and Anthony McEvers, Payton Herr and Family, Freddie Desborough, Tona, Solomon Reed, Eileen, Ron Feiken, Jeff Kramer, Carolyn Bergt, Trisha, B&C, \*Rob Mills, Teri Burch, Katie W., Tuck Coop, Tamara Lippert, Denise Pace, Drew Lippert, Sheila D., Barbara Miller; Jane Thorson W., 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, Danny Smith  
**Healthy Pregnancy** - Jessica Parks, Kiley Reiten, Danielle Scalzo, Alison Kooistra

### 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.

## THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Altar Guild:** Patti Sultivan, Debbie Hays, Laurie Henry, Rosa Dalton, Barbara Bomgren, Donna Wiksell, Melissa Gomez, Patty Reiten, Renee Mihalovich, Sue Raybourn, Betty Ackerman-Flowers, Jennifer Brown

**Ushers:** 8:00: Shannon McNeil (HEAD and LEAD), Brad Brooks, Larry Lippert, Karl Kotke 10:15: Dutch Kramer (LEAD), Sharon Van Sant, Laurie Oard, Michael Mihalovich

**Readers:** 8:00 Carol Pickford 10:15 Jason Harney

**Communion Servers:** 8:00 David Kulcinski & Ann Hernandez, Amy Ronce (B) 10:15 Melissa Gomez & Brian Crooker, Melinda Olmedo (B)

**A/V Team:** Manny Olmedo, Tom Waldron, James Pace, MJ Sievert, Brad Wong, Katy Wong, Jason Harney, Gary Fortner

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

### Livestream Ministry and Worship

The best way to watch our worship services live and on-line is to visit [redhillchurch.org](http://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 Mark Sievert at [msievert@redhillchurch.org](mailto:msievert@redhillchurch.org) or Donna Kunz at [dkunz@redhillchurch.org](mailto:dkunz@redhillchurch.org).

### Hearing Assistance for our Worship Services

If you would like to enhance your ability to hear the worship services by connecting to your phone or tablet, please pick up a flyer from the table in the Narthex which will provide you with step-by-step instructions as to how to use this service.

### Join our Church Music Ministry!

To get connected to one of our classical music ministry groups, please email [jharney@redhillchurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:icoughran@redhillchurch.org)

## BIBLE STUDY/COMMUNITY

### DiscipleU Class: "HisStory: The History of Christianity From Pentecost to Parousia"

Resumes next Sunday Morning in the Christian Life Center (CLC)

9:15am to 10:00am

Taught by Pastor Seth

Our DiscipleU series explores the story of the Christian church from its beginnings to today. In this class we will trace how the message of Jesus Christ spread throughout the world, from the early church after Pentecost to the global church of the present day. Together we will see how God has worked through history to build and sustain His church as believers carried out Christ's command to "make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19-20).

Throughout this series, we will explore key moments and movements in church history, including the growth of the early church, the development of creeds and councils, the Middle Ages, the Reformation, the rise of Christianity in England and America, and the spread of the gospel around the world in modern times.

### Hearing from our Missionary Partners on Today at 9:15am

Join us this morning in the CLC for a special DiscipleU opportunity. We have the privilege of welcoming our missionary partners, Barto and Tenielle Yelkouni and their family, to share their powerful testimony and how God has been at work in their lives and ministry. Since moving to Burkina Faso in 2018, the Lord has grown their mission in incred-

ible ways. They began with starting a small school that now serves 400 students from six villages, to developing agricultural and clean water projects that open doors to share the Gospel. Even through seasons of uncertainty, including political unrest and displacement, God has remained faithful, expanding their ministry beyond what they imagined. Come and be encouraged by what God is doing around the world, and learn how our church and school partner in this mission. All are invited to join us this morning in the CLC to hear firsthand how lives are being transformed through Christ. If you have questions, or want to learn more about Barto and Tanielle, please email Stephanie at [smcarthur@redhillchurch.org](mailto:smcarthur@redhillchurch.org)

### “Wednesdays in the Word.”

#### Wednesday Morning Bible Study

“The Book of Jonah” Teacher: Pastor Seth

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

Mention the book of Jonah and most people will say “the whale story.” However, the book of Jonah is much more than that! The book of Jonah reflects a deep, theological focus on God’s sovereignty as well as His mercy. As a Prophet, God commands Jonah to call to repentance one of Israel’s ancient enemies: Nineveh. Rejecting his divine appointment, Jonah angrily flees from God and through his “running away” from God, Jonah discovers that God is more faithful, merciful, and graceful than Jonah ever knew and could hope for!

You are welcome to join us for this verse-by-verse study in the book of Jonah. As always, this study is also livestreamed as well as recorded and posted on our website so that you can participate at any time! Bring your Bibles, bring your questions and bring your desire to learn more about Jesus and His plan for you. You are always welcome!

#### RHL Women’s Circles Bible Study – May

The Circles will continue their current studies in May.

Monday, May 4th, 6:30 pm: Rebekah Circle, in Peter’s Parish Contact Martha Toft: [martha.toft@gmail.com](mailto:martha.toft@gmail.com)

Tuesday, May 5th, 9:30am: Deborah Circle, in Peter’s Parish Carmen Gogosha: [4gogosfam@gmail.com](mailto:4gogosfam@gmail.com)

Tuesday, May 5th, 10:00 am: Grace Circle, at The Groves in Irvine Contact Marlene Thorson: [emthor@cox.net](mailto:emthor@cox.net)

#### RHL Quilters

Quilters meet on Monday morning from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, in Peter’s Parish. We invite all adult women to bring your lunch or snack and enjoy fellowship with us. For more information on our quilts and our partnership with Lutheran World Relief, please contact Nancy Pace at [n15pace@yahoo.com](mailto:n15pace@yahoo.com).

#### Helping Hands - Women’s Fellowship and Serve Event

Join us on Saturday, May 16th from 9:30am to 1:00pm in the CLC (Christian Life Center) for a morning of fellow-

ship, service and inspiration. Together we will pack 1,000 hygiene kits in support of THE HUB OC, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing essential services like meals, personal care items, and housing assistance to individuals experiencing homelessness in Orange County. Brunch will be provided and the cost to attend is \$15.00 per person.

Please visit our table on the Patio for more information and to register, or email Kym Rogers at [kymberly-rogers@gmail.com](mailto:kymberly-rogers@gmail.com).



#### Mensday Bible Study

All men of Red Hill are invited to an informal dinner & Bible study Monday nights, 6:30pm in Peter’s Parish. We meet off-site the 1st Monday of the month. We typically discuss Pastor Seth’s Compass notes. Come and give it a try! Contact: Tom Waldron [tjwaldron3@aol.com](mailto:tjwaldron3@aol.com) 714-697-5349

## YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

#### Red Hill Youth & Family Ministry

Are you interested in learning more about Red Hill’s Youth & Family Ministry (YFM)? Stop by our table on the patio to say hello, or email our team. We’re here to support and serve your family—let’s connect!

#### Contact Our YFM Team:

- Beth Stoffregen – Director of Youth & Family Ministry | [beths@redhillchurch.org](mailto:beths@redhillchurch.org)
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- Tim Rivera – Student Ministry Coordinator | [trivera@redhillchurch.org](mailto:trivera@redhillchurch.org)

#### T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry

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

T.O.T.S. Early Childhood Ministry provides a nurturing environment for Christ’s littlest disciples—ages six weeks to five years—to play, learn about Jesus, sing praises, and grow excited about joining the worshiping community. A great season of joy extends from Easter to Pentecost in the Church! During this time, we will explore stories recounting the acts of the apostles and learn more about the Holy Spirit by reciting the third part of the Apostles’ Creed. Today’s Biblical story is “Little Lambs.” Contact Brie Longoria for more information.

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

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

Today - K.I.D.S. Fellowship, 10:00am-11:15am,

K.I.D.S. Ministry brings elementary-aged kids together to Know Jesus, Impact the world around them, become Disciples of Jesus and Serve others - K.I.D.S. As we wrap up this month's teaching series, today's lesson is "Jesus at the Sea of Galilee" found in John 10:1-11; 21:1-17. Contact Itzel Mancilla for more information.

### **K.I.D.S. Ministry May Teaching Series – "True Story"**

A Teaching Series from the Book of Acts on The Early Church

Can you remember the last time you got lost in a really good book? The epic quests, daring escapes, and wild adventures make it hard to put down! While our lives might not include mythical creatures or fantastical lands, we're all part of an incredible adventure—following God and helping others do the same. We invite kids to join us as we explore the amazing and true stories about Jesus that show us what it means to live for God.

### **VBS 2026: Rainforest Falls... Exploring the Nature of God**

June 8th - 12th | Half Day and Full Day Options

Join us this summer at Rainforest Falls. Children will explore the nature of God – discovering who God is and how much He loves them! They will get rooted in memorable Bible activities and experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, sing catchy songs, play team-building games, devour treetop treats, make cool crafts, worship and hang out with friends. Each day concludes with a Canopy Closing that will get everyone involved in living what they've learned. You won't want to miss VBS - the Very Best week of Summer!

To register or to serve at VBS, scan the QR Code to the right or go to [redhillchurch.org/youth-family/VBS2025](http://redhillchurch.org/youth-family/VBS2025). Contact Beth Stoffregen for additional information.



### **Student Ministry Confirmation Classes**

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

Confirmation is a church rite following two years of instruction in God's Word and Lutheran doctrine. These classes aim to help baptized children deepen their faith and understanding of God and His Word. All middle school or high school students who are interested in Confirmation or have questions can contact Tim Rivera.

**Please note:** There are no Student Ministry Confirmation Classes next Sunday, May 3rd. Confirmation Classes will resume on Sunday, May 10th, from 9:15am to 10:00am inside Peter's Parish.

### **Mid-Week Student Ministry Nights**

Tuesday, April 28th, and Wednesday, April 29th, from 6:00pm-7:30pm in Peter's Parish

High school students are invited to gather on Tuesday evening, and middle school students will meet on Wednesday evening. Both groups will meet from 6:00–7:30 p.m. at Peter's Parish. Come and enjoy food, fun, and fellowship, along with a meaningful time in God's Word. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

### **Move Up Night for Incoming 6th Graders**

Wednesday, May 20th, 6:00pm-8:00pm in Peter's Parish

Calling all current 5th graders (and parents)—you're invited to a special night just for you as you get ready to step into middle school youth group this fall! Come hang out, meet new friends, and get a feel for what youth group is all about! Please note: This night is only for current 5th graders and their parents; middle school students will join us next week.

### **Move Up Night for Incoming 9th Graders**

Tuesday, May 26th, 6:00pm-8:00pm in Peter's Parish

We are excited to invite all current 8th grade students to a special evening designed to help them transition into high school ministry. It's a great opportunity to meet leaders, connect with new friends, and get comfortable in a fun and welcoming environment.

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Are You New to Red Hill? We Have a Gift for You!**

We are so glad you are here and chose to worship with us at Red Hill Lutheran Church. Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning after some time away, you are truly welcome here. Our hope is that you experience God's love and the warmth of our community today.

We invite you to take a moment to fill out a Connect Card so we can get to know you and stay in touch. After the service, please stop by the Welcome Table on the Patio, where we would love to meet you, share a small welcome gift, and provide information about our beliefs, our church, and the many ways to connect and grow within our community.

Thank you for being here—we're grateful to worship with you today!

### **Congregational General Giving for Fiscal Year ending 8-31-26**

Actual General Giving as of 3-31-26 \$758,560

General Giving required to avoid operational deficit \$766,900

Surplus/(Deficit) year-to-date \$(8,340)

Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Sermon Series: “Living Hope.”  
“Hope and Anxiety.” *Matthew 6.25-34; Philippians 4.6-8; Psalm 55.22.*  
(Easter)

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### The *Hope-Less* Couple—Anxiety (Worry)

*Matthew 6.25* “Therefore I tell you, do not be **anxious** about your life...

μεριμνάω (*merimnaō*): Lit., “To care” (Excessively)

### The Antidote to Anxiety...Our Hope...

**C** \_\_\_\_\_ **God’s Goodness.**

*Matthew 6.26, 30* Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?...<sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

**A** \_\_\_\_\_ **for God’s Help.**

*Matthew 6.33-34* But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.<sup>34</sup> “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

*Philippians 4.6-7* ...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.<sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus

**L** \_\_\_\_\_ **the Outcomes to God.**

*Matthew 6.31-32* Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’<sup>32</sup> For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.

*Psalm 55.22* Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.<sup>23</sup> But you, O God, will cast them down into the pit of destruction; men of blood and treachery shall not live out half their days. But I will trust in you.

**M** \_\_\_\_\_ **on Good Things.**

*Philippians 4.8* Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, **think** about these things.

λογίζομαι (*logizomai*): “To reason about” “Account”

(Answers: Celebrate. Ask. Leave. Meditate.)

## Passages to Pray

### ▪ Peace

*(Philippians 4.6-7 ... do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.)*

### ▪ Joy

*(Psalm 16.11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.)*

### ▪ Rest

*(Exodus 33.14 And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.")*

### ▪ Confidence

*(Jeremiah 17.7-8 "Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. <sup>8</sup>He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.")*

### ▪ Guidance

*(Exodus 15.13 "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.)*

### ▪ Protection

*(Psalm 5.11 But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you.*

*Isaiah 41.10 ...fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.)*

### ▪ Power

*(Joshua 1.9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."*

*Ephesians 3.20-21 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.)*

WAYS TO CONNECT



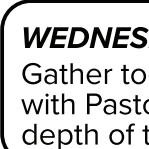
**DiscipleU - HisStory: The History of Christianity From Pentecost to Parousia**  
Join us on Sunday morning as we learn more about the Early church to today.



**WOMENS QUILTING GROUP**  
Each Monday, morning we work together to create quilts for Lutheran World Relief. No sewing experience needed. Adults only.



**MENSDAY GATHERING**  
The Men of Red Hill gather each week to dig into God's Word, enjoy a meal together, and be in community. All Men are invited!



**WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD**  
Gather together to dig deeper into 1<sup>st</sup> Peter with Pastor Seth as he walks through the depth of this impactful letter from Peter.



**GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE**  
Join the RHL Music Ministry for a free concert of patriotic and sacred music to for 250th anniversary of America's founding.



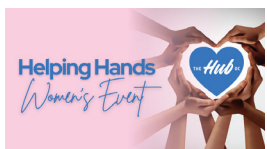
**JOIN A FLOURISHING FAITH GROUP**  
Community is a valuable addition to the life of our church. We encourage you to get connected with a Flourishing Faith Group!



**VBS RAINFOREST FALLS**  
June 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 8:45am - 12:30pm  
Registration Fee: \$100 Don't miss the Very Best Week of Summer (VBS)!!!



**YOUNG FAMILIES SMALL GROUP**  
Join other families as we connect, discuss the Sunday sermon, and join in fellowship together on Wednesday evenings.



**HELPING HANDS WOMENS EVENT**  
Scan the QR code to register to attend this special day of fellowship and service as we partner with THE HUB OC.



Join us for a "tree-mendous" time!

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*\*Full day option also available*

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**Registration now open!**



