



10:15am Worship for the Week of July 12, 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 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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Let us know you were here! Scan this code to get to our Connections Card, and let us know which service you attended. We are glad you are here!

RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

10:15^{AM} Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed. O you who hear prayer; to you shall all flesh come. When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. – Psalm 65

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

TAKE YOU AT YOUR WORD

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Aodhan King, Benjamin Hastings, Cody Carnes

CALL TO WORSHIP

When iniquities prevail against me,

you atone for our transgressions.

Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts!

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,

the holiness of your temple!

I BELIEVE Chris Davenport | Jonathan Smith | Phil Wickham

I believe there is one salvation, One doorway that leads to life

One redemption one confession, I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

I believe in the crucifixion, By His blood I have been set free

I believe in the resurrection, Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

All praise to God the Father

All praise to Christ the Son

All praise to the Holy Spirit

Our God has overcome

The King who was and is and evermore will be

In Jesus' mighty name I believe

I believe in the hope of heaven, He's preparing a place for me

Far beyond what hearts imagine, Ears have heard or eyes have seen

I believe that day is coming, He's returning to claim His bride

Light the altar keep it burning, See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion

Bridge:

No I'll never be ashamed, Of the gospel of Jesus Christ

How could I ever walk away, From the One who saved my life (repeat)

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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.**

LEAD ME TO THE CROSS Brooke Ligertwood

Savior I come quiet my soul, Remember redemption's hill
Where Your blood was spilled, For my ransom

*Everything I once held dear
I count it all as loss*

*Lead me to the cross where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees, Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself, I belong to You
Oh lead me, lead me to the cross*

You were as I, tempted and tried human
The word became flesh, Bore my sin and death
Now You're risen

Bridge:

To Your heart, To Your heart
Lead me to Your heart, Lead me to Your heart

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

READING

Isaiah 55:10–13

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
¹² “For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

READING

Romans 8:12–17

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons^[b] of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JESUS NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES

Naida Hearn

Jesus name above all names
Beautiful Savior glorious Lord
Emmanuel God is with us
Blessed Redeemer living Word

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶ but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ He who has ears, let him hear.”
¹⁸ “Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the

evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³ As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Pastor Seth Britton

GATHERING OF OFFERING *Please complete your worship response card and place it in the offering plate.
The time of Offering is an opportunity to offer up your praise, both outwardly and inwardly.*

OFFERTORY **OH, REDEEMER** Isaiah Coughran
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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.

+SACRAMENT+

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).

For those needing special assistance with partaking in Holy Communion, you are encouraged sit in the front two to three pews so that a Communion Server may be able to serve you in a timely manner. Thank you!

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 Lutheran, 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 at the end of the table.*

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

BEAUTIFUL SCANDALOUS NIGHT

Daugherty/Hindalong

Go on up to the mountain of mercy,
To the crimson perpetual tide
Kneel down on the shore be thirsty no more
Go under and be purified.

Follow Christ to the holy mountain
Sinners sorry and wrecked by the fall
Cleanse your heart and your soul in the fountain that flows
For you and for me and for all

*At the wonderful tragic mysterious tree
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white
On that beautiful scandalous night*

On a hillside you will be delivered
At the foot of the cross justified
And your spirit restored by the river that pours
From our Blessed Saviors side

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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!

THE SOWER SOWED SOME SEED Isaiah Coughran

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THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

July 14 Brian Cope, Dawn Kazoleas, Ted Rigoni
July 15 Alice Milhous
July 16 Kara de Beer, Andrea Chang
July 17 Clare McCollum

ANNIVERSARIES

July 15 John and Linda Garner
July 18 Ryan and Marian Rieches

PRAYER & CARE

Continued Prayers:

Ray Rutter, David & Lori Warner, Lindsay Schaffer, Paula Hopkins, Larry Lippert, Brad Olsen, Tona McGean, Freddie Desborough, Nancy Pace, *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, Clare McCollum, Carolyn Bergt, and B&C

Healthy Pregnancy - Stacia Davis, Kari Woodward, Danielle Scalzo, Alison Kooistra, Denise Estrada

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 Sullivan, Debbie Hays, Laurie Henry, Rosa Dalton, Barbara Bomgren, Donna Wiksell, Melissa Gomez, Patty Reiten, Renee Mihalovich, Sue Raybourn, Betty Ackerman-Flowers, Jennifer Brown, Susan Hansen

Ushers: 8:00: Shannon McNiel (Lead), Larry Lippert, Karl Kotke 10:15: Dutch Kramer, Sharon Van Sant, Laurie Oard, Michael Mihalovich

Readers: 8:00 Sonja Scott 10:15 Jason Harney

Communion Servers: 8:00 Martha Toft, Ken Hays, Harko DeDoer (B) 10:15 Charlene Liebelt, Sarah Desborough, Laurie Henry (B)

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

ALTAR FLOWERS- In memoriam

•In memory of Betsy and Chuck Tarrant

ALTAR FLOWERS

•in honor of Freddie Desborough's birthday on July 5th

WORSHIP and MUSIC

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

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.

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 Mark Siegert at msiegert@redhillchurch.org or Donna Kunz at dkunz@redhillchurch.org.

BIBLE STUDY/COMMUNITY

DiscipleU Study – Recovering the Way with Bob Rognlien

Sunday Morning from 9:15am – 10:00am in the CLC
Join us this summer for DiscipleU as we journey through a video based series, “Recovering the Way” with Bob Rognlien. This 12-part video series follows the life of Jesus from birth to resurrection, using history, archaeology, culture, and stunning visual imagery of the Holy Land to illuminate the Way of Jesus and help us follow Him more closely today. Each session features engaging video teaching, vivid photographs of biblical sites, animated maps, historical reconstructions, and meaningful discussion as we explore discipleship, spiritual formation, mission, and life with Christ. Whether you are new to our church, or looking to grow deeper in your walk with Jesus this summer, you are welcome to join us for this in-depth summer study. If you have questions, or would like more information, please contact Stephanie McArthur at smcarthur@redhillchurch.org

Jonah: The Reluctant Prophet

Wednesday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Seth
7:00am - 8:00am in the Sanctuary and Online

Join the people of RHL as they gain a deeper understanding of the prophetic literature of the Old Testament generally and the circumstances of Jonah particularly. We will examine the nature of a theological tension throughout the Old Testament, made explicit in Jonah; God is both a creator and a covenant God. As creator, God is the God of all.

Yet, God has made a covenant with a particular people, Israel. What Jonah discovers, much to his frustration, is that God's covenantal community is to reflect God's love to all nations—even the enemies of Israel! Finally, we will examine the themes and promises in the book of Jonah that find their fulfillment through the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. 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 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.

Blameless: A Summer Women's Gathering

Join the women of Red Hill for Blameless: A Summer Women's Gathering on Saturday, July 18th from 9:00am to 1:00pm. This special half-day retreat is designed for women, ages 13 and above, to step away from the busyness of life and spend time worshipping, building community, and being encouraged in the truth of who they are in Christ. The morning will include worship led by Noah Rivera, an encouraging message from Stephanie McArthur, breakfast and lunch, and meaningful opportunities to connect with one another. Cost is \$25 per person. Come be refreshed, encouraged, and reminded that through Christ, we are made blameless.

Sign up on the patio after service, or scan the QR Code on the "Ways to Connect" page at the back of the bulletin.

Contact Stephanie McArthur for more information at smcarthur@redhillchurch.org

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 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
- 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

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. Our teaching series, "Love Roots," traces the story of God's redemption promise from the tree in the Garden of Eden to the shoot from the stump of Jesse. We will recite the first part of the Apostle's Creed, praising God our Creator, and play our way through His epics of old! Today's Bible Story is "Joseph's Coat." Contact Brie Longoria or Katelyn Der 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, in the K.I.D.S. Zone

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. This month, we are intentionally focusing on building friendships, strengthening community, and enjoying fun activities together on Sunday mornings. We're excited for this special month of connection. Contact Itzel Mancilla for more information.

Operation Kid-to-Kid™ Summer Mission Project

This summer, our Red Hill community is partnering with World Vision through Operation Kid-to-Kid™ to bring hope and health to families in Central America. In many impoverished communities, fruit trees provide nutritious food for children, additional income for families, and resources that can be shared with neighbors, multiplying the impact throughout an entire community. Children and adults are invited to support this outreach effort. A gift of just \$9 provides one fruit tree seedling to a family, along with training and support for planting and caring for the tree. Join us as we extend God's love beyond our community and help families flourish. If you would like to contribute, we are accepting donations in the form of cash or check. If you are writing a check, write VBS 2026 Mission Project in the memo line. All donations will appear on your giving statement. Contact Beth Stoffregen or Itzel Mancilla for more information.

Student Ministry Confirmation Classes

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

Confirmation is for middle school and high school students, designed to help them grow in their faith through God's Word, Lutheran teaching, topical studies, and honest discussion about life and faith. Students are encouraged to ask questions, grow in community, and deepen their understanding of who God is. If you would like more information, please contact Tim Rivera.

No High School Ministry

Tuesday, July 14th

High School Ministry will not be meeting this week. High school students are encouraged to join us on July 15th for our All Youth Water Wars! If you would like more information, please see the announcement below or contact Tim Rivera.

Student Ministry Water Wars | RHL → Hickey Residence

Wednesday, July 15th, from 5:00pm-7:00pm in Peter's Parish

Middle and high school students are invited to join us for Water Wars, an evening packed with water games, team challenges, dinner, swimming, and a short devotional! We'll kick things off at Red Hill Lutheran (Peter's Parish) before walking together to a nearby home for pool time and fellowship. Students must bring a swimsuit, towel, water bottle, change of clothes, and shoes that can get wet, and anything they can use to soak their friends with!

Please note: Students will be dropped off at Red Hill Lutheran but picked up at the Hickey Residence at 7:00 PM. The pickup address will be provided upon registration. Registration is required. Scan the QR code to register for the event. We hope to see you there for an unforgettable night of summer fun! If you would like more information, please contact Tim Rivera.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Endowment Fund - Support the Future of Our Church & School

Red Hill Lutheran Church and School invite all members to thoughtfully and prayerfully consider supporting the Endowment Fund, an enduring means of sustaining the mission and ministries of our congregation and school for generations to come. Grounded in Christ's love, our shared mission is to proclaim the Gospel, nurture faith through worship and education, serve others with compassion, and equip both church members and students to live out their faith in daily life.

Contributions to the fund are faithfully stewarded to pro-

vide a stable, long-term source of financial support, enabling both the church and school to serve our community, care for those in need, provide Christ-centered education, and continue growing together in faith. Through faithful and intentional stewardship today, we help ensure a vibrant and lasting legacy for future generations of both the church and the school.

Contact us: endowment@redhillchurch.org.

www.redhillchurch.org/give

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!

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RHL RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

WOMEN'S GATHERING

Blameless

BE ENCOURAGED. BUILD COMMUNITY. CONNECT.

SEE THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFO.

Saturday JULY 18TH 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
BREAKFAST & LUNCH INCLUDED

COST \$25.00 PER PERSON

- A MORNING TO GATHER**
Join women of all ages for a meaningful morning of worship, encouragement, and connection.
- BUILD COMMUNITY**
Connect with other women, share life, and support one another in faith.
- BE ENCOURAGED**
Leave refreshed, inspired, and reminded that you are not alone.

MORNING WORSHIP with our very own **NOAH RIVERA**

ENCOURAGING MESSAGE BY **STEPHANIE MCARTHUR**

“Blameless”
He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world... to be holy and blameless in His sight.
—EPHESIANS 1:4

Come as you are!
Spend a morning being refreshed, encouraged, and reminded of your identity in Christ.

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!

Scan QR Code TO REGISTER

INVITE A FRIEND | MAKE MEMORIES | GROW TOGETHER

QUESTIONS? CONTACT STEPHANIE MCARTHUR AT SMCARTHUR@REDHILLCHURCH.ORG

WAYS TO CONNECT



Every Sunday
9:15am - 10:00am
In the CLC



DiscipleU - Recovering the Way

Join us on Sunday morning for this video based series with Bob Rognlien as we journey through history, archaeology, culture, and discussion.



Every Wednesday
7:00am - 7:45am
In the CLC

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD

Join us as we study the book of Jonah - The Reluctant Prophet. Each Wednesday morning from 7:00am - 7:45am



Saturday, July 18th
9:00am - 1:00pm
in the CLC



BLAMELESS - WOMEN'S GATHERING

Register to join us on Saturday, July 18 along with the ladies of Red Hill for worship, message, and fellowship.



Saturday, Aug. 15th
8:00am - 10:00am
in the CLC

Men's Breakfast

Gather with the Men of Red Hill for our next Men's Breakfast. The cost is \$10.00 to attend, and is open to all men 13 yrs and up.



Tuesday, Aug. 18th
12:45pm - 2:00pm
The Groves in Irvine



Women's Book Club

Come discuss "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi with the women of Red Hill. We meet at the Groves in Irvine for fellowship together.



Sunday, Sept. 13th
9:00am - 1:00pm
in the CLC

Red Hill Lutheran Ministry Expo

Save the date for our Fall Kick Off and Ministry Expo on Sunday, September 13th. Please contact Stephanie for more info.



Jesus the Teacher...His Parables

Matthew 13.1-3 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow..."

παράβολή (*parabolē*): Lit., "To throw alongside."

"The Parable of the Sower" (vs.4-9)

The Seed, the Sower, the Soils: The Kingdom of God... The Mission of Jesus... The Heart

Matthew 13.18-19a "Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom...

The Condition of the "Soils" (Heart)

Matthew 13.19b: The Path: **Resistant**.

... and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart...

συνίημι (*syniēm*): "To bring together"

Matthew 13.20-21: The Rocky Ground: **Shallow**

...this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away...

σκανδαλίζομαι (*skandalizomai*): "To take offense" "To cease believing"

Matthew 13.22: The Thorns: **Divided**

...this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful...

Matthew 13.23: The Good Soil: **Receptive**

...this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

"Heart and Soil" Jesus' Work in My "Soil" (Heart)

John 15.1, 5 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser...⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

γεωργός (*geōrgos*): "A (tenant) Farmer" μένω (*menō*): "To remain in place" "Be connected"