



8:00am Worship for the Week of August 9, 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 to 11:15 am Contemporary worship

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RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

8:00 a.m. – 11th Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

I love you, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.. – Psalm 18

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

+GATHERING+

PRELUDE

“Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise”

Malcolm Archer

Dr. Linda Brown

OPENING HYMN

Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Matthew 28:19; [18:20]

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

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

1 John 1: 8-9

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

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

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

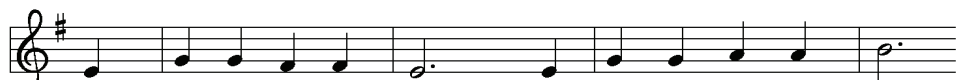
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

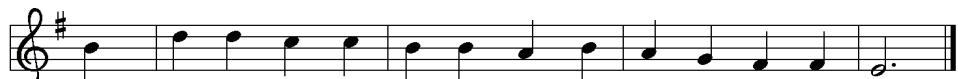
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE *Mark 10:47*



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!

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou - sand thou - sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless - ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

READING

Job 38:4–18

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
 Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵ Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
 Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶ On what were its bases sunk,
 or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷ when the morning stars sang together
 and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
⁸ “Or who shut in the sea with doors
 when it burst out from the womb,
⁹ when I made clouds its garment
 and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰ and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,
¹¹ and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?
¹² “Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
 and caused the dawn to know its place,
¹³ that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
 and the wicked be shaken out of it?
¹⁴ It is changed like clay under the seal,
 and its features stand out like a garment.
¹⁵ From the wicked their light is withheld,
 and their uplifted arm is broken.
¹⁶ “Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
 or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷ Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
 or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
¹⁸ Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
 Declare, if you know all this.

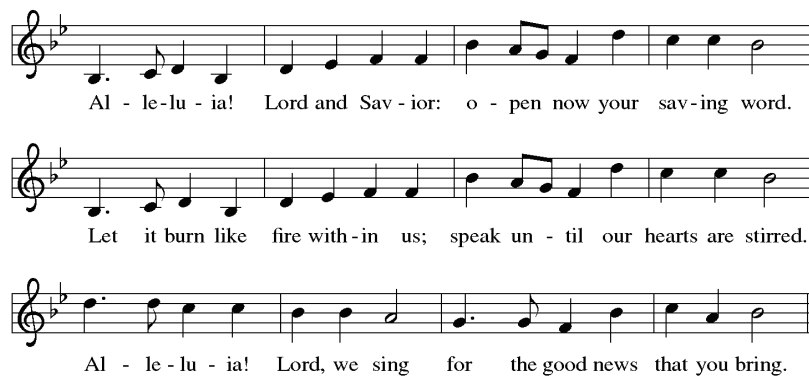
READING

Romans 10:5–17

For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶ But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³ For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
¹⁴ How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷ So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14.22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Pastor Seth Britton

+SACRAMENT+

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

OFFERTORY

Seek Ye First (The Lord's Prayer)

by Karen Lafferty

Mindy Harney, and Tom Waldron

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 2nd grade and above who are Baptized and who have received First Communion Instruction, are welcome to come commune with their family).

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

We lift them to the Lord.

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

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 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 MEDITATION

COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through 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

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud and Honor” *Malcolm Archer*

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

August 10 Jack Dickleman, Patrick Maher, Amanda Rieches,
Phillip Schaffer, Kathy Tarrant
August 11 Riana King
August 12 Robin Fordham, Jessica Parks
August 13 Sheila Feher
August 14 Susan Cooper, Kathy Francis, Diana Spinoglio
August 15 Olivia Ripley

ANNIVERSARIES

August 10 Chris and Lisa Fiege-Kollmann
August 14 Stefan and Carmen Gogosha
August 15 Mike and Charlotte Waggoner

PRAYER & CARE

New Prayers This Week:

Requested by Kathy Tarrant: Prayers of healing for Hilary Hurt and her doctors as she continues her health battle. Requested by Joshua Bransetter: Prayers of health, protection and safe travels for upcoming UFC competitions in Las Vegas and Phoenix.

Continued Prayers:

Lola Campos, Danny, Ray Rutter, David & Lori Warner, Lindsay Schaffer, Paula Hopkins, *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, Donna Wiksell, Melissa Gomez, Patty Reiten, Renee Mihalovich, Sue Raybourn, Betty Ackerman- Flowers, Jennifer Brown, Susan Hansen, Kathy Groff

Ushers: 8:00: Ken Hays, Doug Lehman, Joe Heneghan 10:15: Jim Weber, Ray Gomez, Toni Sweeney, Bill Stoffregen

Readers: 8:00 nancy Pace 10:15 Jodi Sprosty

Communion Servers: 8:00 Yvonne Cole & Ann Hernandez, Amy Ronce (B) 10:15 Laurie Oard & Phil Schaffer, Donna Wiksell (B))

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

•In memory of Rollo Pickford - The Pickford Family

*• In celebration of Stacy Martinez' birthday,
With Love, The Rosenberg Clan*

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Holy Baptism...

Today we welcome, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism

Denise Gonzalez.

May God bless and guide Denise as she begins her new lives in Jesus Christ. We also welcome the Sponsors, family, and friends here to celebrate with us today!

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.

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

“Foundations: Called to be God’s People.” The Ministry and Mission of Red Hill Lutheran Church and School.

Begins Sunday, September 6th through 27th 9:15 to 10:00am. In the Christian Life Center (CLC)

During the month of September in “Disciple U”, we will offer a four-week class entitled, “Foundations: Called to be God’s People. The Ministry and Mission of Red Hill Lutheran Church and School. This course will examine the nature of the Christian church generally, as well as the mission, values and commitments of Red Hill Lutheran Church specifically. We will explore questions such as: “Why does the church exist?” “What is the purpose of the church today?” “Why is it important to be a member of a local church?”

If you have been thinking about joining Red Hill Lutheran Church, or have questions about the ministry of our church, you are invited to join us for this important class, as we welcome you into the Red Hill family! Additionally, our hope is that if you are a current member of Red Hill, this course will be a reminder of who we are as God’s people, and how you make a difference in the life of our church (and you can welcome and get to know our newer members!)

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us! We are looking forward to seeing YOU!

“Wednesdays in the Word.”

Wednesday Morning Bible Study.

“The Sermon on the Mount”

Wednesdays 7:00a.m. to 7:45a.m. in the Sanctuary (In person, Livestreamed and Recorded) Teacher: Pastor Seth Jesus’ “Sermon on the Mount” is found in the Gospel of Matthew, chapters 5 through 7. Beginning with the “Beatitudes” and concluding with the surrounding crowds’ astonishment of Jesus’ authoritative teachings, the Sermon on the Mount contains some of the most practical, ethical, and challenging instructions from Jesus about how life is lived according to the truths and values of the Kingdom of God!

Beginning this Wednesday, August 5th, we will begin a verse-by-verse study on this profound and powerful “sermon” given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. You are welcome to join us as we examine...

- The historical, cultural, and contextual issues within the Sermon on the Mount
- Jesus and the Old Testament Laws
- What is prayer and living a life of prayer
- Anger, Forgiveness, and living in freedom

After the study at 7:45 a.m., those whose schedule permits, reassemble at local restaurant in Tustin for breakfast and continuing conversation.

Again, this study is livestreamed beginning at 7:15a.m., as well as recorded and posted on our website so that you can participate at any time!

You are always welcome as we study the Word of God!

RHL Quilters

Quilters meet on Monday morning from 9:00am to 12:00pm, 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@ya-9

hoo.com.

Colossians Women’s Bible Study - Beginning in September

Life is busy, but God’s Word offers lasting peace. Join other women as we study the book of Colossians together through honest conversation, encouragement, prayer, and the promises of Christ. Multiple groups meet throughout the week with morning and evening options to fit your schedule. Study books are \$10.

Choose the study that works best for you:

Monday, September 14 | 6:30 PM

Rebekah Circle – Peter’s Parish

Contact: Martha Toft – martha.toft@gmail.com

Tuesday, September 15 | 9:30 AM

Deborah Circle – Peter’s Parish

Contact: Carmen Gogosha – 4gogosfam@gmail.com

Tuesday, September 15 | 10:00 AM

Grace Circle – The Groves, Irvine

Contact: Marlene Thorson – emthor@cox.net

You can also scan the QR code, stop by the Welcome Table on the patio this Sunday, or visit RedHillChurch.org/Women to learn more.

Men’s Breakfast – Attitude Over Altitude

All men, ages 13 and up, are invited to join us on Saturday, August 22nd, from 8:00 am to 10:00 am in the Christian Life Center (CLC) for a hot breakfast, great conversation, and an encouraging message from Mike Gibbons. Mike, an entrepreneur, explorer, and Mount Everest climber, will share Attitude Over Altitude: Lessons from Mount Everest, a powerful story of perseverance, faith, and choosing the right attitude through life’s challenges.

The cost is \$10 and includes breakfast. Scan the QR code to register, or stop by the patio after worship to see Stephanie McArthur for more information or to sign up in person.

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 | trive-ra@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 are reciting the first part of the Apostle’s Creed, praising God our Creator, and playing our way through His epics of old! Today’s Bible Story is “The Ten Commandments.” 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. “We’ve got spirit, yes we do!” It’s easy to cheer when your team is winning, but it’s a lot harder when things don’t go the way you hoped. This month, we’ll learn what it means to stick with God’s plan through the good times and the hard ones, like when waiting feels long, things feel unfair, or we feel left out. We will explore how we can follow God’s directions, how God gives hope when things feel impossible, how God is with us when life is unfair, and how God created us to work together and help one another. Today’s Bible Story is “God’s Promise to Abraham & Sarah,” found in Genesis 18:1-21:3. 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. A gift of just \$9 provides one fruit tree seedling, along with training and support for planting and caring for the tree. These trees provide nutritious food for children, additional income for families, and resources that can be shared with neighbors, creating a lasting impact throughout the community. We have already raised enough to provide 200 fruit trees! Help us continue making a difference by making your donation by Sunday, August 30th. Donations may be made by cash or check. Please write “VBS 2026 Mission Project” in the memo line of your check. 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.

Mid-Week Student Ministry Nights

Tuesday, August 11th, and Wednesday, August 12th, from 6:00pm-8:00pm in Peter’s Parish

High school students are invited to gather on Tuesday evening, and middle school students are invited to meet on Wednesday evening for our final movie night of the summer. Both groups will meet at Peter’s Parish and are welcome to come and enjoy food, fun, fellowship, and a great time in God’s Word. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California

Men’s Weekend: September 24th-27th, 2026

Women’s Weekend: October 1st-4th, 2026

Location: St. Joseph’s Retreat Facility – Rosemead, CA

Registration Deadline for the Men’s Weekend: September 17th

Registration Deadline for the Women’s Weekend: September 24th

Have you been looking for a way to deepen and enrich your faith? Or perhaps with the busyness of life you feel distant and disconnected from God. Lutheran Cursillo of Southern California is a three-day movement built just for these reasons and held locally in the Los Angeles area.

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 people 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. You can also learn more at www.lcsocal.org.

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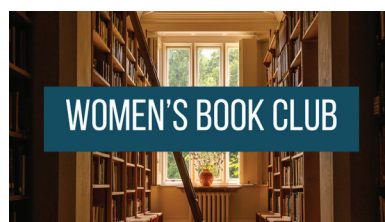
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Sunday Mornings
 9:15am to 10:00am
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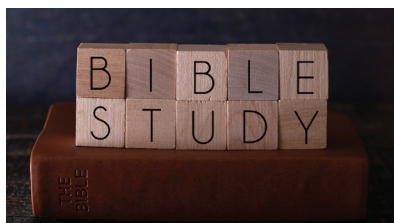
MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sat. Aug. 22nd
 8:00am to 10:00am
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WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Tue. Aug. 18th
 12:45pm to 2:00pm
 Groves in Irvine



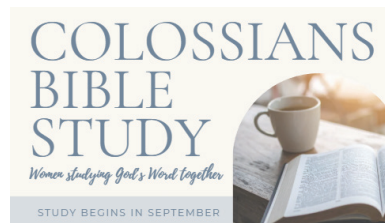
WED. BIBLE STUDY

Wed. Mornings
 7:00am to 7:45am
 Sanctuary



MENSDAY STUDY

Monday Evenings
 6:30pm to 8:00pm
 Peter's Parish



WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Beginning Sept.
 AM & PM Groups
 Peter's Parish



MINISTRY EXPO

Sun. Sept. 13th
 9:00am to 12:00pm
 CLC



WOMEN'S BUNCO

Fri. Sept. 18th
 5:30pm to 7:30pm
 CLC



Fear and Faith Meet on the Sea of Galilee

Matthew 14.22-24 Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them.

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*Matthew 14.25-27 And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “**Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.**”*

θαρσέω (*tharseō*): “Have Courage” ἐγώ (*egō*) εἰμι (*eimi*): Lit, “I Am”

Psalm 77.16, 19 When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; indeed, the deep trembled... ¹⁹ Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters; yet your footprints were unseen...

An _____.

Matthew 14.28-31 And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹ He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

“If you want to walk on water, you have to get out of the boat!”

Matthew 14.32-33 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

(Answers: Revelation. Invitation.)