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Make Christ Known.

Welcome!

RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We're glad you're here!

8:00am Worship for the Week of September 6, 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. – 15th Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

God's laws are just. His prophets and pastors exercise authority in condemning sin, wickedness, and evil. Iniquities cannot be ignored; all are subject to God's authority. We are also subject to earthly governments and authorities who strive to restrain unruly behavior. As citizens in both kingdoms, our conduct should reflect humility, love, duty, and honesty. As members of the Church, it is just that we are called to care for and regain unrepentant sinners.

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

+GATHERING+

PRELUDE

Meditation on Hyfrydol
Dr. Linda Brown

Amy McGuiness

OPENING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-'ry
3 Come, Al-might-y, to de-liv-er; let us all thy
4 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion, pure and spot-less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy
trou-bled breast; let us all in thee in-her-it; let us
life re-ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er-
let us be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-



faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion,
find thy prom-ised rest. Take a-way the love of sin-ning;
more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,
ly re-stored in thee! Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,



pure, un-bound-ed love thou art; vis-it us with
Al-pha and O-me-ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a-bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal-va-tion, en-ter ev-'ry trem-bling heart.
its be-gin-ning, set our hearts at lib-er-ty.
with-out ceas-ing, glo-ry in thy per-fect love.
crowns be-fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise!

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,

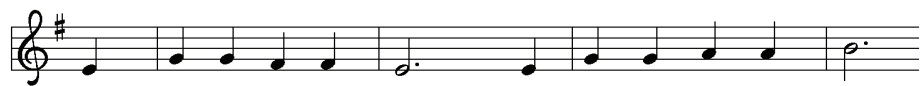
we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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 us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

+WORD+

READING

Ezekiel 33:7–9

So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

READING

Romans 13:1–10

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 18:1–20

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”² And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them³ and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.⁴ Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.⁵ “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me,⁶ but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷ “Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸ And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰ “See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹² What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵ “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶ But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

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

How Great Thou Art
Todd Strange, soloist; Dr. Linda Brown

arr. Lloyd Larson

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 BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

+SENDING+

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

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

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SENDING SONG

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

POSTLUDE

Hymn of Joy

Wayne Wold

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

September 6 Bob Gallagher, Gary Fortner, Tom Kunz
September 7 Jackson Morrow
September 8 Stephanie Wilmoth
September 9 Alan Draper, Chris Gibbons
September 10 Doug Moran, Angela Woodward
September 12 Kyle Fiege-Kollmann, Ashley Oard

ANNIVERSARIES

September 6 Dave and Yvonne Cole, Adam and Elsa Curiel
September 7 Bob and Lori Gallagher,
Fred and Trisha Gebhardt
September 9 Jerry and Lori Unis

PRAYER & CARE

Prayers of celebration for Sally Scalzo and the family of Danielle Scalzo for the birth of their daughter; Requested by Almen Larson: Prayers for the Williams family on the passing of Paul Williams.

Continued Prayers:

Paula Hokpins, Solomon Riuz, Doug Moran Clare McCollum, Carolyn Bergt, Hillary Hurt, *Barbara Jackson, 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, Rebecca Tomlinson, Gloria Tomas, Nancy Ogden, Rick Gertenson, Anita Hollis, and Danny Smith

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 Flowers-Ackerman, Jennifer Brown, Susan Hansen, Kathy Groff

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

Readers: 8:00 David Kulcinski 10:15 Nancy Pace

Communion Servers: 8:00 Harko DeBoer & Martha Toft, Marie DeBoer (B) 10:15 Melissa Gomez & Donna Wiksell, Laurie Oard(B)

ALTAR FLOWERS

*In celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary!
Bob and Lori Gallagherr*

Ministry Expo – Find Your Place at Red Hill!

Join us on Sunday, September 13th, from 9:00AM to 12:30 PM in the CLC for one of our favorite Sundays of the year! Explore the many ministries of Red Hill Lutheran Church & School, meet ministry leaders, enjoy delicious treats, family activities, raffle prizes, and discover how you can get connected. Pick up a beautifully designed ministry guide at each table, complete your stamp card for a chance to win prizes, and find your next step in the life of our church. There's a place for you here! For more information contact Stephanie McArthur at smcarthur@redhillchurch.org

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: icoughran@redhillchurch.org

BIBLE STUDY/COMMUNITY

DiscipleU Study – The Gospel and Christian Ethics

This Sunday, Augu“Foundations: Called to be God's People.” The Ministry and Mission of Red Hill Lutheran Church and School.

Begins this Sunday, September 6th through 27th 9:15 to 10:00am.

In the Christian Life Center (CLC)

Are you looking to be a part of Red Hill, or looking to learn more about who we are? 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 9:00 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.

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 14th | 6:30 PM

Rebekah Circle – Peter’s Parish

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

Tuesday, September 15th | 9:30 AM

Deborah Circle – Peter’s Parish

Contact: Carmen Gogosha – 4gogosfam@gmail.com

Tuesday, October 6th | 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.

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 worshipping 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. This month we are focusing on the stories of Ruth and David while we praise God our Creator, and play our way through His epics of old. Today’s Bible Story is “Ruth’s Rescue.” Contact Katelyn Der or Brie Longoria for more information.

RHL Preschool Family Playdate

Saturday, September 26th, from 10:00am to 11:30am on the RHL Playground

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

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

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. Today we begin a new teaching series, "Help," from the Book of Exodus on Moses. An important part of childhood is learning which grown-ups you can trust. The very first phone number most kids tend to learn is an emergency number because it's important to know who to call when we need help. In this teaching series, we'll help kids see that they can always call on God for the things they need. As kids hear the story of Israel escaping slavery in Egypt (and what happened afterward), they'll discover that God helps us when we're helpless, helps us in our weakness, helps us when we're in trouble, and will even help us help others. God is the help we need — always! Today's Bible Story is "Moses in a Basket" found in Exodus 1:22-2:10. Contact Itzel Mancilla for more information.

Student Ministry Confirmation Classes Begin September 20!

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

Student Ministry Confirmation is starting back up for middle school and high school students who want to grow in their faith through God's Word, Lutheran teaching, and honest conversations about life and faith. Students are encouraged to bring their questions, grow in community, and deepen their understanding of who God is. For more information, please contact Tim Rivera.

Mid-Week Student Ministry Nights

Tuesday, September 8th, and Wednesday, September 9th, 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. 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.

Save the Date: Forest Home Winter Camp Parent Info Night

Wednesday, September 9th, from 6:00pm-7:00pm in Peter's Parish

Red Hill Lutheran youth are headed to Forest Home Christian Camp for Winter Camp, January 15–18, 2027! Parents are invited to a Winter Camp Info Night on Wednesday, September 9, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in Peter's Parish to ask questions, learn about camp, and begin planning for this meaningful investment in their student's faith. Students will

still have youth group during that first hour with our youth leaders.

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: Sept. 17th

Registration Deadline for the Women's Weekend: Sept. 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.

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 provide 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.

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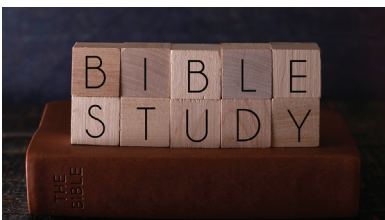
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Starts Sept. 6th
 9:15am to 10:00am
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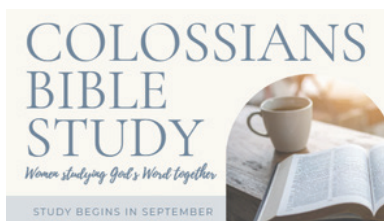
WED. BIBLE STUDY

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



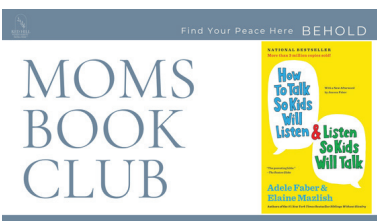
MENSDAY STUDY

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



WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Beginning Sept.
 AM & PM Groups
 Peter's Parish



MOMS BOOK CLUB

BeginS Sept. 25TH
 9:15am to 10:45am
 Peter's Parish



WOMEN'S BUNCO

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



MINISTRY EXPO

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

Men's September
 Women's October
 Contact Beth S.



The Heart of the Church

*Matthew 18.1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the **greatest** in the kingdom of heaven?"*

μείζων (*meizōn*): "Superior" "More" (Comparatively)

A Great Church (Disciple) is....

*Matthew 18.2-4 And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³ and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Whoever **humbles** himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.*

ταπεινός (*tapeinos*): "Of low status"

Matthew 18.5-6 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶ but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

Matthew 18.12-14 What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

John 10.11, 14-15 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep...¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

(Humble. Caring).