



Know Christ.
Make Christ Known.

Welcome!

RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We're glad you're here!

8:00am Worship for the Week of September 13, 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. – 16th Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Seth Britton, Senior Pastor

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

In adversity and blessing, we belong to the Lord. Joseph became an emissary of God's mercy despite His brothers' evil intent. As we navigate and process quarrels, judgments, and opinions, human adversity distorts our life with Christ. We belong to Him as we strive to live. We belong to Him as we prepare to die. Christ resolves adversity from His heart, resolving disputes with wisdom, love, and forgiveness. This, too, is our blessing to receive and to share.

Congregation responses are in **BOLD print**.

+GATHERING+

PRELUDE

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

Kevin Hildebrand

Dr. Linda Brown

OPENING HYMN

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

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. In peace, let us pray to the Lord. 2. Lord, have mer - cy.

3. For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.

4. Lord, have mer - cy.

5. For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

6. Lord, have mer - cy.

7. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. 8. Lord, have mer - cy.

9. Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. 10. A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

+WORD+

READING

Genesis 50:15–21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶ So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you."' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰ As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹ So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

READING

Romans 14:1–12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ² One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³ Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to

make him stand.

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.”

¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

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 18:21–35

Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

ANTHEM

With A Voice of Singing
Chancel Choir

Martin Shaw

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Pastor Seth Britton

+SACRAMENT+

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

OFFERTORY

“Allegro”

Kevin Hildebrand

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).

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

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

We All Are One In Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called to ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

POSTLUDE

"Thy Strong Word"

Paul Manz

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

September 13 Cheri Starr
September 14 Jared Britton, Adam Curiel
September 15 Nadia Coleman-Yasukawa
September 17 Ann Jelsma
September 18 Brandon Stoffregen
September 19 Taylor Matijevich, Charlotte Waggoner

PRAYER & CARE

New Prayers This Week:

Betty Flowers-Ackerman: Prayers for newly diagnosed Breast Cancer. Prayers of wisdom for doctors, and complete healing; Diane Lehman, healing from cancer diagnosis

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 Colleen Rust 10:15 Jackson Morrow

Communion Servers: 8:00 David Kulcinski & Marie DeBoer, Yvonne Cole (B) 10:15 Donna Wiksell & Brian Crooker, Jodi Sprosty (B)

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

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

Ministry Expo – Find Your Place at Red Hill!

Join us today, Sunday, September 13th, from 9:00AM to 12:30PM 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

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.

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

****Resumes next Sunday, September 20th****

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

Continuing on Sunday, September 20th 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 “DiscipleU”, 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!

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@yahoo.com.

Colossians Women's Bible Study - Beginning this Monday!

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 | 6:30PM

Rebekah Circle – Peter's Parish

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

Tuesday, September 15th | 9:30AM

Deborah Circle – Peter's Parish

Contact: Carmen Gogosha – 4gogosfam@gmail.com

Tuesday, October 6th | 10:00AM

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.

Women's Bunco Night

This Friday, September 18th in the CLC

Looking for a fun evening to laugh, connect, and meet other women? Whether you've played Bunco for years or have never rolled the dice before, this night is for you!

Join the women of Red Hill for a relaxed evening of conversation, friendly competition, delicious snacks, light fare, drinks, and plenty of prizes. No experience is necessary, we'll teach you everything you need to know.

If you're new to Red Hill, new to Women's Ministry, or simply looking to make new friends, this is one of the easiest and most welcoming ways to get connected.

Friday, September 19th

5:30pm to 7:30pm

Cost: \$10 per person

Includes snacks, light fare, drinks, and prizes.

Come as you are, bring a friend, and discover that you belong here.

Register today using the QR code or sign up during our Ministry Expo at the Women's Ministry Table!

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 "Little David." 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. In this teaching series, as kids hear the story of Israel escaping slavery in Egypt (and what happened afterward), they'll discover that God 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 "God Calls Moses" found in Exodus 3:1-4:17. Contact Itzel Mancilla for more information.

No DiscipleU Students Today

Join us next week for Confirmation Classes for 2026

Confirmation Classes are on pause today for the Ministry Expo. Confirmation Classes will officially begin next September 20th. If you're a middle school or high school student or parent interested in Confirmation, or if you have any questions, please contact Tim Rivera.

Mid-Week Student Ministry Nights

Tuesday, September 15th, and Wednesday, September 16th, 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 enjoy a great time of fellowship and 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: 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 gen-

eral, 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. 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!

RED HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

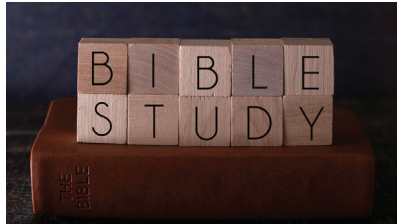
UPCOMING AT RED HILL

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NEW DISCIPLEU

- Starts Sept. 6th
- 9:15am to 10:00am
- CLC



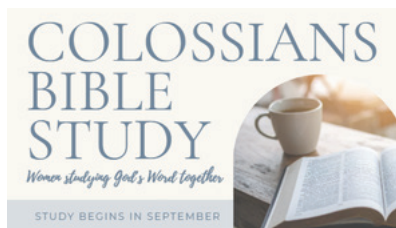
WED. BIBLE STUDY

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



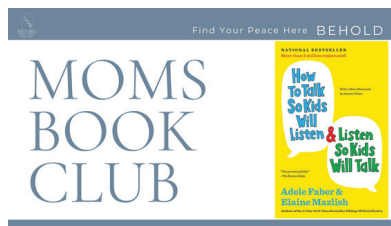
MENSDAY STUDY

- 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
- CLC



CURSILLO WEEKEND

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



Sunday, September 13th, 2026
Sermon Series: "Surrender: Serving the Savior"
"Forgiveness." Text(s): *Matthew 18.21-35*.
(Pentecost)

Matthew 18.21 Then Peter came up and said to him, "LORD, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²*Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.*

Forgiving Others is Not...

When We Forgive...We...

the Resentment.

Matthew 18:26 So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷*And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and **forgave** him the debt.*

ἀφίημι (*aphiēmi*): "To dismiss" "Send away"

Romans 12.17-21 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸*If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.* ¹⁹*Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."* ²⁰*To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head."* ²¹*Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

How We Forgive...We...

God's Redemption.

Matthew 18:32-35 "Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.' ³³*And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'* ³⁴*And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.* ³⁵*So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."*

Genesis 50.19-20 But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God?" ²⁰*As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.*

(Answers: Release. Receive.)