

Welcome to all our guests this morning! We're so glad you chose to worship with us today. We'd love to know you were here and to get you more information about the different opportunities available for you at Ridgecrest. You'll find a white Connect Card on the pew rack in front of you. After filling it out, you can place it in the offering plate as it's passed during the service or you can bring it to the Information Center in the lobby on your way out.

RIDGECREST FAMILY UPDATE (RFU) is TONIGHT at 6:00pm in the Gym. It's time to share God stories, discuss the 2018 Church Budget and stay informed about Ridgecrest happenings and opportunities. Afterwards we'll enjoy some great Chili and fellowship together. High School meets in the Chapel, Middle School will meet in Room 301. Crest Kids will meet in the Ark and Childcare and Hang Time will meet in their usual places. Parents will need to pick up their children after the RFU before eating.

Mission Trip Opportunity – If you would like to go on mission in 2018, pray about going with a team from Ridgecrest to **Belize**. The trip is scheduled for July 25–31. We'll work with one of the churches doing evangelism, children's ministry, youth ministry, and may do light construction. The cost of the trip is estimated to be around \$1600 (includes travel, food and all expenses). For more information, please contact Bro. Greg O'Neal at goneal@ridgecrest.net.

There are still opportunities to bless families this Christmas through our partnership with Word of Christ Ministry in West Jackson. While we've had a great response so far, **there are still several children in need of someone to provide toys for them this year.** You may also choose to donate toward food for needy families. It takes less than \$50 to fill a box. Come by the displays in the main walkway for more information. **Food and toys will need to be brought to Ridgecrest by December 17th.** You are invited to go with us to deliver our food and gifts to Word of Christ on Friday, December 22nd as part of our Christmas Matters mission opportunities.

Begin your Christmas Eve celebrating with the Ridgecrest Family! Beginning with a time of food and fellowship at 9:30am, followed by our Christmas Eve service in the Worship Center for all ages at 10:30. This will be a great way to kick off your Christmas celebration. Make sure to invite your friends, family and neighbors to come with you. Invite Cards are available at the Information Center. If you can bring food for the breakfast, please sign up at perfectpotluck.com – Coord. name: Ridgecrest – Password: 1234 **There will be no afternoon or evening activities at the church Christmas Eve.**

Year-End Contributions – Please help us catch up on our 2017 budget by getting your contribution in early. In order for your Giving Statement to reflect contributions for 2017 tax purposes, your year-end contribution must be postmarked no later than December 30th or hand-delivered to the church office by Sunday, December 31st. Thank you. Although we are behind on our budget, our positive cash flow for the year is \$52,275.

HELP NEEDED – Tomorrow morning (Monday) we need a few workers to help tear down the "Come See the King" stage. You may want to bring a cordless drill.

This Wednesday, December 13th, you are invited to go caroling in the adjacent neighborhoods. We'll meet at the church at 6:00pm and have a time of fellowship in the RAC (gym) when we get back. There is more information and a sign-up sheet at the Ministry Placement Center. Join us as we sing together "Joy to the World, the Lord has come!" and many other favorite Christmas carols.

God's Gift to us is eternal life through Jesus Christ. You have the opportunity to share that Good News through your generosity to the homeless you see every day this Christmas season. At the Ministry Placement Center are some sample cards, candy canes and cards for you to use to give out. Please feel free to take a sample card and as many cards and candy canes as you know you will give out with at least a \$5 bill tucked inside to show God's love and your generosity.

Next Sunday, December 17th we are honored to have Bro. Devon Adams, Pastor of Word of Christ Ministry, preach in our morning worship at 10:30. Come and show your support for our partnership with Word of Christ Ministry in West Jackson.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES AT RIDGECREST

Please set aside a time each week to pray specifically for those who are lost without faith in Christ. Access the Prayer Guide at ridgecrest.net/thelost.

This week's prayer requests:

- Ridgecrest Christmas opportunities for service and generosity
- Assessment process for Our Vision
- Family Christmas celebrations – Jesus is the reason for the season.

Weekly Opportunities December 10 - 16

Sunday:	7:30am Men's Adventure (Rm 103)
	8:40am VIP Meetings
	9:00am Life Groups – DISCIPLESHIP, OBEDIENCE & SACRIFICE
	10:30am "Come See the King" Christmas Concert
	6:00pm Ridgecrest Family Update (RFU) – (Gym) High School Oneighty Worship (Chapel) Middle School CONNECT (Rm 301) Crest Kids (meet in the Ark) Preschool Hang Time (3–K) – The Ark Monkey Rm Childcare (infants–age 2) – The Ark Elephant Rm
Tuesday:	11:00am KEENAGERS Meeting (Gym)
Wednesday:	4:00pm Prayer Meeting (Gym)
	4:45pm Fellowship Supper (Gym) – Menu on website at rbc.org/menu
	6:00pm Ridgecrest Caroling in adjacent neighborhoods
	7:00pm Worship Choir & Band (Choir Room)

For more information, access ridgecrest.net

We want you to worship with freedom. Feel free to sit if you need to.



NEXT STEPS



WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING FOR U

6:00PM

- Men's Adventure (Rm 103) - 5:45pm
- ESL (English as a Second Language): Be a volunteer as the world comes to Ridgecrest (3rd Floor) - last meeting before Break
- A Study of Revelation (Rm 306) - Led by Hart & Karen Lyon
- Beginner Sign Language: Prepare yourself to help reach those in the hearing-impaired community (Rm 101/102)
- Sew Missions: Help reach our world by sewing to supply children's clothes for our mission teams (Rm 104)
- College-Age - Outreach at 6:30pm - For location, call/text 601.624.5549
- Middle School Oneighty Worship (Chapel)
- 252 (Grades 1-3) - HMS Rm - 2nd Floor
- 252 (Grades 4&5) - Mission to Planet Earth Rm - 2nd Floor
- Preschool Party (age 4-K) - The Ark Peacock Rm
- Preschool Party (ages 2-3) - The Ark Parrot Rm
- Childcare (infants-toddlers) - The Ark Elephant Rm



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