Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | Nov 15- Nov 22

Regular Sunday Service Times: 8:30, 9:45, and 11 AM

- **Watch Online:** laurelridgechurch.org/watch-online
- **Nursery/Preschool:** At all service times
- **Kids Church (K-6th) Services:** At all service times
- **THE RIDGE (MS and HS) (7-8th Grade, 9-12th Grade) Community Group:** At all service times.
- **Sundays: Divorce Care:** 4-5:30pm, Gym
- **Tuesdays: Celebrate Recovery:** 6:00 PM, Oakley Campus
- **Wednesdays: Kids and Preteen Adventure** (K-4th Grade, 5-6th Grade) 6:15-8:00 PM
- **Wednesdays: THE RIDGE (MS and HS)** (7-8th Grade, 9-12th Grade) 6:15-8:00 PM
- **Thursdays**: **Prayer Team**: 5:30 PM, Room 104

For all Nursery-12th Grade programs, contact brandon@laurelridgechurch.org

For other opportunities and Community Group info, visit laurelridgechurch.org

Oakley Campus Planner

***11/15:** Baptism Sunday, 11am

11/15-11/29: Angel Tree

11/15: Operation Christmas Boxes Due

11/15: Fall season of Community Groups End

***11/15:** Growth Pathway- 9-10:45am. Rm 301
Home Base, Sharing Jesus with confidence

11/17: SALT 60+ Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, 11:30am

***11/22:** Divorce Care, Surviving the Holiday Session, 4-6pm

11/22: Advent Calendar Available

11/24-26: Office Closed for Thanksgiving

11/25: No Wednesday Evening Child/Youth Program

11/26: Thanksgiving

***11/29:** Community Group Leader Signups

11/29-12/20: One Warm Coat Collection Drive

11/29: Advent Calendar Starts

12/14: Mommy Meetup, 9-11:30am, Gym

12/21-31: Office Closed for Christmas

12/24: Christmas Eve Services (3, 4:30 & 6pm)
Concord Campus, 6pm

***2/7:** Baptism Classes for Children and Students, 12:10pm, Rm 201(Note Date Change)

***2/19-21:** Winter Camp, 7-12th Gr, Sugar Pine, $289, First $100 deposit due 1/24

3/7: Baptism Sunday, 11am

***6/27-7/2:** Kids Camp, 2-6th Gr, Sugar Pine, $539 First $100 deposit due 1/10

***7/5-7/10:** CentriFuge, 7-12th Gr, Jenness Park, $539, First $100 deposit due 1/10

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LAUREL RIDGE
Community Church

QUESTIONS-WISDOM-THEOLOGY
God Won't Give You More Than
You Can Handle
November 15, 2026

Big Idea: **A lie <u>believed</u> as truth will affect you as if it were _____.**

The Bible says there is a distorter of truth. He distorts the truth just enough to get us in trouble, but not enough to <u>scare</u> us away. John 8:38

Spiritual phrases we say:

- **Everything happens for a reason. (Next week)**
- **God won't give you more than you can handle.**

We need to examine these sayings in light of Scripture. Here's why this is important:

1. **These statements lead people to conclusions about God and some of those conclusions are just not _____.**

2. **We may be unintentionally _____ people or pushing them away from God when we use these sayings.**

➢ **<u>Why Do We Say It?</u>**

I think we say it as sort of a **spiritual – pep talk**.

- ***"You got this!" "Hang in there!" "Don't give up!" "God won't give you more than you can handle."***

- **Why Does It Sound Biblical?**

1 Corinthians 10:13 - No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And **God is faithful;** he will not let you be **tempted** beyond what you can bear. But when you are **tempted**, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

tempted: ***by which we are enticed to sin, or to a lapse from faith and holiness. Thayer's Greek Lexicon***

- **The Danger**

1 – It tells us lies about _____.

2 – It tells us lies about _____.

3 – It tells us lies about how to _____.

- **We self-medicate.**
- **We isolate.**
- **We become workaholics.**
- **We start to abuse substances.**

- **The Truth**

- **Sometimes you will face _____ than you can handle.**

John 16:33 - "I have told you these things, so that **in me** you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

YOU…ARE…NOT…_____!

- **It means when hard times come, it's all right to _____,** ***"I can't handle this by myself. I need help."***
- **It means it's all right to _____ on God and other Christ-followers to get you through whatever you're going through.**

- **And it means we don't have to be superheroes because we have a _____ who reigns supreme.**

The saying is not true, but the truth we have is even better:
God will help you handle _____ you've had to live through.

When we face lifes hard times, we need to:

1. **Depend on _____.**

Psalms 46:1 - God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

1 Peter 5:7 - Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

2. **Depend on God _____ others.**

Galatians 6:2-5 - Carry each other's **burdens**, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. [3] If anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. [4] Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else, [5] for each one should carry **his own load**.

- **The word burdens means: Boulder .**
- **The word load means: A knapsack**

Next Steps:

1. **If you are trying to carry your own problems, recognize you are not alone and release those problems to Christ.**

2. **Is God trying to use you to assist a person who has more problems than they can handle.**

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Five Easy Ways to Give:

1. In Person: Place your offering in an offering box at either exit.
2. Our App: Search for "Laurel Ridge Community Church" on iOS and Android.
3. Online: laurelridgechurch.org/give
4. Bill Pay: Setup LRCC on your bank's Bill Pay. Your name is your account number.
5. Mail a check to the church: 2459 Laurel Road, Oakley, CA 94561

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