

Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | Oct 26-Nov 1

Regular Sunday Service Times: 8:40, 9:50, and 11 AM

- **Watch Online:** at laurelridgechurch.org/watch
- **Nursery/Preschool:** At all service times
- **Kids Church (K-6th) Services:** At all service times
- **THE RIDGE (MS and HS) (7-8th grades, 9-12th grades) Community Group:** Now at all service times.
- **Wednesdays, Kids and Preteen Adventure**
(K-4th grades, 5-6th grades) 6:15-8:00 PM
- **Wednesdays, THE RIDGE (MS and HS)**
(7-8th grades, 9-12th grades) 6:15-8:00 PM
- **Tuesdays: Celebrate Recovery:** 6:00 PM, Oakley Campus
- **Thursdays Prayer Team:** 5:30 PM, Room 104
- **Thursdays, Grief Share:** 7:00 PM, Room 301

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

Oakley Campus Planner

10/26-11/17: Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

11/2: Daylight Savings Time Ends

***11/2:** Growth Pathway-9-10:45 am, Rm 301
1st Base, Connect with Jesus and the Church

***11/2:** Child/Teen Baptism Class, 12:10pm, Rm 301

11/2-23: Angel Tree

***11/9:** Growth Pathway- 9-10:45 am. Rm 301
2nd Base, Developing Daily Habits with Jesus

11/9: Fall Quarter Community Groups End

11/10: Mommy Meet Up, 9am, Gym

***11/10:** DivorceCare "Surviving The Holidays."
6:30-8:30PM, South Gym.

11/11: Veterans Day (Office Closed)

11/13: GriefShare Surviving the Holidays Seminar
7-8:30pm, Rm 301

***11/14:** Youth Lock-In, 7pm-7am

11/16: Baptism Sunday, 11am

***11/16:** Growth Pathway- 9-10:45 am. Rm 301
3rd Base, Living Faithfully for Jesus

11/18: SALT 60+Thanksgiving, 11:30am, Gym

***11/23:** Growth Pathway- 9-10:45 am. Rm 301
Home Base, Sharing Jesus with confidence

11/25-28: Office Closed for Thanksgiving

11/26: No K-12 Wednesday Evening Programs

11/27: Thanksgiving Day

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Laurel Ridge Church: Seek God. Build Community. Unleash Compassion.



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Motivated by His Love
October 26, 2025

Recap: Growing – Serving – Connecting – Giving – Going

Laurel Ridge's Values: Seeking God, Building Community and Unleashing Compassion

Luke 15:1-3 - Now the tax collectors and "sinners" were all gathering around to hear him. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³ Then Jesus told them this parable:

- *Jesus is going to tell us how he sees people who are far from God.*

1. Jesus uses three metaphors to describe their _____.

A. He sees them as lost _____.

Luke 15:4-7 - "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, **he joyfully puts it on his shoulders** ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

- **A person far from God lacks _____ insight and strength.**

Matthew 9:36 - When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were **harassed** and **helpless**, like sheep without a shepherd.

B. He sees them as a lost _____.

Luke 15:8 - "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Does she not light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it?"

- A person far from God lacks _____.

C. He sees them as a lost _____.

Luke 15:11-15- Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³ "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. ¹⁴ After he had spent everything, there was a **severe famine** in that whole country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and **hired himself out** to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ **He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.**

- A person far from God lacks _____.

2. Jesus uses three metaphors to reveal the _____
of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

A. Seeking Shepherd= _____

John 10:11- I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Luke 19:10- For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

- It is the nature of the Son to _____
people far from God.

B. Seeking Woman= _____

Luke 15:8- "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. **Does she not light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it?**

- It is the nature of the Holy Spirit to _____
truth to people far from God and believers.

John 16:7-9- But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ in regard to sin, because men do not believe in me;...

C. Seeking Father= _____

- It is the nature of the Father to _____ people far from God.

Luke 15:17-24 - "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.' ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father. **"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.** ²¹ "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²² "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

3. The condition (Weakness, lack of purpose and fulfillment) of the person who is far away from God and the nature (rescuing, revealing and receiving) of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit gives us a picture of what the Church should be about when it comes to "GO".

- To _____ the people who are far away from God.
- To _____ the truth in LOVE.
- To _____ them with grace.

Acts 1:8 - But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in **Jerusalem**, and in all **Judea** and **Samaria**, and to the **ends of the earth**."

"Jerusalem" = *The people closest to me*
"Judea/Samaria" = *People near but different from me*
"Ends of the earth" = *Everybody else!*

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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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