
Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | July 7-July 13

Sunday Service Times: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM

- **Watch Online:** at laurelridge.online.church
- **Nursery/Preschool:** At all service times
- **Kids Church (K-6th) Services:** At all service times
Watch online at 9:50 AM: "Ridge Kids" on YouTube
- **THE RIDGE (MS & HS) Community Group:**
Now at all service times.

Tuesdays, Celebrate Recovery: 6:00 PM, Oakley Campus

Thursdays, Prayer Team: 5:30 PM, Conference Room

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

Bethel Island Campus | Week at a Glance

Sunday Service Times: 11:00 AM

Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

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

Oakley Campus Planner

*7/8-13: Summer Camp, Gr 7-12

7/15: Mommy Meet-up, 9-11:30am, Gym

7/16: Boomers (60+) Nacho Bar, 11:30am, N Gym

7/17: Parent/Child Game Night, Gr K-3, 6:15-8pm, Gym

7/20: Stephanie Pitman Memorial, 11am, LRCC

7/24: Summer Game Night, Gr 4-7, 6:15-8pm, Gym

7/25: High School Night, 6:15-8pm, Gym

*8/4: Next Steps Begin, 9:30am, Rm301

8/10: Grief Share Loss of a Spouse Seminar, 10am-12N, Rm 301

8/11: Promotion Sunday, K-12

*8/14: Ridge Kids & Preteen Adventure Starts

8/15-11/7: Grief Share, 7-8:30pm, Rm 301

*8/25: Child-Teen Baptism Class, 12:20pm, Rm 301

*9/1: Base Camp, 9:30am, Rm 301

9/8: Baptism, 11am

*9/15: Secret Sister's Lunch, 1pm, Gym

*9/28: Men's Breakfast, 8-9:45am, Gym

*Register at laurelridgechurch.org/register

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



Dating, Marriage, and Life
Warning – Financial Stress is Not Normal!
July 7, 2024

Progress means: “Proceeding to a higher stage of development.”

Robert Nisbet

“Margin has been stolen away, and progress was the thief.”

Richard Swenson, M.D.

Week One:

➤ **As soon as we get rushed or overloaded, the two most important things that we should never let go of are the very first things to go.**

1) INTIMATE TIME WITH _____.

Matthew 6:33 - But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness . . .

2) INTENTIONAL TIME OF _____.

“Time of rest” was as much about “faith” as “rest.” Could God do more in 6 days than you could do in 7 days?

Proverbs 21:20 - In the house of the **wise** are **stores** of choice food and oil, but a **foolish** man **devours all he has.**

Margin means: An extra amount allowed beyond what is needed.

1 Timothy 6:6-10 - But godliness with contentment is great gain.⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.⁹ People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

1. OUR CULTURE'S DEFINITION OF HAPPINESS:

_____ THAN I CURRENTLY _____.

Matthew 6:19-21 - "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

On average, Christ followers in the USA give about 2% of their income toward God. That means about 98% goes to the world.

HOW DO I CREATE MARGIN?

I PUT _____ IN MY FINANCES!

WHEN I PUT GOD FIRST:

1) I EXPERIENCE GOD'S _____.

Malachi 3:10 - Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.

- Tithing builds my _____.
- Tithing breaks the _____ of materialism and consumerism in my life.

2) I BECOME SUPERNATURALLY _____.

Proverbs 15:16 - **Better a little** with the fear of the Lord than great wealth with turmoil.

3) I END UP WITH _____ OF WHAT _____.

Proverbs 8:18-19 - With me are riches and honor. With me are lasting wealth and success. ¹⁹ My fruit is **better** than fine gold. My gifts are **better** than the finest silver.

- The choice is yours, you first, or God first?
- Sign up for the Tithe Challenge on the church website

Wi-Fi password: lrccguest

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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