

Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | 11/12-11/18

Sunday Service Times: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM
or online at laurelridge.online.church

Sundays, Nursery/Preschool: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM

Sundays, Kids (K-6th) Services: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM
Streaming online at 9:50 AM: "Ridge Kids" on YouTube

THE RIDGE Community Group: 9:50 and 11am
(7-8th grades, 9-12th grades)

Tuesdays, Celebrate Recovery: 6 PM, Oakley Campus

Wednesdays, Kids (K-4th) and Preteen (5th-6th) Adventure
6:15-8 PM

Wednesdays, THE RIDGE (MS and HS): 6:15-8 PM
(7-8th grades, 9-12th grades)

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

Thursdays, Grief Share: 7 PM Room 301

**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 PM, Fellowship Hall

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

*Register at laurelridgechurch.org/register

Oakley Campus Planner

11/12: Angel Tree Tags Available

11/12: Return OCC Shoeboxes (Prepaid)

11/12: Fall Community Groups End

11/13: Mommy Meet up, 9-11:30am, Gym

11/14: Boomers Thanksgiving, 11:30am, Gym

*11/16: Grief Share Surviving the Holidays Seminar, 7pm, 301

*11/17-18: Lock-In, Gr 7-12, 7pm-7am

11/19: Coat Drive, Bring New or Gently used coats, Lobby

11/19: Baptism Sunday, 11am

11/21-23: Office Closed Thanksgiving

11/22: No Wednesday Evening Program K-12

11/26: No 7-8 & 9-12 Gr Sunday Community Groups

11/26: Angel Tree gifts due in the lobby

12/24: Christmas Eve Services,
8:40am, 9:50am, 11am & 1:30pm

*1/21-3/24/2024: Winter Community Groups

*2/23-25/2024: Winter Camp, Gr 7-12

*3/22-25/2024: Mission Trip, Gr 7-12

*6/23-28/2024: Summer Camp, Gr 2-6

*7/8-13/2024: Summer Camp, Gr 7-12



DISTORTED
Truth: I'm Fine
November 12, 2023

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adjective

- Pulled or twisted out of shape; contorted.
- Giving a misleading or false account or impression; misrepresented.
"his report gives a distorted view of the meeting"

Big Idea: The longer we look at distorted truth as truth, the more likely we will _____ it as a truth.

1. *There's an invisible world that impacts our visible world every single day.*
2. *The Bible says there is a distorter of truth. He distorts the truth just enough to get us in trouble, but not enough to scare us away.*

John 8:38

3. **Jesus believed that the devil's ultimate agenda was the destruction of human life, and that the means by which he destroyed human life was through _____ the truth.**

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."

2 Corinthians 12:9-10- But he said to me, "**My grace is sufficient for you**, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I **delight in weaknesses**, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

_____ : Think well of, to delight, to embrace

Weakness: Disease, infirmity, brokenness.

- **Distorted truth:** Saying or acting like you are fine when really you are not.

KEY TRUTH: THERE IS HOPE, HEALING, AND COMFORT BEYOND YOUR HURTS, NOT JUST FOR YOU, BUT FOR YOU TO SHARE WITH OTHERS.

2 Corinthians 1:3 - Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the **Father of compassion** and the **God of all comfort**...

_____ **MEANS: CALLED TO ONE'S SIDE TO HELP.**

Three Reminders:

1. WE HAVE HOPE, HEALING, AND COMFORT _____.

2 Corinthians 1:3 - **Praise** be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the **Father of compassion** and the God of all **comfort**...

- **“Father of” means: Originator of.**

John 14:16-17 - And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another **Counselor** to be with you forever—¹⁷ the Spirit of truth.

- **GOD HEALS US THROUGH HIS** _____.

2. WE HAVE HOPE, HEALING, AND COMFORT _____ **TO US.**

2 Corinthians 1:4 - ...who comforts us in **all** our troubles...

Romans 8:31-37 - What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall **trouble** or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?... ³⁷ **No**, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

2 Corinthians 4:7-9 - But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. ⁸ We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

3. WE HAVE HOPE, HEALING, AND COMFORT IN GOD, PROMISED TO US, FOR US TO SHARE WITH _____.

2 Corinthians 1:3-5 - Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, **so that** we can comfort those in **any trouble** with the comfort we ourselves have **received from God**. ⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.

• GOD HEALS US THROUGH HIS _____.

Psalms 71:14 - But as for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.

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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.
5. Mail a check to the church: 2459 Laurel Road, Oakley, CA 94561

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