

Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | 3/12-3/18

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 AM
(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

Wednesdays, Bible Study: 7 PM, Fellowship Hall

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

***Register at laurelridgechurch.org/register**

Oakley Campus Planner

* VBS Workers Registration Starts

3/13: Mommy Meet Up, 9-11:30am, Gym

3/21: Boomers BYO Lunch and Movie, 11:30, Gym

*3/26: Spring Community Group Sign ups Begin

3/22, 29: NO Wednesday Evening Programs, K-12

* 3/31: Spring Camp, Gr 7-12, \$75 Deposit Due

4/9: Easter Sunday, 8:40, 9:50 and 11 am

*4/14-16: Spring Camp, Gr 7-12, \$170

4/16: Spring Community Groups Begin

*4/21: Father Daughter Dance

* 4/23: In House VBS Sign ups begin

* 4/30: Children's Baptism Class

*5/7: Next Steps Experience Begins

*5/7: Outside VBS Sign ups begin

5/7 or 6/4: VBS training, 1pm, gym

5/21: Baptism Sunday

* 5/21: Secret Sister's Luncheon, 1pm, gym

*6/10: Men's Breakfast, 8-10:30am, N Gym

* 6/12-6/16: VBS

* 7/2-7: Kid's Sugar Pine Camp, Gr 3-6, \$560, \$100 deposits past due. Spots available first come, first serve

* 7/10-15: Centrifuge Summer Camp, Gr 7-12, \$399, \$100 deposits past due. Spots available first come, first serve



LIVING FOR GOD IN OUR WORLD
What To Do When You're on Trial
1 Peter 4:12-19
March 12, 2023

THREE KINDS OF SUFFERING:

_____ suffering - because I am a human being.

_____ suffering - because I sin.

_____ suffering - because I am a believer.

1. _____ **IT'S BOUND TO HAPPEN.**

1 Peter 4:12 - "Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you."

John 15:20 - (Jesus) "No servant is greater than his master. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also."

Ephesians 6:12 - "We are not fighting against human beings, but against wicked spiritual forces." (GN)

2. _____ **WHEN IT DOES HAPPEN.**

1 Peter 4:13 - "But **rejoice** that you participate in the sufferings of Christ.,"

REASONS TO REJOICE:

A. IT _____ **ME CLOSER TO CHRIST.**

1 Peter 4:13b - " ... as these trials will make you **partners** with Christ in his suffering, and afterwards you will have the wonderful joy of sharing his glory." (LB)

Philippians 3:10-11 - I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

B. IT MEANS THAT GOD CAN BE SEEN IN _____.

1 Peter 4:14 - If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

Mark 8:38 - If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

C. GOD CAN _____ ME.

Acts 5:41 - The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name.

3. _____ TO BE ASHAMED.

1 Peter 4:16 - "**If you suffer as a Christian**, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name."

The antidote to the fear of rejection is twofold:

A. Realize that you don't need the approval of everybody in order to be happy in life.

B. Be more concerned with what God thinks about you, than what other people think about you.

Matthew 5:10 - Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4. _____ **THE REWARD I'LL RECEIVE.**

2 Corinthians 4:17 - "These troubles and sufferings of ours are, after all, quite small and won't last very long. Yet this short time of distress will result in God's **richest blessing** upon us forever and ever!" (LB)

Romans - 8:17 - "Since we are God's children... if we share in Christ's suffering, we will also share in his **glory**." (GN)

5. _____ **FAITHFUL TO GOD.**

1 Peter 4:19 - "So then, those **who suffer according to God's will** should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good."

Do people notice Christ in my life?

Have I been ashamed to take a stand?

Romans 1:16 - "I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is God's powerful method of bringing all who believe it to heaven ... everyone is invited to come to God in this same way."

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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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