Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | 7/9-7/15

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

Tuesdays, Celebrate Recovery: 6 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 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	
*6/25-8/27: Summer Community Groups	8/9: Welcome Wednesday, Gr 7-8, Gr 9-12, 6:15-8pm
7/10: Mommy Meet Up, 9-11:30am, Gym	*8/12 : Grief Share Loss of a Spouse Seminar, 10 am
7/18: Boomer's Nacho Bar, 11:30am	8/13: Sunday Morning Community Groups Begin
7/19: Summer Fun Game Nights: Movie Night, Gr 4-7, 5-8 pm	MS (7-8Gr) and HS (9-12Gr) 8/17-11/9: Grief Share, 7-8:30 pm, Room 301
*7/19: K-3 rd Gr with Parent Scavenger Hunt, 5-8pm	*9/3-24 : Base Camp, 9:30am, Room 204
7/26 : High School Night: Giant Game, Gr 8-12, 6- 8pm	9/4: Office Closed Labor Day *9/10: Children Baptism Class, 12:10pm, Room 301
8/2 : Summer Fun Game Nights: Unbirthday Party, Gr 4-7, 5-8pm	*9/10: Secret Sisters Luncheon, 1pm, Gym
*8/6: Next Steps Begins, 9:30, Rm 301	9/24: Baptism Sunday, 11am
8/6: Promotion Sunday, K-12 Gr	
* 8/9 : Ridge Kids and Preteen Adventure Starts, K-4 Gr, 5 & 6 Gr, 6:15-8pm	

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



UNSEEN WORLD Demonic Forces July 9, 2023

Mark 5:2-8 - When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an <u>evil spirit</u> came from the tombs to meet him. ³ This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him any more, not even with a chain. ⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and <u>cut himself with stones</u>. ⁶ When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Swear to God that you won't torture me!" ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you evil spirit!"

1. WHERE DID _____

COME FROM?

Isaiah 14:12-14 - How you have <u>fallen from heaven</u>, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been <u>cast down</u> to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! ¹³ You said in your heart, "<u>I will</u> ascend to heaven; <u>I will</u> raise my throne above the stars of God; <u>I will</u> sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. ¹⁴ <u>I will</u> ascend above the tops of the clouds; <u>I will</u> make myself like the Most High."

Revelation 12:7-9 - And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸ But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. ⁹ The great dragon was hurled down – that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

See also Ezekiel - 28:12-17

A. DEMONS INFLUENCE THE LEADERS OF

Daniel 10:13 - But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia.

B. DEMONS DESIRE TO INFLICT ______ ON YOU.

Matthew 17:15-18 - "Lord, have mercy on my son," he said. "He has seizures and is suffering greatly. He often falls into the fire or into the water. ¹⁶ I brought him to your disciples, but they could not heal him." 17 "O unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy here to me." ¹⁸ Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of the boy, and he was healed from that moment.

C. DEMONS SCHEME TO ______ YOU AWAY FROM GOD.

1 Timothy 4:1 - The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will **abandon the** faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.

D. DEMONS WANT TO PARALYZE YOU WITH

2 Timothy 1:7- For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. NKJV

3. HOW DO WE BATTLE ______ THE FORCES OF DARKNESS?

A. WE DON'T TREAT OUR ENEMY

Jude 9- But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said. "The Lord rebuke vou!"

Deuteronomy 18:10 - Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, ¹¹ or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. ¹² Anyone who does these things is detestable to the Lord, and because of these **detestable practices the Lord** your God will drive out those nations before you.

C. WE DON'T FIGHT WITH OUR ______ But with god's _____

Matthew 10:1 - He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them <u>authority</u> to drive out <u>evil spirits</u> and to heal every disease and sickness.

James 4:7-8 - Submit yourselves, then, to God. <u>**Resist the devil**</u>, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Come near to God and he will come near to you.

• Jesus battled Satan with the Word of God.

Luke 4 - "IT IS WRITTEN...

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