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Ridge Spring



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of the Ridge



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December 10 Trinity

Acolyte | Beau Whitfield

Lector | Bettis Rainsford

Intercessor | Kelly Vann

Eucharistic Minister | Liz Kornaus

Greeters | Jerrold Watson, Kathie Stallworth

Altar | C Bryce, K Stallworth

Usher | Bailey Pendarvis, Ric Vann

Hospitality | NONE

Readings | Isaiah 40:1-11; 2 Peter 3:8-15a;

Mark 1:1-8; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13



**December 24 @ 10 AM Trinity
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**December 24 @ 4 PM Trinity
Christmas Eve**

**December 31 @ 10 AM
Our Saviour
First Sunday after Christmas**



Monday: 9-1
Tuesday: 9-1
Wednesday: 9-4
Thursday: By Appointment
Friday: Office Closed, Vicar's Day Off

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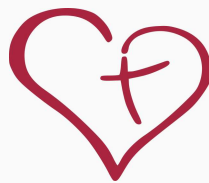
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A Word about Office Hours....

Last week, I published my Office Hours and I wanted to follow up to that. For the most part, I am going to be at the Church Office during those times. Obviously, if there is a pastoral emergency, I am dropping everything and going.

I also want to be in the community if we are in the community doing something. For example, packing food bags every third Wednesday for the Ridge Springs area. If I know ahead of time if I am going to be somewhere specific, especially if it is during office hours, I will get it in the Eblast and encourage you to join me.

Since I have just started and am learning our weekly rhythm, the Office Hours will be a work in progress, and I may change them. The plan once I am a little more settled, is to use Monday and Tuesday afternoons to visit people, although it will not be limited to that. Thursdays are by appointment simply because I have two meetings that involve travel and take most of the day – one is a Clergy Group, and the other is Deep Roots in New Ministry (all of the new clergy in the diocese are strongly encouraged to participate). The other two Thursdays I will be around and more than likely in the office part of the day.

I am working with a couple of people on the Mission Council to figure out the best and most attractive way to have a sign or something indicating when I am not here. For now, perhaps the best way to check is to call before you come unless you are already in the Edgefield area.

Blessings,
Mother Lathrop+

thank you

Dear Ones,

Thank you for the warm welcome on Sunday! It was a wonderful day, and I am so thrilled to finally be with you all. Our worship service was glorious, and I loved being able to be with all of you afterwards at the Cover Dish Lunch. I know I was not able to spend much time with too many people after the service, so I look forward to getting to know you better at Coffee Hour and other events.

Blessings,
Mother Lathrop+

The Church is searching for new Mission Council Members for 2024.
Please reach out to Andy, Sarah, or Cindy if you are interested in serving.



MISSION COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jamie Long (2023)
Jerrold Watson (2023)
Andy Whitfield (2023)
Jean Covar (2024)
Deborah Neese (2024)
Cindy Vann (2024)
Bettis Rainsford (2025)
Kathie Stallworth (2025)
Sarah Schwarz (2025)

Andy Whitfield — Senior Warden
Sarah Schwarz — Junior Warden
Scotty Scott — Treasurer
Sarah Schwarz — Assistant Treasurer

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MISSION STATEMENT

*To be a welcoming community of worship, learning and
outreach empowered by the grace of God*



Joining Our Hearts
Becoming One

The 2024 Stewardship Campaign is over.
Any outstanding pledge cards are due.
Please bring them to Church this Sunday.



Cathryn Bryce
Deacon Chris
James Courtney
Suzanne Derrick
Lillian Harrison
Linda Heos
Bob Hodges
Joe Lojewski
William McCollough
Rebekah Robeson
Brannon Rowland
Mary Lou Seymour
George Thornton
Susie Watson



Art Amos
Pauline Berry
Emma Lou Easley
John Eubanks
Carolyn Lovell
Rick Lovell

HAPPY
Birthday
FROM YOUR
CHURCH FAMILY

Smith Connor
Joannah Holmes Thelen
Phillips Boatwright
Melissa Rainsford



December 10 @ Trinity

Second Sunday of Advent

Please bring Angel Tree Gifts to Church
or

Dropoff **December 11 @ Trinity**
10AM - 12

Christmas Tour of Churches @ Edgefield
3PM

Annual Church Wine and Cheese
4PM - 8PM

Home of Beth and George Thornton

DIRECTIONS

Thornton's Midlands Reserve Farm
325 Log Creek Road

- From Edgefield, take Highway 25 North toward Greenwood, SC
- About 1.0 mile North of Edgefield, you will pass the BP Service Station on your right
- Continue approximately 1.5 miles, turn right by the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. This is Log Creek Road
- Pavement becomes dirt road
- Continue 2.4 miles to our house on the left

Your GPS will take you past the house. Ignore your GPS, you have arrived!

Beth's cell phone is: 706-988-4863
George's cell phone is: 803-480-2190

Note: Your GPS may direct you past the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church to Pleasant Lane Road. This is a longer alternative.

December 15th @ Camp Gravatt Cooking for Military

Cooking will begin at 2:00!

Cookies w/o nuts are needed!

Please deliver to

Kathie Stallworth, Mother Lathrop, or Sarah
Schwarz

Questions? Sarah at 803-480-4820



Greg and Muffy Sander will host a
Christmas Eve Supper
for all to attend!

205 Green Street

Ridge Spring, SC 29129

RSVP to Muffysander@gmail.com

Parking in circular drive and median

Church of the Ridge Christmas 2023 Angel Tree Signup!

New names /items have been added to the list!

Please consider donating if you haven't or look again!





ACTS - Area Churches Together

"To partner with churches, organizations, and individuals to provide assistance to our neighbors in need, in the name of Jesus Christ."

Many people in our area are within one paycheck or less of financial trouble.

Many need food, clothing, warmth, prescription medicine,
home furnishings,
or additional assistance.

Every Third Wednesday, Jerrold, Jack and Sarah assist
this organization in packing food bags for those in need in the Ridge Spring Area.

Over 100 families are served each month.

Episcopal Church of the Ridge gives money to this group twice a year!

Join them in this endeavor!

Aiken SPCA - Aiken SPCA, 199 Willow Road, Aiken, SC 29801. Phone: 803-648-6863



Sunday Collections - If you bring it, we will deliver it!

In an effort to simplify our Outreach Ministries, we encourage you to bring donations whenever the spirit moves you! We will sort and transport the donations to the proper agency.

*Non-perishable food items (no glass), Spices, Toiletries, Cleaning supplies, Pet Food,
Personal items for children transitioning to Foster Care*

There are always envelopes in the pews for those wishing to donate money.

For additional information, please contact Mary Lou Seymour. Thank you!

Also, **DOK** is supporting Bingo once a month in Edgefield. Simple, useful items are requested.



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