



Episcopal CHURCH of the Ridge



December 7th

10:00am Grace Church in Ridge Spring
2nd Sunday in Advent

Acolyte/ Clark Connor
Lector/ Scotty Scott
Intercessor/ Peggy Moss
Eucharistic Minister /Liz Wilson
Greeters / Sarah Schwarz
Altar/ Valerie Holmes
Usher / Jack Schwarz
Hospitality Doug Landreth

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12

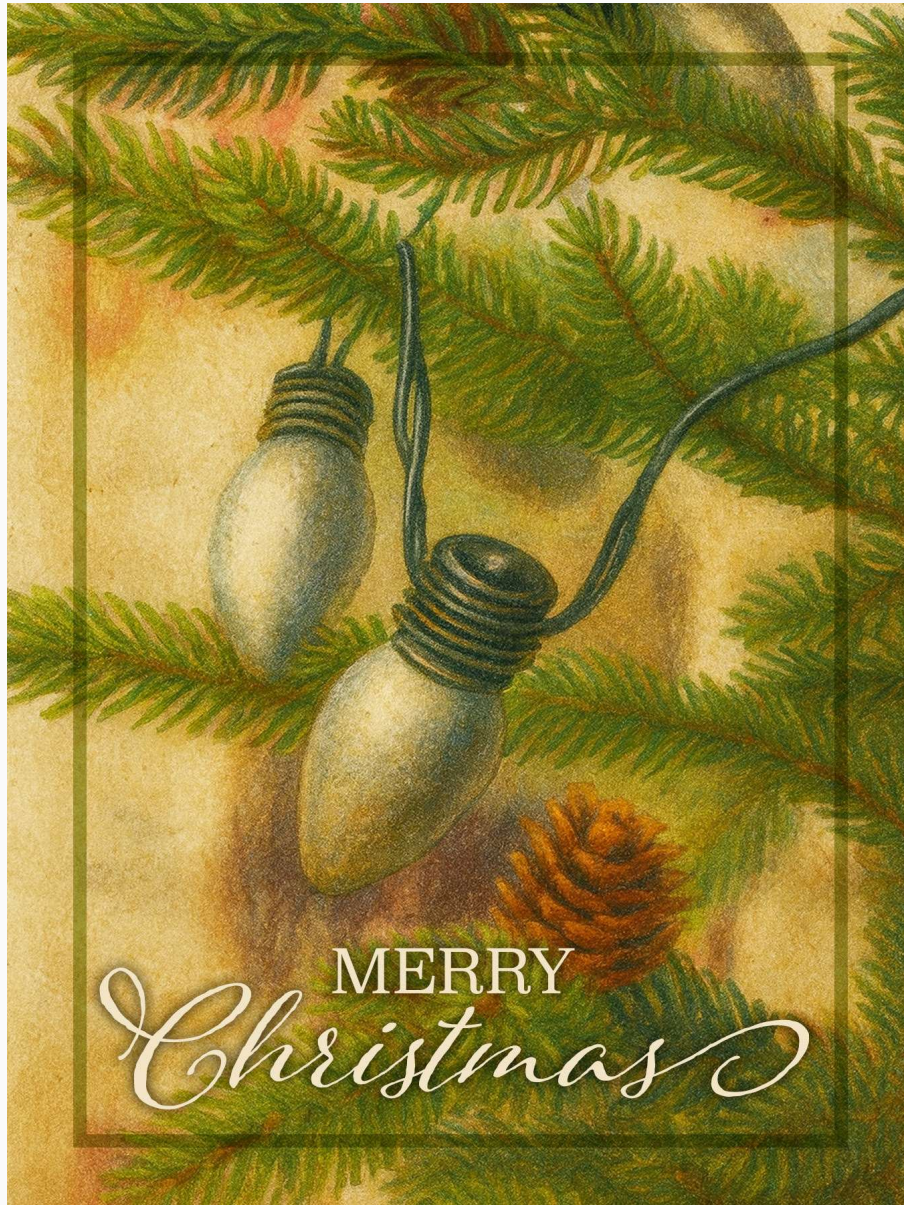
Mother Lathrop will be out of town travelling to Houston beginning on Monday the 8th of December and returning on the 11th to work.
Keep Mother Lathrop and Kim Walker in your prayers for an uneventful trip and for Kim to get better so she can come home. Kathy Stallworth will field all calls for pastoral care while Mother Lathrop is out of town.



Join the [Live Stream!](#) on Youtube! Many thanks to all who have stepped up to provide this service to our congregation and beyond!

Thank you so much for your generosity to make a child's Christmas so meaningful for them. There are a few slots left so let's keep filling up the tree. You may bring your gifts to Grace in Ridge Spring on the 7th of December or the final day to bring the gifts is on the 14th of December at Trinity Church in Edgefield.

Click the picture for the Angel Tree Signup for 2025





You are cordially invited to
the home of Bill and Annette Quinby
[204 Promised Land Rd](#)
Edgefield, SC 29824

To Celebrate the Annual Wine and cheese Party
with your church family,

Please bring a nicely plated appetizer along with a serving utensil if necessary and
your
favorite bottle of wine or beverage



Meeting Needs Beyond Food

When Mother Lathrop and Scotty Scott met with ministers in McCormick County, they learned something eye-opening. Families receiving SNAP benefits can purchase food—but **not paper products**.

That means items we take for granted—

-  Toilet paper
-  Paper towels
-  Kleenex tissues

and they become precious commodities. In fact, ministers observed participants bartering food just to get these everyday essentials. This is where we can step in. By sharing paper products, we're not just filling shelves—we're restoring dignity, easing burdens, and showing Christ's love in the most practical of ways.

The Paper drive will continue through December, so when you are shopping for your groceries pick up an extra package of paper products to donate to the truly needy residents. [We want to collect as much as we can to take a truckload down to our lower parishes in McCormick County.](#)

Again thank you so much for being an integral part of this great outreach program. Everyone will benefit from your generosity.



Cookie Call for the Military Retreat

We're baking up love and support for the Military Retreat at Gravatt on December 19th! To bless these families,

we'll need plenty of cookies to share. Please bring your cookies to Trinity Church on December 14th.
If your recipe includes nuts, kindly label them so everyone can enjoy safely.
Together, let's make this retreat a sweet celebration of care and community.



Sunday Afternoon Services

December 21 at Our Saviour, **3pm**

January 18 at Grace, **3 pm**

You're Invited: Sunday Worship & Fellowship

As winter blankets the earth in quiet beauty and the air carries the hush of the season, we welcome you to pause, breathe, and be renewed at Episcopal Church of the Ridge.

This season of light and hope is the perfect time to gather in faith, lift our voices, and find joy in community.

What You'll Experience:

- ❄️ Soulful Worship – Music that warms the heart and messages that shine with encouragement
- ☀️ True Belonging – Whether you're a familiar face or visiting for the first time, you'll be embraced with love and welcome

Come share in the peace of Sunday afternoons, where faith glows like candlelight, love deepens like winter roots, and fellowship wraps around you like a cherished quilt. We can't wait to welcome you home.

Calling for Nominations!

It is time to start thinking about nominations for Vestry and Delegate to Diocesan Convention. If you have questions about either of these positions, please ask Mother Lathrop, one of our current Vestry members, or someone who has served as a Delegate. If you would like to run or think someone else would be good for one of those positions, please email Mother Lathrop.

Vestry Requirements (1 person)

- Confirmed Communicant in Good Standing of Episcopal Church of the Ridge
- 3-year term
- Currently, Vestry meetings are held at Trinity at 6:00 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Delegate Requirements (4 Delegates and 4 alternates)

- Confirmed Communicant in Good Standing of Episcopal Church of the Ridge
- 1- year term
- Quarterly Deanery Meetings - delegates, alternates, and clergy of Midlands West - not sure when those will be
- Diocesan Convention for 2026 is November 13-14 at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia

Love,
Mother Lathrop+

~~Mark your Calendars~~

- ☐ **December 7: Edgefield Christmas Parade**
 - ☐ **December 14: Tour of Churches in Edgefield**
 - ☐ **December 14: Christmas Wine and Cheese at Bill and Annette Quinby's**
 - ☐ **December 19: Cooking for the Military Retreat at Gravatt**
 - ☐ **December 21: Afternoon Service at Our Saviour**
 - ☐ **December 24: Christmas Eve Service – 4:00 pm at Trinity**
 - ☐ **December 25: Christmas Day Service – 10:00 am at Trinity**
 - ☐ **December 24 – January 1: Office Closed – Christmas**
 - ☐ **January 18: Afternoon Service at Grace**
 - ☐ **January 19: Office Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
 - ☐ **January 25: Annual Meeting at Trinity**
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Bible in a year

Our Purpose

In response to Bishop Richards' call, we are reading the Bible as a community throughout the year. These weekly gatherings are a space to share insights, ask questions, and learn from one another.

Monday Night Zoom Meetings (7:00pm-8:00pm PM ET)

Join us here: [Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: **853 5264 6441**

Passcode: **144258**

 **Reading Plan Link**

[View the Plan](#)

 **Catch Up on Last Week's Discussion**

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 ACTS - Area Churches Together

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month, join us for a meaningful and fun morning at Ridge Spring Farmers Market!

Rev. Lathrop, Sarah, Greg, Jack, Larry and Jerrold will be there to guide you. Remember, many hands make light work.

 Bingo at the Edgefield Senior Center!

Every 3rd Thursday, join us for Bingo at the Edgefield Senior Center Starting 10:30 AM. We are looking for a little assistance. Callers need to be there about 15 minutes early to set up.

Calling for Volunteers (1, 2 or 3 times during the year)

3rd Thursday Edgefield Senior Center Bingo Callers

Contact Cindy Vann for details

706-833-3328

Hope to see you there!  



For the sick:

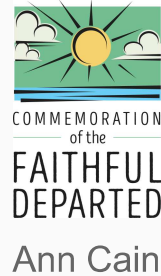
Linda Webb Alexander,



Art Amos,
Pauline Berry,
Emma Lou Easley,

Luther Beason,
Ann Byrd,
Harrison Courtney,
James Courtney,
Suzanne Derrick,
Liddy Grantland,
Brian Heike,
Bob Hodges,
Denise Jackson,
Joe Lojewski,
Tom Long,
Kalli McWatters,
Rebekah Robeson,
Brannon Rowland,
Mary Lou Seymour,
Christine Smith,
Susannah Watson,
Kim Walker,
Lydia Wherry

John Eubanks
Carolyn Lovell
Rick Lovell,
Carol Rhoads



Vestry Members

Rev Lathrop Mosley -Rector
Bettis Rainsford Jr Senior Warden - 2025
Muffy Sander Jr. Warden - 2026
Sarah Schwarz - 2025
Caleb Connor - 2026
Bailey Pendarvis - 2027
Annette Quinby - 2027
Bill Kotti -- 2027

Scotty Scott - Treasurer - 2025
Jo Ann Amos - Recording Secretary

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Regular Office Hours:

Monday: 9-1

Tuesday: 10-1

Wednesday: 9-1

Thursday: By Appointment

Friday: Office Closed

Vicar's Cell: 864-497-3205



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