

## Serve OUT in our Community

Contact [info@ridgelifelife.org](mailto:info@ridgelifelife.org) to be part of any of these opportunities.

### Alpha Prison Ministry: Iowa Correctional Institute for Women

- This ministry typically runs for 10 weeks in the fall and winter months.

### Bethel Mission: Evening Meal

- We serve a meal at Bethel Mission on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month.

### Kids Hope USA: Mentoring Program

- This program matches one adult to one student at Terrace Elementary in a weekly mentoring relationship. Prayer partners needed.

### Special Needs Ministries

- **FUSE** is for ages 14+. Throughout the year, FUSE offers special events and activities that encourage friendship, unity, service and education. These events include service activities, social gatherings and movie nights. Run by a small committee of parents, volunteers and local providers.
- **SPARK** (Special Program Assisting Ridge Kids) matches Sunday Morning buddies for Ridge Kids with diagnosed special needs.
- **Night to Shine** Sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation Hosted by The Ridge – February 9<sup>th</sup>. Night to Shine is an unforgettable prom night experience, centered on God's love, for people with special needs ages 14 and older. On one night churches from around the world will host Night to Shine for thousands of honored guests! Volunteer online.

### Single Moms' Morning Out – Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>

- Single Moms' Morning Out is designed to honor the single moms in our church and community with a free morning of relaxation, refueling, and refreshment. Volunteer opportunities opening in the spring.

## Save the date for Summer 2018...

- Mission Trips – Summer 2018
- Love Lunches – June - August 2018

## Kids & Youth

### RidgeKids

- On Sunday mornings, kids from 4 months through 5th Grade experience safe, age-appropriate environments while they learn more about God and the Bible through worship, teaching, activities and prayer.
- Team RidgeKids meets during the Sunday night service.

### JUMP (Jesus Use Me Please)

- See details under Tuesday night page.

### Wednesday Story Time

- Bring the little ones for story time, free play, and crafts. 9:00-11:00am

### Preschool @ The Ridge

- Preschool at The Ridge equips children for future academic success while teaching them Christian values that help develop social skills, emotional health, and cognitive thinking. Classes for 3, 4, & 5 year olds.

### Junkyard Youth Group

- We divide our youth group into three segments based on school grades – Junkyard 67, Junkyard 89, and Junkyard. All groups meet Wednesdays.

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# Next Steps at The Ridge Winter 2018



GROW UP. CONNECT IN.

SERVE OUT.



# Sunday Night at The Ridge

## Sunday Night Worship Service

This third worship service takes place from 6:00 – 7:00 pm each Sunday night. The teaching will be the same as Sunday morning (via video; live teaching once a month) with a more intimate feel.

## Team RidgeKids

After supper, bring your child (4 months – 4 years old) to the RidgeKids nursery area. PreK – 5<sup>th</sup> Graders attend worship and then are dismissed to their class.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month

Join us for a meal (5:15-5:50) and worship or a puppet show on the fourth Sunday of the month. Meal cost is \$5 per person (ages 5 and under are free) or \$20 per family. (No meal or puppet show in May.)

## Support Groups (groups start at 6:30 pm unless indicated; childcare provided)

check website calendar for any group meeting changes; groups don't meet on holidays

- **Infertility Support Group (women)**  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month
- **Cancer Care Support Group**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month
- **Hopekeepers Chronic Pain & Illness (4:00 pm)**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month
- **Adoptive & Foster Parent Support Group**  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month
- **GriefShare** weekly beginning February 11
- **DivorceCare (6:00 pm)** weekly beginning February 11

# Tuesday Evenings

Ridge Family Night...something for everyone

RidgeU and JUMP are now on the same evening. Bring the family for supper and stay for the evening – there are programs for the kids and you can serve at JUMP or attend a class. Childcare is available for 4 months – 5 years old.

**Meal** Join us for a meal (5:15-6:00) each week JUMP is in session. Cost is \$5 per person (ages 5 and under are free) or \$20 per family.

## Adult Groups & Classes

- **Purposeful Prayer** Leader: Amy Thorson. Prayer is our unique opportunity to communicate with God, join us as we spend time learning about prayer.
- **6 Secrets to a Lasting Love Marriage Class** facilitated by Shaun & Deb Murray; January 23 – March 6.

## RidgeKids JUMP (Jesus Use Me Please)

6:15-7:15pm; January 16 – March 6

A fun and purposeful ministry that focuses on teaching kids to serve. We believe that kids are disciples in training. God has called each of us to serve others, and we provide kids ages K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade with an opportunity to make a difference. Register your kids online now!

# Classes, Studies & Groups

Grow in your relationship with God & Others

- **Ridge Partnership** – Sunday Mornings during 1<sup>st</sup> service; April 8 – April 28
- **Work as Worship** facilitated by Jamie Peterson; January 18 – February 22; 6:30pm
- **Financial Peace University** (Dates TBD)  
Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more!
- Join or start a **Small Group** to create smaller environments to connect relationally and grow spiritually together. New groups are starting all the time. Contact info@ridglife.org to learn more.
- **Young Adults Thursday Evenings; 6:30-8:30 pm.** Exploring faith and community among 18-30 year old people. Whether you just started college, recently graduated, in the work-field or find yourself somewhere in the middle, you are invited.

## Gathered - Women's Winter Kick-Off Event

Tuesday January 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:00pm; Worship Center; childcare available, RSVP online by January 3<sup>rd</sup>. An evening gathered, with one accord and the breaking of bread.

- **Ladies' Night Out:** February 17<sup>th</sup>; 6:30-9:30; Cost \$5; No childcare. Register online.
- **Women's Night of Prayer & Worship:** April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm
- **Women-to-Women Mentoring:** Kicking off in February. Watch for more details.
- **Bible Study / Classes**  
Leader: Nancy Young; Monday 10:00am-12:00pm  
Leader: Pam Osborn; Topic: Healthy Living; Monday 6:30 pm  
Leader: Kris Schlemmer; Study: Daniel by Beth Moore; Monday 6:30-8:30 pm  
Leader: Mary Kohlsdorf; Wednesday 6:00-7:00am  
Leader: Gloria Phifer;. Wednesday 10:00am  
Leader: Helene Bergren; Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm; starting January 11<sup>th</sup>
- **Oasis Women's Group** Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:30; January 24<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>; Book cost \$7; childcare available (\$30/child).
- **Ridge Women's Circle** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 11:00am; Conference Room

## Men's Fall Kick-Off Breakfast

Friday January 19<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:00am; The Square

Join us for breakfast, a teaching and learn more about Men's Ministry at The Ridge!

- **The Herd: Men's Breakfast** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month through May; 7:00-8:30am
- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** Wednesday 6:00am or 9:00am
- **Men's Groups** Bringing Together Men Of All Ages To Grow In Relationship With Jesus Christ; Encouraging Each Other To Be Servant Leaders In Our Families, Church and Communities.  
Wednesday 7:00 pm – North Panera Bread  
Thursday 7:00 pm – Prairie Trail HyVee  
Friday 5:30 am – Prairie Trail HyVee  
Friday 6:00 am – Prairie Trail HyVee, Chick-fil-A, Ames  
Friday 7:00 am – Prairie Trail HyVee



## Not sure what your best Next Step is? Here are some great options...

- 1) Join us at a Next Steps Coffee Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup> and January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am in the Conference Room.
- 2) Women – Attend the Women's Winter Kick-Off Event January 9<sup>th</sup>
- 3) Men – Attend the Men's Breakfast Friday January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 am