



April 21, 2016

# PLEASANT RIDGE *Baptist Church*

LOVING GOD  
SHARING LIFE  
SERVING OTHERS

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## Ministerial Staff

Senior Pastor: Josh Cook  
Music Minister: Jonathan Riddle  
Children's Minister: Nancy Glover  
Education Minister: Ray Glover  
Student Minister: Wes May

## Sunday Schedule:

April 24

### Sunday

Prayer Walk	8:45 pm
Sunday School	9:00 am
Morning Worship	10:30 am
Puppets	5:15 pm
Bible Drill/Kids choir	5:50 pm
Business Meeting	6:00 pm
Youth Small Groups	6:00 pm

## FELLOWSHIP DINNER

April 27

Chicken Pot Pie  
Green Beans  
Salad Bar  
Kids Menu  
Popcorn Chicken

Adults \$5 Kids \$2

Call by Monday, April 25 for

Cancellations

If you have a permanent reservation, you must call to cancel or you will still have to pay.

### Attendance

Sunday School:	225
Morning Worship:	278
Evening Worship	157
Wednesday Night:	155

### Tithes/Offerings April 17:

\$9,368

Total in 2016: \$250,501

RFT: \$34,355

Live Stream Views: 28

## Nursery

### Childcare (4/24)

Doris Fancher  
Sheila Gilliland  
Natasha May  
Genie Parks  
Linda Sexton  
Dave Stringfellow

### Kids in Him (April)

Carin Hill  
Lori McGriff

### Jesus and Me (April)

Faith Abney  
Cindy Ritchie

## Scholarships Available

Clarissa Smith Wintter, High School  
Judson Jones, Ministry  
Marietta Phillips, Nursing  
Susie Dell Wildes, Missions  
Applications MUST be in by April 30

### April is the month

to give to  
Pure Water,  
Pure Love.

Current: \$247

## Yard Sale

April 22-23, 2016  
7:00 am at CFLC  
Money will go towards  
mission trip to Peru

### Compassion Sunday

April 24

Morning Worship Service

Business Meeting

April 24

Evening Worship Service

### Good News

Cruise

presented by the  
Children's Choir

May 15

at 6:00 pm

### Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 3

Guests: The Kempters Musical Family

Sign up in Church Office by April 29.

### The Master's Craftsmen Breakfast

Work Day

Saturday, May 7 at 8:00 am

Guest Speaker: John Odom

### Baby Dedication

Sunday, May 8, 2016

If you have a new baby or toddler you would like to have dedicated, please call the church office (491-3771) by Friday, April 29. Please bring the pictures to the office by May 4 so we can get them scanned into the computer.

## A Note from the Pastor...

A couple weeks ago I told you that I was an introvert, and several of you identified with me. To continue that spirit of openness, I would like to share something else with you today. I am an introvert, and I am also an optimist. I always see potential in people and organizations. I believe this is why I have such a love for the established church and church revitalization. A healthy dose of optimism would do many congregations well, but there is something else that we need—hope.

Rabbi Jonathon Sacks said, "Optimism is the belief that things will get better. Hope is the faith that, together, we can make this better. Optimism is a passive virtue, hope is an active one. It takes no courage to be an optimist, but takes a great deal of courage to have hope." We have good reason to be optimistic about our future because we have seen God doing great things already. This should motivate us to have hope—active hope.

Active hope is a hope that boldly pursues God's purposes. Active hope is a hope that will contagiously spread throughout our church and our community. This week I would like to challenge you to actively hope in God, even if you are a pessimist (you can gripe about it while you do it if you need to). We cannot sit and wait for God to move. We must run into the fields and begin the work He called us to do if we want to experience His blessings.

I hope you have a great week. I look forward to seeing you back in church this Sunday. Bring someone with you. God is doing great things at PRBC, let's not keep it to ourselves.

*Dr. Josh Cook*

## VOLUNTEER

### Security Patrol Sunday (4/24)

Roger Edwards  
Billy Hill  
Terry Koss

### Deacon Hospital Visits

Robert Gilliland (Friday 4/22)  
Jimmy Abney (Saturday 4/23)  
Billy Hill (Sunday 4/24)

### Relay for Life May 6, 2016

If you would like to be on our Ridge Runner team or if you want to form a team, see Nancy Glover or Betsy Simpson.



## Special Recognitions

**Budget:** In honor of Cheryl Abney on her birthday by James & Carol Cash.

**Music:** In memory of Susan Shirley by Larry & Janice Vines.

**Peru Mission Trip:** In honor of Larry Hagood by Scotty Morris.

**Thank You note from:** Chris & Jennifer Vest.