

# ANNOUNCEMENTS | MARCH 24, 2024

#### PALM SUNDAY SCHEDULE – March 24, 2024

- 9:00 AM Coffee & Open Forum
- 10 AM Sunday Worship
- 10:45 AM Ice Cream & Bounce House/Slides

### GOOD FRIDAY SCHEDULE – March 29, 2024

• 7:00 PM – Good Friday Worship, Service of Darkness

### EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE – March 31, 2024

- 8:00 AM Easter Song Worship
- 8:40 AM Easter Brunch
- 10 AM Easter Festival Worship

**PRESCHOOL SINGING** Children enrolled in Southridge Early Learning Center will be participating in worship this weekend. As a result, we will likely have members of their families attending worship with us. Please welcome our guests, introduce yourselves, let them know that we're glad they're here. You know what our ministries, our congregation, and our God have to offer; let them know it as well!

**"MIX-IT-UP" MARCH** Every year, around March, we try to shake things up a little to allow us to grow together as a congregation by changing some of our comfortable habits. Here's what we're asking you to do in March this year:

- Sit in a different seat/location during worship each Sunday.
- During worship, when prompted, take 5 minutes to greet the people sitting near you.
- Sit at a table that has people outside of your family unit at it during the time for food &

fellowship after worship each Sunday. (This might mean that your family unit must split up.) One more new thing that we'll plan to do over the next several weeks is an after-worship activity during the time for food & fellowship. The schedule of activities is as follows:

- March 24 Ice Cream Social
- March 31 Easter Breakfast

**EASTER EGG HUNT** On Saturday, March 23, 12-2p, an Easter egg hunt for the community will be hosted by Southridge Church. If you'd like to attend or know someone who might, please direct them to our Facebook page or website (<u>southridge-church.com/easter-egg-hunt-registration/</u>) where they can register and be included in a drawing for some door prizes.

If you're able to volunteer on that day or have questions about it, please speak with Rebecca Wilkens or email <u>serving@southridge-church.com</u>. If you'd like to bring a donation of candy, please bring those to the ministry center any time before March 19. Thank you!

**YOUTH CAMP UPDATE** It's a few months before camp begins, but there are a few changes with camp this year so hopefully some info being shared now allows you to make plans to attend this Fall. Camp will take place August 4-9. The camp is for children, ages 9-16. Those age 17 and older are invited to help as counselors and staff (parents serving as staff can bring along their younger children as junior campers). Camp will take place at <u>Dworshak State Park in Lenore, ID</u>. This is a change and a further distance than in recent years, but we hope to be able to assist with travel efforts. Please contact Pastor Tim with interest or questions.

**COFFEE & OPEN FORUM** For the next several months (Feb through May), at 9a every 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, we will hold an hour of coffee and open forum. Those who attend are welcome to discuss Bible questions, church business, life in the Tri-Cities, or really anything else.

**SMALL GROUPS AT SOUTHRIDGE CHURCH** We have just begun a 3-month small-group ministry. The idea of small-group ministry is to create opportunities for small groups of people connected to our congregation to get together during the week, outside of Sunday worship, and deepen their relationships with God and each other. This will happen twice a month at host homes/locations through conversation, Bible study and refreshments. Below, we'll share the hosts, locations, and schedules of each small group so that you can see where and when each will meet. **Even though we've begun, it's not too late to join.** As you find a group that works for you, please sign up on the appropriate sheet which are available in the entryway of church.

### SMALL GROUP 1 – <mark>3 SPOTS REMAIN</mark>

Host: Chris & Alison Breitkreitz – Near the Country Mercantile in Richland, off Dallas Road Exit Schedule: Every other Wednesday evening (7p-8:30p), meeting 2/28, 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5/8 Attendees: Max attendance is 15, children are welcome

### SMALL GROUP 2 - FULL

Host: Vaughn & Miriam Vogel – In Richland, near the corner of Steptoe and Columbia Park Trail Schedule: Every other Thursday afternoon (2p-3:30p), meeting 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16 Attendees: Max attendance is 11, adults only

## SMALL GROUP 3 – <mark>6 SPOTS REMAIN</mark>

Host: Southridge Church – In the Gathering Center of Southridge Church Schedule: Every other Sunday (4:30p-6p), meeting 2/25, 3/10, 3/24, 4/7, 4/21, 5/5 Attendees: Max attendance is 20, children are welcome

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS		
Position	March 24	March 31
Greeter/Usher	John P & Larry E	John P & Larry E
Food Host	Southridge Church (Ice Cream)	Southridge Church (Easter Brunch)
Altar/Communion Prep	n/a	n/a
Audio/Video	Zack Penland & Peyton Edinger	Zack Penland & Peyton Edinger
Children's Ministry	Jessica Farias	Michelle Jacobs

