



Mark 9:42-50

**Cypress Ridge PCA**

November 20, 2022

**Join our 10:30 am Worship Service  
at CRPC or Livestream!**

*[cypressridge-pca.org](http://cypressridge-pca.org)*

## WELCOME

We are glad you chose to worship with us today. It is our hope that today's service will be a fresh encounter with God's love and grace. This bulletin will guide you as we worship together.

## OUR PURPOSE

Cypress Ridge PCA exists to **Glorify God** *through*: **Exalting** God's Glory, **Equipping** God's People, and **Extending** God's Kingdom.

CRPC is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America: [pcanet.org](http://pcanet.org)

## VISITOR/PRAYER REQUEST CARD

Visitors: We would like to get to know you! Please fill out the Visitor Card and put it in the offering box. We also encourage you to look at our website for further information: [www.cypressridge-pca.org](http://www.cypressridge-pca.org).

Prayer Requests: Please record your prayer request on the Visitor Card and put it in the offering box.

## CHILDREN

We offer numerous options for children during worship:

- Children are welcome to remain in the Sanctuary for the entire service. (Approximately one hour and 15 minutes.)
- There is a nursery and pre-school room. The nursery is for infants through 1 year olds. The pre-school room is for 2-3 year olds.
- Children's Prayer: Children of all ages will be invited to come forward for prayer during our worship service. After the prayer, children may return to their seats or go to Children's Worship.
- Children's Worship is offered for those from age 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Children return to the Sanctuary before Communion.
- There is a cry room at the back of the Sanctuary where parents can take their child(ren) during the service.

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**Scripture:** Scripture in the service is from the ESV translation, unless otherwise noted.

## THE LORD GATHERS THE NATIONS

*We believe that the Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – calls the world to worship Him. As a Christian community, we gather together on the first day of each week to worship Him as we are led by the Spirit. As we worship, we bring our praise and our concerns, our joys and our sorrows, our hopes and our troubles.*

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### **Prelude**

*\*Please silence your electronic devices*

### **Announcements**

### **Reflection on Worship**

*When we understand the magnitude of our sins,  
we begin to see how good the Gospel really is.*

### **Prayer of Invocation**

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 99:1-3, 5

**Leader:** The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

**Response:** The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

**Leader:** Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

**Response:** Exalt the Lord our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

## **Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

*Words by Christian H. Bateman. Arr. David B. Hampton. ©1998 Community Worship  
Music. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

Come, Christians, join to sing; Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice; before His throne rejoice  
Praise is His gracious choice, Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore; His goodness we'll adore  
Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!

## **Holy, Holy, Holy**

*Authors: John Bacchus Dykes & Reginald Heber. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

Holy, Holy, Holy; Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, Holy, Holy; merciful and mighty  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, Holy, Holy; though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man, Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, Holy, Holy; Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth and sky and sea  
Holy, Holy, Holy; Merciful and mighty  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

## **This is My Father's World**

*Words: Maltbie D. Babcock. Music: Arranged by Franklin Sheppard.  
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This is my Father's world; and to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres  
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise  
The morning light, the lily white; declare their Maker's praise  
This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass; He speaks to me everywhere

This is my Father's world; O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong; God is the ruler yet  
This is my Father's world; the battle is not done  
Jesus Who died shall be satisfied; and earth and Heav'n be one

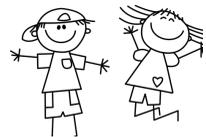
### **Monthly Memory Verse**

Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

### **Prayer for Children**

[Children's Worship is available for children 4 years to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade]



# THE LORD REVEALS HIMSELF TO THE WORLD

*God calls the nations to follow him primarily through the reading and exposition of His inspired, infallible, and inerrant word as contained in the Old and New Testaments.*

*We believe that the Scriptures teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man.*

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**Sermon**

Pastor Rodney Barton

*Living in Tension*

*Mark 9:42-50 (ESV)*

Pew Bible p. 845, Large Print Bible p. 1055

*Since Jesus died for our sins, we live for Him by:*

*I. Protecting*

*II. Purging*

*III. Persevering*

## **Questions to Consider**

1. What do the exaggerated metaphors from the Scripture passage teach us about the seriousness of our sin?
2. Give an example of how sin can cause another to stumble.
3. How do trials reform our faith? Example?

## **This is Amazing Grace**

*Music by Phil Wickham. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

*This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love  
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross  
You laid down your life, that I would be set free  
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me*

Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

*Chorus*

## THE LORD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO PRAY

*Throughout Scripture, God's people are called to pray through adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication. As we come to the Lord in prayer, we are placing our dependence and trust in the One who forgives, who cares, and who strengthens.*

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### Congregational Prayer

Psalm 32:1

**Leader:** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Prayer:**

Almighty God, we confess that we do not live holy lives. We sin in thought, word, and deed every day. Help us to see the ways our sin causes others to stumble and forgive us when it does lead them to sin. May we deal with our sin quickly as we trust in Your promises. Cleanse our hearts, Lord, and lead us in the way of Your truth. May our lives be a living sacrifice to You for Your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*[Silent Confession]*

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***Mission of the Month:*** Geneva Relief Fund.

***Battling Cancer:*** Susie Fuday

***Health Issues:*** Steve Dortman, Marilyn Smith, Rick & Rosie DeCoito, Pat Moss, Brenda Donnell

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### Ministry Moment

Women's Christmas Celebration  
*Sandy Luchenbill*

## THE LORD PROVIDES OUR DAILY BREAD

*Worship includes returning to God and His work a portion of our material possessions as tithes and offerings. We ask Him to use the generosity of His people to continue and to advance the work of His church.*

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### Offertory Scripture

Leviticus 27:30

**Leader:** Every tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord.

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### Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer

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Jesus draw me ever nearer; as I labor through the storm  
You have called me to this passage; and I'll follow though I'm worn

*May this journey bring a blessing; may I rise on wings of faith  
And at the end of my heart's testing; with Your likeness let me wake*

Jesus guide me through the tempest; keep my spirit staid and sure  
When the midnight meets the morning; let me love You even more

*Chorus*

May the treasures of the trial; form within me as I go  
And at the end of this long passage; let me leave them at Your throne

*Chorus*

## THE LORD COMMUNES WITH HIS PEOPLE

*The climax of our worship is sitting at the Table with the Lord. We come to the Table full of thankfulness and joy because of His grace. As the perfect Lamb of God, Jesus' sacrifice reconciled us to the Father so that we are in a right relationship with him.*

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### **Distribution of the Bread and Cup**

*Bread: Gluten free bread is located in the cups within the basket.*

*Cup: The outer ring is wine; the inner rings are juice.*

#### ***What is Communion?***

Communion is also known as the Lord's Supper. The bread represents the broken body of Christ, and the cup represents the blood Jesus poured out as the Sacrificial Lamb (see 1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

When we celebrate this feast, we commune with the risen Lord Jesus who stands as our host to offer spiritual nourishment, renewal and life. We also participate together in the reconciling grace of God.

#### ***Who can take Communion?***

We warmly welcome to the table all who have publicly professed their faith in Jesus – trusting in His once-for-all sacrificial death upon the cross.

At Cypress Ridge, we ask children to wait to take communion until they have met with the elders to share their faith in Jesus.

If you have not yet professed faith in Jesus, we encourage you to spend this time reflecting on the prayers below.

#### ***Prayer for those searching for the truth***

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, truth and life. If what You claim is true, please guide me and teach me. Give me an understanding of who You are, and open up my heart so that I may have faith in You. Amen.

#### ***Prayer of faith***

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross. Knowing that You have also been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as my Savior. Amen.

## THE LORD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

*God does not save us simply from something. He saves us to something ... to be His messengers of redemption to a lost and fallen world. He sends us out redeemed, loved, and with a purpose. We are called to bear witness to what He is doing in our lives where we live, work, and play. Praise be to God!*

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### **Benediction**

Romans 15:5-6

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Unison Response:**

Christ has died!  
Christ has risen!  
Christ will come again!!!

### **Choral Response**

*Tri-fold Amen*

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# CRPC FAMILY EVENTS

## TODAY ...

- **Sunday School:** At 9:15 am. Classes for all ages!
- **Kidz Christmas Choir Practice:** At 9:15 am.
- **Worship Service at CRPC & Livestream:** At 10:30 am.
  - Each service is recorded and will be available to watch following the service on YouTube.
- **Connect Group:** Contact a leader to learn more about their upcoming meetings!
  - **Bob Wood (419-959-4056):** *Senior Saints* is meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup>, at 12:15 pm, in Room 112, at the church.  
**David Reyes (863-206-8278)**
  - **Leopold Jean-Bart (863-521-3136):** Meeting on November 27<sup>th</sup>, at 5:45 pm, at Sheryl Bacheldor's home.
  - **Rodney Barton (407-375-2756)**
  - **Tom Luchenbill (863-632-3241):** Meeting on December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 5 pm, at the Luchenbill home.

## THIS WEEK ...

- **Tuesday-Friday:** The office will be closed during the holiday week.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men's Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.

## BIBLE READING THIS WEEK ...

*As you read, ask these questions:*

*1) What does this teach me about God?*

*2) What does this teach me about how I should live?*

	<u>Bible Reading</u>	<u>Cross References</u>
<b>Monday</b>	Romans 12:11-2	Ephesians 4:1-7; 1 Peter 1:13-16
<b>Tuesday</b>	Romans 12:3-8	1 Corinthians 12:12-20; 1 Peter 4:10-11
<b>Wednesday</b>	Romans 12:9-10	1 Timothy 1:3-7; Psalm 101:1-4; Philippians 2:1-11
<b>Thursday</b>	Romans 12:11-13	2 Corinthians 9:1-15
<b>Friday</b>	Romans 12:14-21	Matthew 5:38-48; Deut. 32:34-38; Prov. 25:21-22

## ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Faith Xtreme Christmas Project:** Sean Fielder will be visiting CRPC next Sunday, during the worship service, to raise funds for our annual Christmas Project.
  - *Sign up to serve at the Welcome Center:*
    - Financially (Write checks to Faith Xtreme)
    - Make Calls (Spanish speakers needed, see Anna)
    - Wrap gifts (December 20<sup>th</sup>, 10 am, at church)
    - Deliver gifts (December 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>)
- **Women's Christmas Celebration:** Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm (7<sup>th</sup> grade – Adults). Sign up at the table in the back of the sanctuary!
- **Boathouse Christmas Party:** Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. More details to come. For students 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **Kidz Christmas Party:** December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Join us for a night of decorating cookies, story time, and fun family games! For children (infants – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) and their families.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.
- **Brookdale Christmas Caroling:** Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Meet in the foyer at 9:15 am to walk over OR meet us at Brookdale by 9:30 am.

FYI ...

Pastors Tom & Rodney, along with Sandy & Jennifer, would like to express their sincere thanks for all your kind words, cards, & gifts you gave for Pastor Appreciation. It was a great encouragement to us all!

- **God's Provision Through October 2022:**

October General Fund Giving:	\$29,167
YTD October GF Giving:	\$277,401
YTD October Exp. Paid:	\$333,625
YTD Budget:	\$323,334
YTD Mercy Fund:	\$8,113
- **Sunday School:** There will be no Sunday School next week. Classes will resume on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am.
- **Resource Table:** We provide free copies of *Our Daily Bread* (large print and regular print) and *Tabletalk* at our Resource Table located at the back of the sanctuary.
- **Visitor/Prayer Request Card:** If you are a visitor, please fill out the card, under the seat in front of you, and place it in the offering box. Any prayer or visitation request may also be put on this card.
- **Post-Service Prayer:** If you would like prayer after the service, there will be leaders at the front of the sanctuary, by the piano, available to meet and pray with you.

## THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE ...

### **SERVING IN NOVEMBER 2022**

*Deacon of the Month:* David Holdener

*Usher:* Phillip Baier

*Communion Preparation:* Allen & Monica Franklin

*Nursery Volunteers:*

11/20 - Briana Campos & Kay Smith

11/27 - Brenda Knappenberger & Lori Brousseau

*Children's Worship*

11/20 - Philip & Jeanie Baier

11/27 - Ginger Andersen & Renae Anderson

### **THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

11/20 - Caleb Barton

11/20 - Jackie Wheeler

11/21 - Tami Kendall

11/22 - Shirley Burkett

11/24 - Michael & Amy Smith



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