



## **Cypress Ridge PCA**

August 6, 2023

**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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# 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**

*Corporate worship is designed to move the meditation of your heart from self-centered complaint to God-glorifying praise.*

*– Paul David Tripp*

## **Prayer of Invocation**

## **Call to Worship**

from Psalm 121, 122, & 124

**Leader:** I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

**Response:** I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

**Leader:** The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

**Response:** Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

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

*Words by Christian H. Bateman. Arr. David B. Hampton. ©1998 Community Worship  
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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!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend  
His love shall never end, Alleluia! Amen!

## **Arise, My Soul, Arise**

*Words by Charles Wesley and music by Kevin Twitt © 1996 Kevin Twitt Music.  
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Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears  
The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears  
Before the throne my Surety stands; before the throne my Surety stands  
My name is written on His hands

*(Men) Arise, (Women) Arise  
(Men) Arise, (Women) Arise, (Men) Arise  
(Unison) Arise, my soul, arise (2x)  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

He ever lives above, for me to intercede  
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead  
His blood atoned for every race; His blood atoned for every race  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace

### *Chorus*

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear  
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh; with confidence I now draw nigh  
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry

### *Chorus*

## **Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me**

*Jonny Robinson, M. Farren & R. Thompson © 2018 CityAlight Music, Farren Love & War Pub. & Integrity's Alleluia! Music Capitol CMG. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give

He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom

My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; for my life is wholly bound to his

Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken; for by my side, the Saviour he will stay

I labour on in weakness and rejoicing; for in my need, his power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me

Through the deepest valley he will lead

Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus

For he has said that he will bring me home

And day by day I know he will renew me; until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; all the glory evermore to him

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat

Yet not I, but through Christ in me; yet not I, but through Christ in me

## **Monthly Memory Verse**

Psalm 23:4-6

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

## **Prayer for Children**

[Children's Worship available for children 4 yrs. – 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 Tom Luchenbill

Psalm 23:4

Pew Bible p. 458

Large Print Bible p. 573

*Confidence in the LORD*

1. *The LORD's Presence*

2. *The LORD's Protection*

## Questions to Consider

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1. When/how have you especially experienced the Lord's presence?
2. How do you feel about asking the Lord to examine your heart? Why?
3. Discuss 1 Corinthians 10:13 – esp. how it should protect us from falling into sin.

## **Christ Our Hope In Life And Death**

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What is our hope in life and death; Christ alone, Christ alone  
What is our only confidence; that our souls, to him belong  
Who holds our days within his hand  
What comes apart from his command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ, in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal  
O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul; God is good, God is good  
Where is his grace and goodness known; in our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise  
Who stands above the stormy trial  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ

### *Chorus*

Unto the grave, what will we sing; "Christ, he lives! Christ, he lives!"  
And what reward will heaven bring; everlasting life with him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be destroyed  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forever more

### *Chorus x 2*

*Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death*

## 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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### Confession of Sin

Proverbs 28:13

**Leader:** Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

**Prayer:** Almighty God, we praise You for Your never-ending presence in our lives. Too often we travel through valleys of temptation, hurt and pain, forgetting about Your love. We tend to trust our feelings over our faith and despair when we cannot feel You near. We confess our sins to You in amazement of Jesus' sacrifice and Your grace. May the Holy Spirit continue to lead us in Your truth. In Jesus' name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

### Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 36:25-27

**Leader:** I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

### Ministry Moment

Prayer for Workers in the Education System



## 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

Proverbs 3:9

**Leader:** Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce.

### Congregational Prayer

**Missionaries of the Month:** Esaie & Natacha Etienne, MTW

**Battling Cancer:** Shawn Holdener & Susie Fuday

**Health Issues:** Dennis Knappenberger, Bob Luchenbill, Jeanie Baier, Tom Cammidge, Rick & Rosie DeCoito, Pat Moss, Brenda Donnell

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### Jesus Paid it All

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I hear the Savior say, thy strength indeed is small  
Child of weakness, watch and pray; find in Me thine all in all

*Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe  
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow*

Lord, now indeed I find; Thy pow'r, and Thine alone  
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone

*Chorus*

For nothing good have I, whereby Thy grace to claim  
I'll wash my garments white, in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb

*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**

Numbers 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face to  
shine upon you and be gracious to you; and may the Lord lift up His  
countenance upon you and give you peace.

### **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 ...

- **Worship Service at CRPC & Livestream:** At 10:30 am.
  - Each service is recorded and will be available to watch following the service on YouTube.
- **“Rising 4<sup>th</sup>+ Lunch”:** Meeting in Room 112, following the worship service.

## THIS WEEK ...

- **Tuesday Morning:** Women’s Ministry Team meeting at 10 am.
- **Wednesday Afternoon:** Session meeting at 4 pm.
- **Thursday Evening:** Boathouse (7-12<sup>th</sup> grade) at 6:30 pm.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men’s Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men’s Breakfast at 9 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?*

**Monday:** Luke 3:1-6; Isaiah 40:3-5; Is. 42:16; Is. 45:2 Is. 49:11; Is. 52:10; Is. 57:14

**Tuesday:** Luke 3:7-9; John 8:39-47; Ephesians 5:1-11

**Wednesday:** Luke 3:10-14; Isaiah 58:6-8; Ephesians 4:25-28; James 2:14-17

**Thursday:** Luke 3:15-22; John 1:6-18

**Friday:** Luke 3:23-38; Matthew 1:1-16

## ON THE HORIZON ...

- **“L.O.L.” Ladies Off to Lunch:** Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 12 pm. Meeting at Golden Corral (private room). R.S.V.P. with Melissia Pletcher by Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, at 863-207-1881.
- **Congregational Potluck:** We will be having a church potluck Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, following the worship service, to say our final farewell to Pastor Tom & Sandy. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share (meat, casserole, salad, or side). Drinks and cake are provided.
- **Fall Kickoff Events:**
  - **Kidz Night Out:** Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30 pm.
  - **Sunday School:** Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Classes begin at 9:15 am for all ages, infants – adults. We will be celebrating with an ice cream truck after the worship service!
  - **Girls’ Discipleship Group (7-12<sup>th</sup> grade):** Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:15 pm. Held at Matt & Anna Smith’s home.

FYI ...

- **God's Provision Through July 2023:**

July General Fund Giving:	\$36,447
YTD July GF Giving:	\$247,002
YTD July Exp. Paid:	\$211,993
YTD Budget:	\$205,333
YTD Mercy Fund:	\$4,967
- **Church Shirts for Purchase:** Wearing a church shirt is a great way to introduce your church to the community! We will be taking orders for Men and Women's Sport-Wick Polos and Children's T-Shirts *through Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>*.
  - Place an order through Anna Smith. Cash or Checks are acceptable – now or when the shirts are ready.
  - Color options: Forest Green, Blue Lake, or Maroon
  - Costs below:
    - \$20/Adult Polo (S-XL)
    - \$25/Adult Polo (2XL-6XL)
    - \$10 Children's T-Shirt (S-L)
- **Thank you:** A huge thank you to the church for the teacher supplies! They will be going home with 11 educators this year!
- **Snack Time:** If you would like to bring snacks, you can sign up at the coffee bar!
- **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 and the Welcome Center.
- **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 AUGUST 2023

*Usher of the Month:* Terry Schmucker

*Ushers:* Matt Sanders & José Del Valle (all but 8/27)

*Communion Preparation:* Sheryl Bachelder

*Nursery Volunteers:*

8/6 - Kay Smith & Katelynn Wedeman

8/13 - David Holdener & Jessica Sanders

8/20 - Katelynn Wedeman & Abigail Barton

8/27 - Lois Adair & Briana Campos

*Children's Worship Volunteers:*

8/6 - Sheryl Bachelder & Melissia Pletcher

8/13 - Anna Smith & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

8/20 - Jennifer Barton & Mizza Del Valle

8/27 - Ginger Andersen & Terri Jefferies

*Snacks:*

8/6 - Sandy Luchenbill

8/13 - Linda Engstrom

8/20 - *CHURCH POTLUCK*

8/27 - TBD

### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

8/7 - Bob & Barb Luchenbill

8/7 - Connie Mahoney

8/7 - Bob & Debbie McKee

8/9 - Sue Gilkey

8/12 - Monica Franklin



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