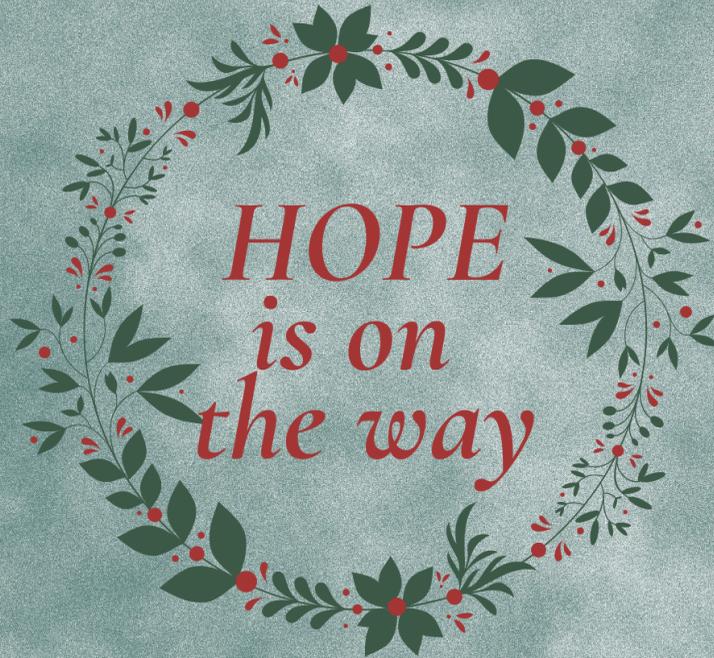


GIFTS OF THE INCARNATION



Cypress Ridge PCA

November 27, 2022

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

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

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.

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 3rd 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.

Prelude

**Please silence your electronic devices*

Announcements

Reflection on Worship

*Hope is not a situation
Hope is not a location
And hope is not an experience
Hope is a person, and His name is Jesus
- Paul David Tripp*

Prayer of Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Fening Family

Call to Worship

from Psalm 33

Leader: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! ... Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

Response: For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

Leader: He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Response: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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O come, all ye faithful; joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye; To Bethlehem
Come and behold Him; Born the King of angels

*O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him; Christ the Lord*

Sing choirs of angels; sing in exultation
O sing, all ye citizens; of heav'n above
Glory to God; all glory in the highest

Chorus

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

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Come, Thou long expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver, born a Child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring
By Thine own eternal spirit, rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne

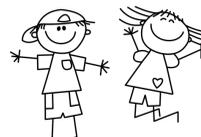
Monthly Memory Verse

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 3rd 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.

Sermon

Pastor Tom Luchenbill

*Gifts of the Incarnation: Hope is on the Way
Various Selections from the Bible*

Questions to Consider

1. When is it easy/hard to trust in God's promises?
2. Which promises of God are easy/hard to trust in? Why?
3. In our worldview, God works both quickly and slowly. Give an example of how He has done both in your life. Discuss.

Fullness of Grace

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Fullness of grace in man's human frailty
This is the wonder of Jesus
Laying aside His power and glory
Humbly He entered our world
Chose the path of meanest worth
Scandal of a virgin birth
Born in a stable cold and rejected
Here lies the hope of the world

Fullness of grace the love of the Father
Shown in the face of Jesus
Stooping to bear the weight of humanity
Walking the Calvary road
Christ, the Holy innocent
Took our sin and punishment
Fullness of God, despised and rejected
Crushed for the sins of the world

Fullness of hope in Christ we had longed for
Promise of God in Jesus
Through His obedience we are forgiven
Op'ning the flood-gates of Heav'n
All our hopes and dreams we bring
Gladly as an offering
Fullness of life and joy unspeakable
God's gift in love to the world

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.

Congregational Prayer

Psalm 32:5

Leader: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we confess that though You call us to trust in You, too often we go our own way. We pray that You would forgive us our sins and give us the strength to rejoice in Your mercy and grace. When our hearts fill with fear and our hope dwindles, would You remind us, that in Christ, our judgments have been wiped away. We pray this in the loving name of Jesus, who quiets us with His singing. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

Mission of the Month: Geneva Relief Fund. See page 14.

Battling Cancer: Susie Fuday

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

Ministry Moment

Faith Xtreme

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.

Offertory Scripture

Deuteronomy 16:17

Leader: Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.

Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

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Enemies Publ., Mathew Merker Music & Messenger Hymns. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

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

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.

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!

Benediction

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Unison Response:

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

Choral Response

Tri-fold Amen

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.
- **Connect Group:** Contact a leader to learn more about their upcoming meetings!
 - **Bob Wood (419-959-4056):** *Senior Saints* will be meeting on December 11th, after church, at the Paris home.
 - **David Reyes (863-206-8278)**
 - **Leopold Jean-Bart (863-521-3136):** Meeting on December 11th, at 5:45 pm, at Sheryl Bacheldor's home.
 - **Rodney Barton (407-375-2756):** Meeting on December 4th, at 5 pm, at the Barton Home.
 - **Tom Luchenbill (863-632-3241):** Meeting on December 11th, at 5 pm, at the Luchenbill home.

THIS WEEK ...

- **Monday Afternoon:** Girls' D-Group Christmas Party at 4:15 pm.
- **Thursday Morning:** Mom's Small Group at 9:45 am.
- **Thursday Evening:** Boathouse (7-12th grade) at 6:30 pm.
- **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>
Monday	Romans 13:1-7	1 Peter 2:13-17; Mark 12:13-17
Tuesday	Romans 13:8	Proverbs 3:27-28; John 13:31-35
Wednesday	Romans 13:8-10	Exodus 20:1-17; John 14:15-17
Thursday	Romans 13:11-12	Isaiah 56:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Friday	Romans 13:13-14	1 Peter 4:1-6; Colossians 3:1-17

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Women's Christmas Celebration:** Monday, December 5th at 7 pm (7th grade – Adults). Sign up at the table in the back of the sanctuary!
- **Boathouse Christmas Party:** Thursday, December 8th, at 6:30 pm, for students 7-12th grade.
- **Kidz Christmas Party:** December 9th at 6 pm. Join us for a night of decorating cookies, story time, and fun family games! For children (infants – 6th grade) and their families.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, December 10th at 9 am.
- **Brookdale Christmas Caroling:** Sunday, December 18th. Meet in the foyer at 9:15 am to walk over OR meet us at Brookdale by 9:30 am. Anyone is welcome to join us!
- **Faith Xtreme Christmas Project:** *Sign up to serve at the Welcome Center!*
 - Opportunities to serve:
 - Financially (Write checks to Faith Xtreme)
 - Make Calls (Spanish speakers needed)
 - Wrap gifts (December 20th, 10 am, at church)
 - Deliver gifts (December 22nd – 24th)
- **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service:** Saturday, December 24th at 6:30 pm. *Please note, there will be no nursery available during this evening service.*

FYI ...

- **Sunday School:** Classes will resume next week 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:

11/27 - Brenda Knappenberger & Lori Brousseau

Children's Worship

11/27 - Ginger Andersen & Renae Anderson

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

11/28 - Larry Moss

11/29 - Savannah Reyes

11/30 - Fred Fening

11/30 - Michael Sakko

12/1 - Vera Castleberry

12/1 - Jessica Holdener

12/2 - Charles Burkett

12/3 - Faviola Genisse



SERVING IN DECEMBER 2022

Usher of the Month: Terry Schmucker

Usher: Brad Johnson

Communion Preparation: Dennis & Brenda Knappenberger

Nursery Volunteers:

12/4 - Carolyn Holdener & Lori Brousseau

12/11 - Jessica Sanders & Lori Brousseau

12/18 - Briana Campos & Lori Brousseau

12/25 - Kay Smith & Alannah Acevedo

Children's Worship Volunteers:

12/4 - Sheryl Bacheldor & Melissa Pletcher

12/11 - Anna Bacheldor & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

12/18 - Linda Paris & TBD

12/25 - No Children's Worship on Christmas Morning
(student activity packets provided)



MISSION OF THE MONTH

Geneva Relief Fund



“Established in 1973, the Relief Fund offers special support to PCA pastors, widows, and ministry staff in need. This fund gives hope to ministry families at their most desperate hour.

All over the country, PCA churches are collecting donations for the Geneva Relief Fund. An increasing number of retired ministers, their widows, and other ministry staff live near the poverty line. We can change that. Your gifts help with groceries, housing, medical expenses, and more. As the church, we have a responsibility to look after those who have faithfully served our churches—in every season of ministry.

Visit genevabenefits.org/lookafter to give and help PCA widows and ministry families in need.”

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