



Cypress Ridge PCA

May 30, 2021

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

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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 handout will guide you as we worship together.

OUR PURPOSE

Cypress Ridge PCA exists to **Exalt** God's Glory, **Equip** God's People, & **Extend** God's Kingdom.

CRPC is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America: www.pcanet.org

VISITOR/PRAYER REQUEST

Please send all new information and prayer requests to info@cypressridge-pca.org

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Scripture: All Scripture used 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

*We are called not simply to communicate the gospel to nonbelievers;
we must also intentionally celebrate the gospel before them.*

- Tim Keller

Call to Worship

John 15:1-2, 5

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. . . . I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.”

Here I Am to Worship

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Light of the world You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made, this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

*So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Chorus

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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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

May the Peoples Praise You

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You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life

*May the peoples praise You, let the nations be glad!
All Your blessing comes that we may praise
May praise the name of Jesus*

All the earth is Yours and all within, each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You, to make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word

Chorus

This our holy priv'lege to declare Your praises and Your Name
To every nation, tribe and tongue Your church proclaim

Chorus

Holy, Holy, is the Lord Almighty
Worthy, worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name

Chorus

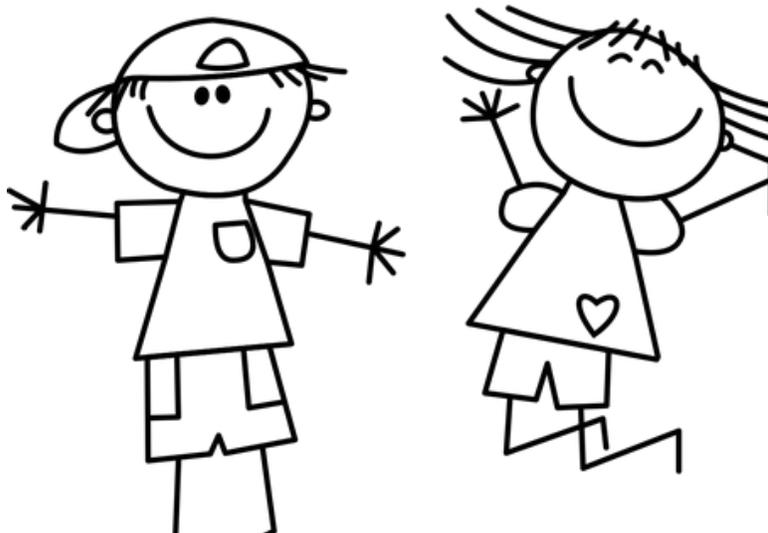
Monthly Memory Verse

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

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

Character, Not Comfort

Judges 6:6-24 (ESV)

Pew Bible p. 205

Large Print Bible p. 258

I. The Lord's Rebuke

II. The Lord's Grace

III. The Lord's Power

How Great Thou Art

Words and Music, Stuart K. Hine. UBP CCLI #3038781

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

Chorus

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, My God, how great Thou art

Chorus

Armed Forces Day is
for those still in
their uniform.

Veterans Day is for
those who hung up
their uniform.

Memorial Day is for
those who never
made it out of
their uniform.

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.

Confessional & Congregational Prayer

Is. 59:2a; Ps. 103:10, 12

Leader: Your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God ... He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ... as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

The following prayer may be used as an example.

Almighty God, You know my heart can be slow to learn, slow to confess, and slow to repent. I acknowledge that my words can be quick to defend my sin, instead of humbly confessing my guilt. I do not always seek Your grace or presence in my daily life because I'd rather do things my own way. Forgive me when I sit in my sin and refuse to change. Holy Spirit, create a new heart in me so that I may seek Your grace, presence, and power in my life and rest in Your promise of forgiveness and salvation. I pray this in the power of Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers for Missionaries and the Congregation

- *Mission of the Month: The Mission of Winter Haven.*
- Receiving treatments for cancer: Barbara Smith & Susie Fuday.
- Health Issues: Melissia Pletcher, Donna Luchenbill, Brenda Donnell, Bill & Dulce Roldan, Paul Smith, Bobbie Razor, Bruce Engstrom, Muriel Baker, and Larry & Pat Moss.



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

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Leader: The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



Speak, O Lord

Words and Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend. UBP CCLI #3038781

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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 grape juice, the inner rings are wine.

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

2 Corinthians 13:14

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” ... both now and forevermore!

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.
- **Mercy Fund Collection.** Please place your mercy fund giving in the green envelopes provided and place in the offering plate.

THIS WEEK ...

- **Monday:** The office is closed for Memorial Day.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men's Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.

BIBLE READING THIS HOLY WEEK ...

<i>As you read, ask these questions:</i>		
<i>1) What does this teach me about God? 2) What does this teach me about how I should live?</i>		
	<u>Bible Reading</u>	<u>Cross References</u>
Monday	Judges 6	1 Samuel 13:1-7; Psalm 44:1-3; Is. 63:15-15-Is. 64:12
Tuesday	Judges 7	Deuteronomy 8:11-20; Deuteronomy 20:1-9
Wednesday	Judges 8	Proverbs 15:1-2; Psalm 83; 1 Samuel 8:1-9
Thursday	Judges 9	Deut. 11:26-29; Josh. 8:30-33; Proverbs 5:21-23
Friday	Judges 10	1 Kings 11:1-8, 26-40; Deuteronomy 32:36-39

FYI ...

- **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 plate. Any prayer requests may also be put on this card.

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Women's Prayer & Fellowship Time:** Swan Lee will be leading a time of prayer and fellowship over Zoom this summer. The women are welcome to join as the group prays over the attributes of God. This will begin on June 8th at 9:30 am. Contact Swan at 863-214-6632 for more details and log-in information.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, June 26th at 9 am.
- **Backyard Bible Club:** We will be holding two Backyard Bible Clubs this summer. The theme this summer is "All for Jesus". BBC provides a way for our CRPC families to make an impact on our congregants' neighborhood. Families, you can sign up with Anna to attend one or both of the BBCs.
 - **June BBC:** June 15-18th at the Knisley home, at 10 am.
 - **July BBC:** July 19-22nd at the Parmerter home, at 10 am.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE ...

May Deacon of the Month: David Holdener

May Ushers: David Cruz & Joe Johnston

May Communion Preparation: Ginger Andersen & Betty Jones

May Nursery:

30 - Marilyn Smith & Lori Brousseau

May Children's Worship:

30 - Philip & Jeanie Baier

This Week's Birthdays & Anniversaries

5/30 - Jim Andersen (Birthday)

5/30 - Tosha Knisley (Birthday)

5/30 - Melissia Pletcher (Birthday)

6/3 - Carolyn Holdener (Birthday)

6/3 - David & Susie Reyes (Anniversary)

6/5 - Susie Fuday (Birthday)

6/5 - Michael & Sherry Sakko (Anniversary)



Thoughts on Memorial Day – written by Joe Johnston

More than 1.1 million men and women have died in wartime throughout the span of our nation's history. To put that in perspective, that's more than the populations of San Francisco, Boston, Seattle or Washington, D.C. In fact, more people were killed in World War II alone than currently live in New Orleans. This, of course, does not begin to take into account those who were wounded or went missing. That number is closer to 2.8 million, just slightly more than the city of Chicago.

These numbers should truly humble us, as they represent people—individuals—who were brothers, husbands, mothers, sisters and friends. These were people woven into the fabric of communities across the nation. They were loved. They were mourned. And now they are missed. It is tough when you send your loved ones off to war. You watch them disappear out of your line of sight, knowing it may very well be the last time you will see them. Hug them. Tell them you love them. But this has been a stark reality for many families in this country. So, too, have been the telegrams, the middle of the night phone calls and the chaplain standing at the front door of the next of kin to tell them that their loved one has been killed.

It is all too easy for those who have never suffered such losses to see past the holes that were left in the families and communities. That's simply human nature. As Franklin D. Roosevelt once said, "Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them." But Memorial Day is a chance to reconnect to the genesis of our nation's innumerable freedoms. Our way of life has been shaped and made possible by those who have served—and by those who were lost.

Working together with friends, neighbors, veterans groups and entire communities, we can ensure that the sacrifices made by our nation's finest and bravest never go unappreciated and that their memories are never forgotten!

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