

Cypress Ridge PCA

May 18, 2025

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.

OUR MISSION: Because we were created to be a **Christ-centered connected community**, we seek to make disciples of all people & generations through Gospel-centered worship, Faithful service, and Authentic relationships.

WE DO THIS BY: Building disciples of Jesus who are rooted in the Gospel, serving on mission, and connecting in community.

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

VISITOR/PRAYER REQUEST CARD

<u>Visitors</u>: 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.

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: 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 for infants through 3 years old.
- 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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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 Abide
Youth Team

*Please silence your electronic devices

Announcements

Led by Bailey Parmerter & Selena Ramlochan

Reflection on Worship

Led by Athenna Taylor

Lord, it is my chief complaint that my love is weak and faint; yet I love thee, and adore; O for grace to love thee more!

- William Cowper

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

from Psalm 108 Led by Joshua Barton

Leader: I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the peoples; I will sing praises to You among the nations.

Response: My heart is steadfast, O God! I will sing and make melody with all my being!

Leader: For Your steadfast love is great, and Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Response: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let Your glory be over all the earth!

Our God

Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin. UBP CCLI#3038781.

Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like You, none like You

Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You, none like You

Our God is greater, our God is stronger God You are higher than any other Our God is healer, awesome in power our God, our God

Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You, none like You

Chorus

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us, then what could stand against And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us, then what could stand against

Chorus

All Creatures of Our God and King

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All creatures of our God and King; lift up your voice and with us sing Oh, praise Him, Alleluia

Thou burning sun with golden beam; Thou silver moon with softer gleam Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him; Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong; Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along Oh, praise Him, Alleluia

Thou rising moon in praise rejoice; Ye lights of evening find a voice Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him; Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

[Hymn continued on the next page]

Let all things their Creator bless; and worship Him in humbleness Oh, praise Him, Alleluia

Praise, praise the Father praise the Son; and praise the Spirit, Three in One Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him; Alleluia, Alleluia

King Of Kings

Songwriters: Jason Ingram, Scott Ligertwood, Brooke Gabrielle Fraser. © So Essential Tunes, Shout! Music Publishing, Hillsong Music Publishing Australia, Hillsong MP Songs. UBP CCLI #3038781.

In the darkness we were waiting; without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running; there was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets; to a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory; to a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father; Praise the Son; Praise the Spirit three in one God of Glory; Majesty; praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming; and to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation; You did not despise the cross For even in Your suffering; You saw to the other side Knowing this was our salvation; Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

And the morning that You rose; all of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good; for the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs; and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come; to the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born; then the Spirit lit the flame Now this Gospel truth of old; shall not kneel shall not faint By His blood and in His Name; in His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ; who has resurrected me

Chorus

Monthly Memory Verse

Hebrews 11:1 Led by Savannah Reyes

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Prayer for Children

Led by Kaleigh Fung

[Children's Worship available for children 4 yrs. - 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 Rodney Barton

John 21:15-19 Pew Bible p. 907; Large Print Bible p.1078 Voices in My Head

Intro

Principle: Restoration is possible.

Problem: We resist grace-based restoration.

Gospel: Jesus went to the cross to secure our restoration.

Response: We are restored to love and follow Jesus.

Questions to Consider

- 1. How do you tend to reject grace-based restoration?
- 2. How is Jesus continuing to remind you to rest in His restoration?
- 3. What lies do you believe and how does God's word speak truth to your situation?

Morning by Morning

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Daily daily I surrender; grace for today is all that I need Surprised by Your mercy; it's new every morning Awaken my soul to sing (2X)

I will trust where You lead; I will trust when I can't see Morning by morning Great is Your faithfulness to me

Breath by breath overtaken by wonder One step at a time when I'm overwhelmed Strength for today; bright hope for tomorrow Awaken my soul to sing (2X)

I will trust where You lead; I will trust when I can't see Morning by morning Great is Your faithfulness to me

I will trust with all my heart; You are good You always are
Morning by morning
Great is Your faithfulness to me

All fear be reminded; my future is secure Oh my Father has spoken And He keeps His every word

I will trust where You lead; I will trust when I can't see

Morning by morning

Great is Your faithfulness to me

I will trust with all my heart; You are good You always are
Morning by morning
Great is Your faithfulness to me

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.

Confession of Sin Psalm 51:7-10

Leader: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that You have broken rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we have often declared our love for You, yet fail to live out that love. We tend to seek our own glory and desires, instead of seeking to build Your Kingdom. Restore us, O Lord! Purify our hearts and cause us to seek You, so that we may help shepherd Your sheep and feed them Your Word. In Jesus' name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

Leader: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Senior Graduate Recognition

Joshua Barton Cade Bates Carina Bonachea Cross Habeil Lain Johnson Monique McNeill Savannah Reyes

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

Leviticus 27:30

Led by Joshua Barton

Leader: Every tithe 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.

Congregational Prayer

Mission of the Month: Esaie & Natacha Etienne, MTW Community Needs: Winter Haven, leaders & beyond

Health Issues: Karen D.; Rosie C.; Sheryl B.; Bob W.; Dulce R.; Bobbi R.

Homebound: Larry & Pat Moss

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.

Words of Institution

Leader: Therefore, we proclaim the faith:

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

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Bread: Regular bread will be offered unless gluten-free bread is requested.

Cup: Grape juice will be offered unless wine is requested.

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

adapted from Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Choral Response

Doxology

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Text by Thomas Ken. Music by Genevan Psalter, 1551, att. to Louis Bourgeois. UBP CCLI #3038781.

> Praise God from Whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen

CRPC FAMILY EVENTS

TODAY ...

- Last day of Sunday School: At 9:15 am classes for all ages!
 - o Adults: Psalms at the Seams, Room 110
 - o **Teens:** The Who Series, Room 111
 - o Children: The Biggest Story, Room 103
 - o Nursery: Ages 3 and under
- Worship Service at CRPC & Livestream: At 10:30 am.
 - Each service is recorded and will be available to watch following the service on YouTube.
 - Senior Sunday: Graduates this year are: Joshua Barton, Cade Bates, Carina Bonachea, Cross Habeil, Lain Johnson, Monique McNeill & Savannah Reyes.

CONNECT GROUPS ... See a leader to learn more!

- **Barton/Holdener Group:** Meeting <u>Sunday, May 18th, at 5 pm</u>, at Rodney & Jennifer Barton's home.
- Reyes Group: Meeting Sunday, May 18th, at 12 pm, at the church.
- **Smith Group:** Meeting <u>Sunday</u>, <u>May 25th</u>, at 5 pm, at Matt & Anna Smith's home.
- Childress/Bacheldor Group: Meeting Wednesday, May 28th, at 5:30 pm, at Dennis & Debbie Childress' home.
- Luchenbill Group: Done till the Fall!
- Wood Group: Done till the Fall!

THIS WEEK ...

- **Thursday Evening:** Boathouse (6-12th grade) at 6:30 pm.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men's Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.

COMMUNITY BIBLE READING ...

After you read through the chapters, pray through them with A.C.T.S. (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication)

Monday: Leviticus 9 and Galatians 2 Tuesday: Leviticus 10 and Galatians 3 Wednesday: Leviticus 11 and Galatians 4 Thursday: Leviticus 12 and Galatians 5 Friday: Leviticus 13 and Galatians 6

Saturday: Psalm 21

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Memorial Day Park Day:** Kidz Outing at the Winter Haven Trailhead Park, May 26th, 9 am 11 am. *There is a splashpad*.
- Community Missions Event Opportunity: Lake Wales Care Center is celebrating 40 years of ministry on Friday, May 30th, from 4-7 pm, at 140 E. Park Avenue Lake Wales, Fl 33898. All are invited to attend the Street Party Celebration!
- **Homeless Bag Ministry:** Friday, June 6th, at 10 am.
- **Officer Nomination:** Please turn in any officer nomination sheets to the office by Sunday, June 8th. You can find the blue nomination sheets at the Welcome Center.
- **Mom's Summer Bible Study:** Save these dates to join us for a Summer mini Bible study & Prayer group for moms. Bring your kids for supervised play while we meet for spiritual encouragement. Thursday mornings: June 12, July 10, & July 31 from 9:30-11:30. *RSVP to Jennifer Barton*.
- Men's Breakfast: Saturday, June 14th, at 9 am.

• **Vacation Bible School:** June 16-20th, 6-8 pm. *A few more volunteers are needed! Please see Anna if you are interested.*





• Rainbow River Tubing: Saturday, July 12th. Cost & more details to follow. This is a church-wide event, save the date!

FYI ...

- **Meal Train:** If you would like to help Bob & Karen Donaldson with meals while Karen recovers from surgery, please sign up at takethemameal.com (last name and password: Donaldson)
- God's Provision Through April 2025:

April General Fund Giving: \$25,169

YTD April GF Giving: \$112,563

YTD April Exp. Paid: \$140,590

YTD April General Fund Budget: \$141,667

YTD Mercy Fund: \$2,809

- Plastic Bag Collection: Please help the Homeless Bag Ministry by donating your plastic grocery bags! There is a collection box by the Welcome Center.
- 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 & regular) and *Tabletalk* at 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 MAY 2025

Deacon of the Month: Charles Burkett Greeters: Matt Sanders & Jon Parmerter

Communion Preparation: David & Blossom Warren

Nursery:

05/18 – Stephanie & Katelyn Wedeman

05/25 - Stephanie & Kay Smith

Children's Worship:

05/18 – Philip & Jeanie Baier

05/25 – Ginger, Terri & Athenna

Snacks:

05/18 – Graduation Cake

05/25 - TBD

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

05/19 – Gilberto Rios-Ruiz

05/21 – Lucy Gonzalez

05/21 – Leopold & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

05/23 - Sam Nieves



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