

# LOVE

*God  
&  
Your Neighbor*



**Cypress Ridge PCA**

February 19, 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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**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**

*Worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God,  
to feed the mind with the truth of God,  
to purge the imagination with the beauty of God,  
to open the heart to the love of God,  
to devote the will to the purpose of God.*

*— Archbishop William Temple*

### **Prayer of Invocation**

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 100

**Leader:** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

**Response:** Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**Leader:** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**Response:** For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

## **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

*Words by Joachim Neander. Music: Stralsund Gesangbuch. Arr. David B. Hampton.  
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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of creation  
O my soul, praise Him; for He is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near  
Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under His wings; yea, so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires all have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

## **Ancient of Days**

*Words and Music by Gary Sadler and Jamie Harvill. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

Blessing and honor, glory and power  
Be unto the Ancient of Days  
From every nation, all of creation  
Bow before the Ancient of Days

*Every tongue in heaven and earth, shall declare Your glory  
Every knee shall bow at Your throne, in worship  
You will be exalted oh God  
And Your kingdom shall not pass away  
Oh Ancient of Days*

## Great I Am

*Jared Anderson. 2011 Integrity Worship Music. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

I wanna be close, close to your side, so heaven is real and death is a lie  
I wanna hear voices of angels above, singing as one

*Hallelujah, Holy Holy God Almighty, The Great I Am  
Who is worthy? None beside Thee, God Almighty, The Great I Am*

I wanna be near, near to your heart, loving the world hating the dark  
I want to see dry bones living again, singing as one

### *Chorus*

The mountains shake before Him, the demons run and flee  
At the mention of the name, King of Majesty  
There is no power in hell or any who can stand  
Before the power and the presence of the Great I Am  
The Great I Am, the Great I Am

### *Chorus*

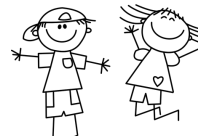
## Monthly Memory Verse

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

## 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 Tom Luchenbill

*A Heart of Love – Mark 12:28-34*

Pew Bible p. 848. Large Print Bible p. 1059

*I. Sincere Question*

*II. Sincere Love*

*III. Sincere Response*

*IV. Sincerity Only Goes So Far*

## **Questions to Consider**

1. How and why is it important to approach others with sincerity?
2. What does sincere love look like? (See Romans 12:9)
3. What does a teachable spirit look like? How well are you doing?
4. Close doesn't cut it – why? Examples.

## **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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### 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 and merciful Father, I have erred and strayed from Your ways like a lost sheep. Too often my heart has been filled with insincerity leading me to: 1) follow the devices and desires of my own heart, 2) leaving undone those things which I should have done, and 3) doing those things which I should not have done. O Lord have mercy upon me. Renew my heart so that I may live a humble righteous life in Christ Jesus. I pray in His name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

### Assurance of Pardon

Psalms 103:8-12

**Leader:** The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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## 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

Malachi 3:10

**Leader:** Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need..

### Elder Prayer

**Mission of the Month:** LifeChoice Pregnancy Center – see pg. 14.

**Battling Cancer:** Susie Fuday & Tom Cammidge

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

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### My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness (Thanksgiving Song)

*Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend. 2003 Thankyou Music.  
UBP CCLI #3038781.*

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain  
Who plumbd the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again  
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light  
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside  
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly  
Whose every promise is enough for every step I take  
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above  
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love  
For every day I have on earth is given by the King  
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him

## 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**

2 Corinthians 13:14 (NIV)

“May 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*

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## CRPC FAMILY EVENTS

### TODAY ...

- **Sunday School:** At 9:15 am, classes available for all ages.
- **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 (419-969-4056): February 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm, at Cypress Ridge.
  - David Reyes (863-206-8278): February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm, at Cypress Ridge.
  - Leopold Jean-Bart (863-521-3136): February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm, at Sheryl Bacheldor's home.
  - Rodney Barton (407-375-2756): February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm, at the Barton home.
  - Tom Luchenbill (863-632-3241): February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm, at the Luchenbill home.

### THIS WEEK ...

- **Tuesday Morning:** Women's Ministry Team Meeting at 10 am.
- **Tuesday Afternoon:** Session Meeting at 4 pm.
- **Thursday Evening:** No Boathouse this 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?*

**Monday:** Job 13:1-12; Psalm 119:65-72; Proverbs 17:27-28

**Tuesday:** Job 13:13-28; Isaiah 50:7-9; Psalm 25:6-7

**Wednesday:** Job 14:1-6; Psalm 89:46-47; Isaiah 40:6-8; 1 Peter 1:24-25

**Thursday:** Job 14:7-17; Psalm 27:4-5

**Friday:** Job 14:18-22; Isaiah 34:1-4

## ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Community Fest Winter Haven:** Join us at downtown Winter Haven on March 4<sup>th</sup> for a day full of FREE family fun. This is an opportunity for us to “Look Out”, to meet, serve, and love on the community. It will also provide an opportunity to invite those we meet to visit Cypress Ridge.

Needs (see Pastor Rodney):

- Any candy donations are appreciated!
- **Men’s Breakfast:** Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

## FYI ...

- **Congratulations to:** Mr. & Mrs. Matt and Anna (Bacheldor) Smith. They were married yesterday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at Cypress Ridge.
- **Out of Office:** Please note that Anna will be out of the office through February 27<sup>th</sup>. Church questions/needs: please call the office at 863-325-9864 and a staff member will get back to you.

- **Baby Bottle Campaign:** To help support our mission of the month, LifeChoice Pregnancy Center, we have provided baby bottles at the Welcome Center. Return the bottles to the office by March 5<sup>th</sup> filled with cash, coin, or check (checks should be written directly to LifeChoice Pregnancy Center). Thank you ☺.
- **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 FEBRUARY 2023

*Usher of the Month: Terry Schmucker*

*Usher: Art Gilkey*

*Communion Preparation: Bob & Barb Luchenbill*

*Nursery Volunteers:*

2/19 - Betty Parmerter & Briana Campos

2/26 - Jessica Sanders & Abby Babcock

*Children's Worship Volunteers:*

2/19 - Linda Paris & Sherry Sakko

2/26 - Ginger Andersen & Terri Jefferies

### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

2/21 - Renae Anderson

2/24 - Charlie Knisley

2/25 - Jon Parmerter



# **FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH**

## **LifeChoice Pregnancy Center**

*LifeChoice provides counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, and much more for women facing unexpected pregnancies. You can read more about this ministry at: [www.lifechoicewh.com](http://www.lifechoicewh.com)*

### ***Look Up!***

- Pray for the unborn babies.
- Pray for the unsaved mothers/parents to know Jesus as their Savior.

### ***Look Out!***

*Baby Bottle Campaign: To help support LifeChoice, we have provided baby bottles at the Welcome Center. Take the bottle home, add money to it for a month, and return to Anna by March 5<sup>th</sup>.*

*Annual Fundraiser: LifeChoice's annual fundraiser "Not Alone" is being held on Friday, April 21, 2023. If you are interested in attending this event, contact LifeChoice at 863-293-0955 or visit [lifechoicewhevent.com](http://lifechoicewhevent.com)*



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