



“Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?...
The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!
Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.”
(Luke 24:32, 34–35)

Cypress Ridge PCA

April 27, 2025

**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.

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.

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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 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

**Please silence your electronic devices*

Announcements

Reflection on Worship

If the Gospel is old news to you, it will be dull news to everyone else.

— Kevin DeYoung

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

from Psalm 119

Leader: Blessed are You, O LORD! Forever Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Response: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Leader: Your faithfulness endures to all generations, and the earth, O LORD, is full of Your steadfast love.

Response: My tongue will sing of Your word; my lips will pour forth praise!

Arise, My Soul, Arise

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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

O Worship the King

By Robert Grant, 1815. Adapted by Chris Tomlin, 2004. UBP CCLI #3038781.

O worship the King, all glorious above
O gratefully sing, His wonderful love
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light, and canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

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*You alone are the matchless King; to You alone be all majesty
Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite
You breathe in the air, You shine in the light*

O measureless might, ineffable love
While angels delight, to worship above
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend

Chorus

We Believe

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In this time of desperation; when all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation; we believe, we believe

In this broken generation; when all is dark, You help us see
There is only one salvation; we believe, we believe

*We believe in God the Father; we believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit; and He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion; we believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection; and He's coming back again, we believe*

Let our faith be more than anthems; greater than the songs we sing
And in our weakness and temptations; we believe, we believe

Chorus

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
In the here and now, let love invade
Let the church live loud, our God will save, "we believe, we believe"
And the gates of hell will not prevail; for the power of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail; we believe, we believe

Monthly Memory Verse

Romans 5:6

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the
ungodly.

Prayer for Children [*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

Guest, Pastor Tony Myers

Luke 24:13-35

Pew Bible p. 885; Large Print Bible p.1051

The Emmaus Encounter

Introduction

I. The Gospel According to Cleopas (24:13-24)

II. The Gospel According to Moses & The Prophets (24:25-27)

III. The Resurrection Changes Everything (24:28-35)

Questions to Consider

1. How does the Spirit bring to life the factual details of the Gospel and how does this encourage us in the work of evangelism?
2. How does Jesus model for us a fruitful model for apologetics?
3. How are our hearts just like the disciples - Foolish, Slow, and Dull?
4. If you were asked to share the Gospel using only the Old Testament, could you? Where does the Old Testament point to the necessity of Jesus' Suffering and Glory?
5. Why are Scripture and Grace both necessary in how God saves us in both Justification and Sanctification?

Jesus, I Come

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Out of my bondage, sorrow and night; Jesus, I come; Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light; Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of my sickness into Thy health
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into Thyself
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss; Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross; Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress into jubilant song
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride; Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide; Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb; Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home; Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold
Jesus, I come to Thee

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

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 confess how hard it is to be Your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being Your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of Your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

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[Silent Confession]

Assurance of Pardon

Psalms 32:1-2

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Ministry Moment

Gideon's International

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 9:7

Leader: Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Congregational Prayer

Mission of the Month: Bruce & Jaye Hansen, Literacy and Evangelism Int.

Community Needs: Winter Haven, leaders & beyond

Health Issues: Rosie C.; Sheryl B.; Sam N.; 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

Doxology

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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 ...

- **Sunday School:** At 9:15 am - classes for all ages!
 - **Adults:** Psalms at the Seams, Room 110 (**Meeting in room 107 today**).
 - **Teens:** The Who Series, Room 111 (**Meeting in room 104 today**).
 - **Children:** The Biggest Story, Room 103
 - **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.

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

- **Barton/Holdener Group:** Meeting Sunday, April 27th, at 5 pm, at Rodney & Jennifer Barton's home.
- **Luchenbill Group:** Meeting Sunday, April 27th, at 5 pm, at Bob & Barb Luchenbill's home.
- **Reyes Group:** Meeting Sunday, April 27th, at 12 pm, at the church.
- **Smith Group:** Meeting Sunday, April 27th, at 5 pm, at Matt & Anna Smith's home.
- **Childress/Bacheldor Group:** Meeting Wednesday, April 30th, at 5:30 pm, at Jim & Ginger Andersen's home.
- **Wood Group:** *Tentatively* meeting May 20th or 21st at 12:30 pm.

THIS WEEK ...

- **Wednesday Afternoon:** Girls' D-Group (6-12th grade) at 4 pm, at Anna Smith's home.
- **Thursday Evening:** Boathouse (6-12th grade) at 6:30 pm.
- **Friday Morning:** Homeless Bag Ministry at 10 am.
- **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: Exodus 34 and 1 Corinthians 16
Tuesday: Exodus 35 and 2 Corinthians 1
Wednesday: Exodus 36 and 2 Corinthians 2
Thursday: Exodus 37 and 2 Corinthians 3
Friday: Exodus 38 and 2 Corinthians 4
Saturday: Psalm 18

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **New Members:** We will be receiving new members on Sunday, May 4th, during the worship service.
- **Congregational Meeting:** Sunday, May 4th, following the worship service.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, May 10th, at 9 am.
- **Boathouse Overnight Retreat:** May 16-17th, (6-12th grade).
- **Senior Sunday:** Sunday, May 18th. Graduates this year are: Joshua Barton, Carina Bonachea, Cross Habeil, Lain Johnson, Monique McNeill & Savannah Reyes.
- **Memorial Day Park Day:** Kidz Outing at the park, May 26th.

- **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!
- **Vacation Bible School:** June 16-20th, 6-8 pm. Save the dates!

FYI ...

- **Condolences:** We grieve the recent losses of two previous Cypress Ridge members: Becky Connors and Janet Abell. We grieve now, but find joy knowing they are with the Lord! Please pray for their families in this difficult time.
 - Becky Connors' service will be held May 3rd, at 10:30 am, at Covenant Life Presbyterian Church in Sarasota.
- **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 APRIL 2025

Usher of the Month: Terry Schmucker

Greeters: Larry & Ginny Vander Zee

Communion Preparation: Leopold & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

Nursery:

04/27 – Stephanie & Jennifer Sanchez

Children's Worship:

04/27 – Ginger, Terri & Athenna

Snacks:

04/27 – Dave & Kay Smith

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

04/27 – Ronnie & Nirvana Ramlochan

04/30 – José Del Valle

05/01 – Rick & Rosie Chaudoin

05/03 – Galina Hitching



SERVING IN MAY 2025

Deacon of the Month: Charles Burkett

Greeters: Matt Sanders & Jon Parmerter

Communion Preparation: David & Blossom Warren

Nursery:

05/04 – Stephanie & Renae Anderson

05/11 – Stephanie & Briana Campos

05/18 – Stephanie & Katelyn Wedeman

05/25 – Stephanie & Kay Smith

Children's Worship:

05/04 – Sheryl, Jessica S. & Gabby

05/11 – Anna, Carolyn & Melissa

05/18 – Philip & Jeanie Baier

05/25 – Ginger, Terri & Athenna

Snacks:

05/04 – TBD

05/11 – TBD

05/18 – Graduation Cake

05/25 – TBD

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