



## **Cypress Ridge PCA**

September 4, 2022

**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. Therefore, we ask that you please fill out the Visitor Card and place it in the offering plate. If you'd like additional information about CRPC, we encourage you to look at our website for further information. Website is: [www.cypressridge-pca.org](http://www.cypressridge-pca.org).

Prayer Requests: After recording your prayer requests, please place the card in the offering plate.

## 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**

*“To worship God is to humble everything about ourselves  
and exalt everything about Him.”*

*- Bob Kauflin*

## **Prayer of Invocation**

Elder David Reyes

## **Call to Worship**

Psalms 150:1-2, 6

**Leader:** Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!

**Response:** Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

**Leader:** Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

**Response:** Praise the Lord!

## **A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

*Words and Music by Martin Luther, 1529. Public Domain.*

A mighty fortress is our God; a bulwark never failing  
Our helper He amid the flood; of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide; our striving would be losing  
Were not the right Man on our side; the Man of God's own choosing  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He  
Lord Sab-a-oth, His Name, from age to age the same  
And He must win the battle

That word above all earthly powers; no thanks to them, abideth  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours; thru Him Who with us sideth  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also  
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still  
His kingdom is forever



## **His Mercy is More**

*Words & Music by Matt Boswell & Matt Papa. © 2016 Getty Music Songs, Messenger  
Hymns & Love Your Enemies Pub. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord  
His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness  
New every morn'  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

### *Chorus*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

### *Chorus*

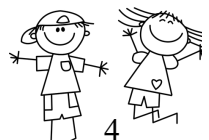
## **Monthly Memory Verse**

Proverbs 4:23-24

Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life. Put  
away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you.

## **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 Rodney Barton

*The Secret to the Kingdom of God*

*Mark 4:1-34 (ESV)*

Pew Bible p. 839

Large Print Bible p. 1047

*The secret to the Kingdom is to:*

*I. Hear the Word*

*II. Share the Word*

*III. Grow in the Word*

## **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 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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### Congregational Prayer

Micah 7:18

**Leader:** Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.

#### **Prayer:**

Heavenly Father, we confess the times we have hardened our hearts so that we can satisfy our own pleasures. There have been times tribulation has caused us to doubt Your sovereign goodness to us. Forgive us for when we have hidden the light of Christ and not shared Him with others. May Your Holy Spirit correct our hearts so that they will be softened to hear and apply Your Word. And may He guide us into paths that will allow us to share Your Word to others where we live, work and play. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*[Silent Confession]*

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***Mission of the Month:*** Esaie & Natacha Etienne, see page 14.

***Battling Cancer:*** Curtis Guise & Susie Fuday

***Health Issues:*** Knisley Family, Mary Jones, Steve Dortman, Lillian Steverson Kelder, Marilyn Smith, Blossom Warren, Rick & Rosie DeCoito, Pat Moss, Brenda Donnell

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### Ministry Moment

Kidz Service Club Car Wash

## 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

Psalm 50:14-15

**Leader:** Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

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### Before the Throne of God Above

*Words & Music by Charitie Lees Bancroft & Vikki Cook. UBP CCLI #3038781.*

Before the throne of God above; I have a strong, and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is Love  
Who ever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands; my name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart (2x)

When Satan tempts me to despair; and tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there; Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died; my sinful soul is counted free  
For God, the just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me (2x)

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb; my perfect, spotless righteousness  
The great unchangeable I Am; the King of glory and of grace  
One with Himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased with His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ, my Savior and my God (2x)

## 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**

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, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

### **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 ...

- **Worship Service at CRPC & Livestream:** At 10:30 am.
  - Each service is recorded and will be available to watch following the service on YouTube.

## THIS WEEK ...

- **Monday:** The office will be closed for Labor Day.
- **Thursday Evening:** Boathouse (7-12<sup>th</sup> grade) at 6:30 pm.
- **Friday Evening:** Kidz Night Out (infants – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) at 6 pm.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men's Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.
- **Saturday Morning:** Kidz Service Club Car Wash from 11-1 pm.

## BIBLE READING THIS WEEK ...

<i>As you read, ask these questions:</i>		
<i>1) What does this teach me about God?</i>		
<i>2) What does this teach me about how I should live?</i>		
	<b><u>Bible Reading</u></b>	<b><u>Cross References</u></b>
<b>Monday</b>	Nahum 1:1-11	Exodus 34:1-9; Psalm 92:5-15
<b>Tuesday</b>	Nahum 1:12-15	Isaiah 52:7-8; Romans 10:14-17
<b>Wednesday</b>	Nahum 2:1-13	Psalm 80:8-13
<b>Thursday</b>	Nahum 3:1-7	Revelation 17
<b>Friday</b>	Nahum 3:8-19	Psalm 75:8-10

## ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Fall Ministry Kickoff Celebration:** We will be celebrating our fall kickoff with an ice cream truck following the worship service on September 11th. Donations accepted.

- **Sunday School:** Starting on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am. Classes are available for all ages.
  - **Treehouse Sunday School (Infants – 4 years):** *God's Family* – Led by Mrs. Jessica Sanders & Mrs. Lori Brousseau.
  - **Playhouse Sunday School (K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade):** *God Created All Things* – Led by Mrs. Betty Parmerter & Mrs. Rosemond Fening.
  - **Clubhouse & Lighthouse Sunday School (3-6<sup>th</sup> grade):** *Worshipping God* – Led by Ms. Anna Bacheldor & Mrs. Jessica Holdener.
  - **Boathouse Sunday School (7-12<sup>th</sup> grade):** *The Book of Judges* – Led by Pastor Rodney Barton.
  - **Adult Sunday School:** *The Master's Men: Study of Jesus' Disciples... These Men Actually Walked with Jesus!* – Led by Elder Bob Wood.
- **Mom's Small Group:** A Mom's small group will meet every-other-week starting Thursday, September 15. Childcare will be provided. See Jennifer Barton for more details!
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.
- **Connect Groups:** Starting Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Sign up at the Welcome Center! See below for each leader's planned time to meet.
  - **Pastor Rodney Barton:** Sunday nights, at 5 pm
  - **Elder Leopold Jean-Bart:** Sunday nights, time TBA.
  - **Pastor Tom Luchenbill:** Sunday nights, time TBA.
  - **Elder David Reyes:** Sunday nights, time TBA.
  - **Elder Bob Wood:** Sundays at 12:15 pm
- **Girls' D-Group:** Starting Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Luchenbill home, 4:15 pm. This study is for girls 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade. See Anna for more details.

FYI ...

- **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 SEPTEMBER 2022

*Deacon of the Month:* Dave Holdener

*Usher:* Joe Johnston

*Communion Preparation:* David & Blossom Warren

*Nursery Volunteers:*

9/4 - Briana Campos & Lori Brousseau

9/11 - Kay Smith & Lori Brousseau

9/18 - Abby Babcock & Lori Brousseau

9/25 - TBD & Lori Brousseau

*Children's Worship Volunteers:*

9/4 - Anna Bacheldor & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

9/11 - Sheryl Bacheldor & TBD

9/18 - Linda Paris & Sherry Sakko

9/25 - Ginger Andersen & Renae Anderson

### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

9/5 - Sheryl Bacheldor

9/5 - Wayne Wheeler

9/6 - Alicia Aviles

9/6 - Judy McGuire

9/7 - Rosie Smith

9/10 - Bob Luchenbill



# MISSIONARIES OF THE MONTH

## ESAIE & NATACHA ETIENNE SERVING HAITI



*\*The following updates and prayer requests are taken from the Etienne's July 2022 newsletter. See Anna for a copy of the newsletter in its entirety.*

### Current struggles in Haiti:

- Food Insecurity
- High inflation rate
- A constant shortage of fuel
- Church membership and leadership is struggling as members try to leave the country.

### August 2021 Earthquake Relief:

- Last year we initiated some relief in the forms of food distribution and house rebuilding for several families. I was able to make a trip there last week to see the progress of these works and it was very encouraging. There was a lot of expression of joy, a lot of gratitude from those that either received materials to do it themselves in the city of Cavaillon or the three houses that we completely build in the village of Casse.

### Additional Plans and Prayers:

- We are still working on the plan to move to the Dominican Republic in the Fall of next year to oversee the ministries of both in Haiti and in the Dominican Republic. Please pray for us.
- We are working also on our plans to organize a leaders and wives retreat at the end of this year from December 26 to December 30.
- Tension between the Dominican Republic and Haiti as Haitians flee to the DR.

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