



## **Cypress Ridge PCA**

December 27, 2020

**Join our In-House & Live Stream  
Worship Service at 10:30 am!**

*[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 handout will guide you as we worship together.

### **OUR PURPOSE**

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

CRPC is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America: [www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org)

### **VISITOR/PRAYER REQUEST**

Please send all new information and prayer requests to [info@cypressridge-pca.org](mailto:info@cypressridge-pca.org)

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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.*

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### Prelude

*(All music used by permission CCLI #3038781)*

*\*Please silence your electronic devices*

### Announcements

### Reflection on Worship

*Through salvation our past has been forgiven,  
our present is given meaning, and our future is secured.*

*- Rick Warren*

### Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-3

**Leader:** Oh give thanks to the Lord;  
Call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!  
Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!  
Glory in his holy name;  
Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

### Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Text by Henry van Dyke; Music by Ludwig van Beethoven*

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee; God of glory, Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee; opening to the sun above  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness; fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround Thee; earth and heaven reflect Thy rays  
Stars and angels sing around Thee; center of unbroken praise  
Field and forest, vale and mountain; flowery meadow, flashing sea  
Singing bird and flowing fountain; call us to rejoice in Thee

### **All Hail the Power of Jesus Name**

*Words; Edward Perronet 1780, adapted by John Rippon. Music: Oliver Holden*

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all  
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### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

*Authors: John Bacchus Dykes & Reginald Heber*

Holy, Holy, Holy; Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, Holy, Holy; merciful and mighty  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, Holy, Holy; though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man, Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love and purity

### **Monthly Memory Verse**

*Hebrews 11:1*

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

### **Prayer for Children**

[Children's Worship is for children 4 years to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. We ask that everyone wear a mask while going to and from the classroom. Extra masks are available in the back of the sanctuary, if needed.]

## 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

*Acts 9:1-9*

Pew Bible p. 917

Large Print Bible p. 1145

## **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*

## 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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### Confessional & Congregational Prayer

1 John 1:9

**Leader:** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*The following questions may be used as a guide as you spend time silently confessing your sins.*

- In what situations do I do things my way instead of God's way?
  - When and how am I blinded by my intentions, ignoring God's plan?
  - In what ways do I hurt God's people (emotionally, physically & spiritually)?
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### Prayers for Missionaries and the Congregation



- *December Mission of the Month: PCA Ministerial Relief.* For more information on this ministry, see the flyers at the Welcome Center.
  - Receiving treatments for cancer: Barbara Smith.
  - Health Issues: Ken Harrison, Gabrielle Jean-Bart, Paul Smith, Gilberto Rios, Art Gilkey, Vicki Johnston, Bobbie Razor, Bruce Engstrom, Muriel Baker and Larry & Pat Moss.
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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

Psalm 96:8

**Leader:** Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

## **Behold the Lamb**

*Words and Music by Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us  
And we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross  
So we share in this bread of life; and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace; around the table of the King

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you  
Drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God  
So we share in this bread of life; and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace; around the table of the King

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise, to respond  
And to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth  
As we share in His suffering; we proclaim Christ will come again  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven; around the table of the King

## 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 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!*

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### Benediction

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

### 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 ...

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

## THIS WEEK ...

- **Thursday & Friday:** The office will be closed on New Year's Eve & New Year's Day.
- **Saturday Morning:** Men's Sunrise Bible Study at 7 am.

## BIBLE READING THIS WEEK ...

<i>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?</i>		
	<b><u>New Testament</u></b>	<b><u>Cross References</u></b>
<b>Monday</b>	John 2	Psalm 69:9; Psalm 16:9-10
<b>Tuesday</b>	John 3:1-15	Acts 2:22-24; 2 Cor. 5:16-21; Titus 3:4-7; Num. 21:4-9
<b>Wednesday</b>	John 3:16-21	Rom. 5:6-11; 1 John 4:7-12; Ephesians 5:1-21
<b>Thursday</b>	John 3:22-36	1 Cor. 4:6-7; James 1:16-18; Romans 2:1-11
<b>Friday</b>	John 4:1-45	Jeremiah 17:12-13; Psalm 145:18-21

## FYI ...

- **CRPC Christmas Project:** Thank you! Under the Lord's provision, our church was able to serve 31 families (100 children!).
- **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.

# THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

*December Deacon of the Month:* David Holdener

*December Usher:* Don Copeland & Terry Schmucker

*December Communion Preparation:* Ginger Andersen & Betty Jones

*December Children's Nursery:*

27 - Marilyn Smith & Lori Brousseau

*December Children's Worship:*

27 - Betty Parmerter & Becky Steverson

## **This Week's Birthdays & Anniversaries**

12/27 Wayne & Renae Anderson (Anniversary)

12/27 Frantz & Violene Genisse (Anniversary)

12/28 Lori Brousseau (Birthday)

12/28 Art & Sue Gilkey (Anniversary)

12/28 Reed & Priscilla Jostes (Anniversary)

12/29 Marilyn Smith (Birthday)

12/31 Ginny Vander Zee (Birthday)

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