

**May 3, 2015**  
**5th Sunday of Easter**



**Cypress Ridge**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)



## WELCOME

Thank you for joining us today. We would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through Cypress Ridge Church. If you would like more information about the CRPC church family, please fill out the information card and place it in the offering plate later in the service. We encourage you to check out our website which has more information about our church:  
[www.cypressridge-pca.org](http://www.cypressridge-pca.org)

### WE HAVE SEVERAL OPTIONS IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN

1. Children are welcome to remain in the Worship Center for the entire service. Typically, our service is no longer than one hour and 15 minutes.
2. There is a fully staffed nursery and pre-school room. The nursery is for infants thru 1 year olds. The pre-school room is for 2-3 year olds.
3. Because children are so important to the Lord and to us, children of all ages are invited to come forward for prayer near the beginning of our worship service.
4. Following the Children's Prayer, children may return to their seats or go to Children's Worship.
5. Children's Worship is offered for those from age 4 thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. CW includes music, Bible teaching, craft, and a light snack. Children are brought back to the Worship Center before Communion.
6. There is a cry room at the back of the Worship Center where parents can take their child(ren) during the service.

If you have any questions concerning child care options, please speak to one of our ushers at the entrance of the Worship Center.

**About the Cover:** Painter: James Jacques Tissot (French painter, 1836-1902). Many of Tissot's paintings of the Life of Christ are owned by the Brooklyn Museum, New York. This painting depicts Jesus eating with the disciples on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias. This was Jesus' third post resurrection appearance to his disciples as recorded in the Gospel of John.

# The LORD Gathers The Nations

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*We believe that God, in His three-fold person of Father, Son, and Spirit, out of His grace and love for humanity calls the world to worship Him. Each week we come not in perfection, but with our troubles and questions. As a Christian community, we meet with God in a special way on the first day of the week. Community worship is vital to a healthy relationship with God.*

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

[Please silence your mobile devices]

## Reflection

*Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on Your churches around this world. May the faithful find salvation and the careless be awakened. May the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

[Prepare your hearts for worship in silent prayer/meditation]

## Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Tom Luchenbill

## †Call to Worship

*from Psalm 66:1-4*

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name

**Give to him glorious praise!**

Say to God,

**“How awesome are your deeds! All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.”**

## †Hymn

Come People of the Risen King

**Come people of the Risen King**

**Who delight to bring Him praise**

**Come all and tune your hearts to sing**

**To the Morning Star of grace**

**From the shifting shadows of the earth**

**We will lift our eyes to Him**

**Where steady arms of mercy reach, to gather children in**

[Hymn continues on next page]

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†Congregation stands

**Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!**

**Come, those whose joy is morning sun  
And those weeping through the night  
Come, those who tell of battles won  
And those struggling in the fight  
For His perfect love will never change  
And His mercies never cease  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace**

(Chorus)

**Come, young and old from every land  
Men and women of the faith  
Come, those with full or empty hands  
Find the riches of His grace  
Over all the world, His people sing  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age  
“Our God is all in all”!**

(Chorus)

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†Hymn

Hallelujah to My King

**O how strong the power of Jesus' name  
It is stronger than any other name  
How sweet the vict'ry that bore my shame  
Took the burden of my sin away**

**Hallelujah, what a Savior, I owe everything to Him  
Hallelujah, what a Savior, Hallelujah to my King**

**O how great the kindness our God has shown  
We were strangers, now we're called His own  
His grace has welcomed the sinner home  
Tender mercies lead us to the throne**

[Hymn continues on next page]

**Hallelujah, what a Savior, I owe everything to Him  
Hallelujah, what a Savior, Hallelujah to my King**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah to my King (repeat)**

**O what peace the Spirit of Jesus brings  
Through the trials, He will carry me  
One day in Heaven, our eyes will meet  
Filled with wonder, all the saints will sing**

**Hallelujah, what a Savior, I owe everything to Him  
Hallelujah, what a Savior, Hallelujah to my King**

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### Prayer for Children

[Children ages 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may leave for Children's Church]  
[Parents, please notify leaders of any food allergies]

## The LORD Reveals Himself To The World

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*God calls the nations to follow him. He does this primarily through the reading and exposition of the Bible as contained in the Old and New Testaments. We typically read verses from both testaments to help us see and understand the continuity of God's redemptive plan to save His people.*

Old Testament Reading (Bible Page 263)

2 Samuel 12:15b-20

<sup>15</sup> And the LORD afflicted the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and he became sick. <sup>16</sup> David therefore sought God on behalf of the child. And David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. <sup>17</sup> And the elders of his house stood beside him, to raise him from the ground, but he would not, nor did he eat food with them. <sup>18</sup> On the seventh day the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, "Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he did not listen to us. How then can we say to him the child is dead? He may do himself some harm." <sup>19</sup> But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David understood that the child was dead. And David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" They said, "He is dead." <sup>20</sup> Then

David arose from the earth and washed and anointed himself and changed his clothes. And he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. He then went to his own house. And when he asked, they set food before him, and he ate.

New Testament Reading (Bible Page 907)

*John 21:15-19*

<sup>37</sup> When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup> He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup> He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." <sup>18</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup> (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

Sermon

Pastor Tom Luchenbill

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**The love of God is greater far  
 Than tongue or pen can ever tell  
 It goes beyond the highest star  
 And reaches to the lowest hell  
 The guilty pair, bowed down with care  
 God gave His Son to win  
 His erring child He reconciled  
 And pardoned from his sin**

**Oh, love of God, how rich and pure  
 How measureless and strong  
 It shall forevermore endure  
 The saints' and angels' song**

**When hoary time shall pass away  
 And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall  
 When men who here refuse to pray  
 On rocks and hills and mountains call  
 God's love so sure, shall still endure  
 All measureless and strong  
 Redeeming grace to Adam's race  
 The saints' and angels' song**

(Chorus)

**Could we with ink the ocean fill  
 And were the skies of parchment made  
 Were every stalk on earth a quill  
 And every man a scribe by trade  
 To write the love of God above  
 Would drain the ocean dry  
 Nor could the scroll contain the whole  
 Though stretched from sky to sky**

(Chorus)

## The LORD Forgives Our Sins

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*We respond to God's revelation by acknowledging that we are not perfect. Therefore, we need the Savior, Jesus Christ. He invites us to bring Him all our faults and brokenness. Because of His gracious love, He forgives all our sins.*

†Confession of Sin

*Psalms 51:3-4a*

I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

With the assurance of faith in Christ Jesus, we confess our sins:

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

[Silent time of confession]

†Assurance of Pardon

*from Micah 7:18b-19*

God does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. He will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

Through God's love, he has forgiven you from all your sins.

**Thanks be to you, O Lord!**

†Greet One Another in Peace

*Arise My Soul, Arise*

**Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son  
Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun  
His reign on earth begun**

**He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free  
To take away transgression, and rule in equity**

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## The LORD Calls Us To Pray

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*God calls us to live a life of faith. Faith requires prayer. Through prayer we seek His will, trusting that He will do what is best for us.*

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Our Missionaries for the month of May are Jeremiah and Danielle Fox ministering in Santiago de Compostela, Spain. They present the gospel to pilgrims traveling the Camino de Santiago trail. They helped to create a place of refuge called Pilgrim House for weary travelers. To see more about their ministry visit their site at “[caminodefox.org](http://caminodefox.org)”.

Congregational Prayer

*Psalm 5:3*

O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.

Let us offer our praises, prayers, and petitions to the Lord.

[Individual prayers may be offered at this time]

Heavenly Father, your love for us is beyond our comprehension. With a sincere heart, Lord Jesus, we thank you for rescuing us from our sin, and for teaching us to pray:

**Our Father, Who art in Heaven  
Hallowed be Thy name  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven  
Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our debts  
As we have forgiven our debtors  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil  
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power  
And the glory, forever. Amen.**

*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.*

Offering

*Psalm 116:12, 14*

What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me? ... I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Let us honor God by offering our tithes and offerings.

†Hymn

O, Love That Will Not Let Me Go

**O, love that will not let me go  
I rest my weary soul in Thee  
I give Thee back the life I owe  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be**

**O Light, that follow'st all my way  
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee  
My heart restores its borrowed ray  
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be**

**O, Joy that seekest me through pain  
I cannot close my heart to Thee  
I trace the rainbow through the rain  
And feel the promise is not vain  
That morn shall tearless be**

**O Cross, that liftest up my head  
I dare not ask to fly from Thee  
I lay in dust life's glory dead  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be**

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## The LORD Communes With His People

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*The climax of our worship with God is sitting at a Table with Him. We come to the Table full of thankfulness and joy because of His grace. God has moved us from death to life, from darkness to light, and from separation to communion.*

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

## The LORD Sends Us Out Into The World

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*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

*1 Timothy 1:17 (KJV)*

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Christ has died!**

**Christ has risen!**

**Christ will come again!**

†Benediction hymn

Tri-fold Amen

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS:** See p. 16-17

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** After a short break, the Women's Bible Studies resume this week at their normal times.

**KIDZ NIGHT OUT:** May 13 will be the final KNO for this school year. (Note: it is the second Wednesday this month.)

**IDEA'S BOX:** You will notice on the small round table in the back of the sanctuary is a box for the purpose of writing ideas you would like to see happen at Cypress Ridge. Please put on your thinking caps and let the ideas flow. Write them down (as many as you want) and PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME ON EACH ONE.

**VBS:** The King is Coming! Dates/time for this years VBS are July 6-10 from 6-8 pm. VBS is for children 4 yrs. – 5th grade

**SNACK & CHAT:** Please sign up on the table in the Fellowship Area if you are interested in serving our congregation in this way.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operating Fund thru 4/25/15	Last Week	Y-T-D
Targeted Budget for 2015	5,135	87,288
Tithes & Offerings	1,709	82,443

## **THIS WEEKS EVENTS**

Sunday	Sunday School .....	9:15 am
	Worship.....	10:30 am
	College and Career (Luchenbill's).....	7:00 pm
Monday	Women's Bible Study.....	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study.....	9:30 am
Wednesday	The Boathouse .....	6:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study .....	7:00 pm
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	Men's Sunrise Bible Study .....	7:00 am

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**KIDZ NIGHT OUT: MAY 13**

**INSTALLATION SERVICE & RECEPTION FOR TOM: MAY 31**

**VBS DATES: JULY 6-10**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE UPDATES**

Prayer –

- For Clyde Heath to continue to improve and have complete healing so he is able to be back with us again.
- That God will protect the persecuted Christians around the world.

Praise –

- That through our daily devotions, God's word teaches us of his deep loves for us ... in spite of all of our flaws.

## MAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Elder of the Month: Don Paris

Usher of the Month: Leopold Jean-Bart

Ushers: Ken Harrison  
Stephen Roe  
Bill Kelder  
Johnny Brown

Greeters: 3 - Karen Brown & Sharon Rice  
10 - Paul & Sheryl Bacheldor  
17 - Tom & Dee Floyd  
24 - Frank & Terry Kockler  
31 - Franz & Violene Genisse

Nursery: 3 - Preschool: Linda Paris & Jaye Hansen  
Infant: TBD  
10 - Preschool: Kim Schmucker  
Infant: TBD  
17 - Preschool: David Holdener & Sheryl Bacheldor  
Infant: Renae Anderson  
24 - Preschool: Ginger Andersen & Betty Jones  
Infant: Kim Schmucker  
31 - Preschool: Kim Schmucker  
Infant: TBD

Snacks: 3 - Bruce & Jaye Hansen  
10 - Ginger Andersen & Betty Jones  
17 - Jon & Betty Parmerter  
24 - TBD  
31 - Ken & Janice Harrison

Communion: Charles & Shirley Burkett

Counters: 3 - Ken Harrison & Mike Sakko  
10 - Ken Harrison & Mike Sakko  
17 - Ken Harrison & Mike Sakko  
24 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter  
31 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter

## Birthdays

5/7 Destin LeBlanc  
5/8 Haley Andersen  
5/8 Katie Lee  
5/12 David Reyes  
5/15 Jackie Lawrence  
5/25 Wayne Andersen  
5/28 Karen Othoson  
5/30 Jim Andersen  
5/30 Melissia Pletcher

## Anniversaries

5/5 Seth & Monica Pendergast  
5/7 Paul & Melissia Pletcher  
5/21 Leopold & Gabrielle Jean-Bart

## WEEKLY COMMUNION WORSHIP

At Cypress Ridge we believe that the Lord ministers to us in both the hearing of the Word (what we call the ‘sermon’) and the visible Word (what we call ‘communion’ or ‘The Lord’s Table’).

The **Lord’s Supper** is observed every Sunday as the climax of worship at Cypress Ridge. As we partake of this meal we are reminded of Jesus Christ’s presence with us, his words to do this often in remembrance of him, and as a statement of our faith and trust in him alone for our salvation.

## CHURCH SEASON: EASTERTIDE

Eastertide is the period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. The Good News of Easter cannot be contained in a single day’s celebration. Eastertide is called by some, the “Great Fifty Days” that lead up to Pentecost. This season is designed for extended celebration of the resurrection, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.

## DAILY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>NT</u>
Mon.	47	Gen. 32:13-32	Acts 7:30-43
Tues.	48	Gen. 33:1-11	Acts 7:44-53
Wed.	49:1-11	Gen. 33:12-20	Acts 7:54-60
Thurs.	49:12-20	Gen. 34:1-17	Acts 8:1-8
Fri.	50:1-15	Gen. 34:18-31	Acts 8:9-25
Sat.	50:16-23	Gen. 35:1-15	Acts 8:26-30

## NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

We believe the New Testament establishes two offices for the church: Elders (also called overseers or bishops) and deacons. The church is lead through the officers it elects as they seek to follow the Lord in all things. Therefore, nominating and electing men that are qualified and “called” to these offices is a very important duty of the congregation.

The PCA’s Book of Church Order has established a method for choosing new officers.

First, the Session opens nominations. The CRPC’s Session has established April as the month to nominate men for the offices of Elder and Deacon. Our Session is asking CRPC’s members to begin prayerfully reading scriptures pertaining to the offices of Elder and Deacon. The following scriptures are helpful: 2 Timothy 3:1-13 (printed below), Titus 1:5-9, 1 Peter 5:1-5, Acts 6:1-7.

Second, in April, CRPC’s members are to approach men who they believe are qualified to serve in one of the offices and seek their approval to nominate them. If the man (men) agrees, submit the Nominee Form to a Session or Diaconate member.

Third, the nominees will begin the training process. The training process includes teaching and training nominees in areas such as theology, evangelism, leadership, and congregational care.

Fourth, after the teaching and training is concluded, the elders will examine the men for readiness to serve. Those ready to serve will be presented to the congregation. The congregation will then vote on a motion to elect the new officers. This will be in the early fall.

I Timothy 3:1-13:

*The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer (elder), he desires a noble task. Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s*

*church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.*

*Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.*

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**Nomination(s) for Elder and/or Deacon**

Please submit today if possible  
To a current Pastor, Elder or Deacon

**Your Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**1) Name of the Person Nominated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated to Elder or Deacon?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominees Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**2) Name of the Person Nominated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated to Elder or Deacon?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominees Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**3) Name of the Person Nominated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated to Elder or Deacon?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominees Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

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