



Cypress Ridge PCA

August 14, 2016

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 folder will guide you as we worship together.

OUR PURPOSE

Cypress Ridge PCA exists to be a God centered, worshipping community that disciples God's people and extends God's kingdom.

CRPC is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America:
www.pcanet.org

VISITOR/PRAAYER 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.

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 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.

About the Cover: A close-up of Michelangelo's (1475-1564) painting of *Saul's Conversion* which resides in the Vatican.

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

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**Please silence your electronic devices*

Announcements

Reflection on Worship

based on Ephesians 3:18-19

“O God, by your power may we, with all the saints, comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with your fullness. Amen.”

Call to Worship

from Psalm 18:1-3

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

Response: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer in whom I take refuge

Leader: The Lord is my rock, my shield, and the horn of my salvation

Response: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

The Solid Rock

Words and Music: Edward Mote & William Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' Name

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

His oath, His covenant, His blood; support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay

Chorus

When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne

Chorus

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Words: Isaac Watts. Music: Gesangbuch Herzogl

I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies
I sing the wisdom that ordained, the sun to rule the day
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food
He formed the creatures with His Word, and then pronounced them good
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes Thy glories known
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne
While all that borrows life from Thee, is ever in Thy care
And everywhere that man can be; Thou, God art present there

Prayer for Teachers

Prayer for Children

[Children ages 4 through 3rd grade may leave for Children's Worship]

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 Text (Pew Bible p. 917)

Acts 9:1-22

¹ But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"

⁵ And he said, "Who are you, Lord?"

And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

⁷ The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸ Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰ Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias."

And he said, "Here I am, Lord."

¹¹ And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."

¹³ But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And here

he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name."

¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.

¹⁶ For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

¹⁷ So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹ and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰ And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹ And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²² But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

Be Thou My Vision

Text: Anc. Irish hymn; tran. by Mary Byrne. Music: Irish Folk mel.; arr. By David Allen

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

THE LORD FORGIVES OUR SINS

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

Ezra 10:11a

Leader: Now then make confession to the LORD, the God of your fathers and do his will.

Let us confess our sins.

Unison: Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you. We confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God, and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. We ask for your forgiveness, and we ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts to be witnesses for You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be, regardless of what we are doing, or who we are with. Draw us close to You. May the Spirit move us to grow in our relationship with You. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43:25

Leader: The Lord God said, "I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins."

Our loving God has forgiven our sins.

Unison: Praise be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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

Hebrews 6:10 NASB

Leader: For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints.

Missionary Report

Len Bullock

THE LORD CALLS US TO PRAY

*God calls us to pray. Through prayer we seek His good and perfect will. Our prayer time includes praying for our August **Missionaries of the Month:** Leonard and Maritza Bullock. Their mission field is in the Basque city of Irun, Spain where they are involved in their church and going into homes for the elderly to pray and present the gospel. Their focus is to see a group of believers form in a nearby fishing and tourist town.*

Congregational Prayer

2 Chronicles 7:14

Leader: If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

[We now offer our individual prayers of thanksgiving and intercession]

Elder Prayer

Victory in Jesus

Author, Eugene M. Bartlett;

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary, to save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory

*O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever
He sought me and bought me, with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood*

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing power revealing
How He made the lame to walk again, and caused the blind to see
And then I cried, “Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit”
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory

Chorus

I heard about a mansion, He has built for me in glory
And I heard about the streets of gold, beyond the crystal sea
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story
And some sweet day I’ll sing up there the song of victory

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.

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

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

Philippians 4:7

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Unison Response:

Christ has died!

Christ has risen!

Christ will come again!!!

Choral Response

Tri-fold Amen

CRPC FAMILY EVENTS

TODAY ...

- **This Morning @ 9:45:** Missionaries Leonard and Maritza Bullock, will be with us today to do a presentation of their mission work in Spain at 9:45 am in the adult Sunday School room. Please join us!
- **Fellowship and Snacks** follow our worship service
- **College and Career D-Group** at the Luchenbill's @ 7:00 pm

THIS WEEK ...

- **Wednesday Evening: The Boathouse @ 6:00.** The Boathouse is for youth from 7-12th grades. Fun! Food! Discipleship!
- **Wednesday Evening:** Destin LeBlanc will lead the final Bible study on Philemon. All adults in the congregation are welcome. We will meet at CRPC this Wednesday, August 17 at 7:00 pm.
- **Thursday Evening:** The Session will hold their regularly scheduled meeting at 6:30 at CRPC.
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Sunrise Bible Study @ 7:00**
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Bible Study at Brookdale @ 8:00**

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Sunday, September 11:** Sunday School resumes @ 9:15.
- **November 11 & 12:** Pictures for a Photo Directory will be taken.

FYI ...

- **Daily Devotionals** – Tabletalk magazine and Our Daily Bread booklets are available.
- **Updated Church and Missionary Directories** –Available at the Welcome Center.
- **Hospitality Ministry** – Would you like a great opportunity to serve the church? Providing snacks on Sunday morning is an important and valued ministry at CRPC. You may sign-up as a family, with a friend, individually or with someone you'd like to get to know better. Please sign-up at the coffee bar.
- **God's provision from August 7:**
General Fund Giving: **\$9,176**
YTD to General Fund: **\$174,862**
YTD Budgeted Needs: **\$148,615**

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

AUGUST MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Elder of the Month: David Reyes

Usher of the Month: Leopold Jean-Bart

Ushers: Bob Baker, Frank Kockler, Terry Schmucker, David Smith

Greeters: 14 - Don & Linda Paris
21 - Paul & Sheryl Bacheldor
28 - Tim & Jessica Holdener

Nursery: 14 - Baileigh Santos & Shirley Burkett
21 - Linda Paris & TBD
28 - Amber May & TBD

Snacks: 14 - Al & Donna Luchenbill
21 - David Holdener, Tim Holdener
28 - TBD

Counters: 14 - Ken Harrison & Mike Sakko
21 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter
28 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter

Communion: Betty Jones & Ginger Andersen

Birthdays

8/17	Philip Baier	8/26	Leah Jostes
8/20	Gabrielle Jean-Bart	8/27	Kwame Fening
8/21	Walita Van Baren	8/27	Tom Knisley
8/22	David Holdener	8/29	Valerie Jean-Bart
8/24	Rosemond Fening	8/29	Betty Parmerter

Anniversaries

8/15 Paul & Sheryl Bacheldor
8/21 Ken & Janice Harrison

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