



**Cypress Ridge PCA**  
March 26th, 2017



# 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](http://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](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.

**About the cover:** *Zacchaeus in the Sycamore Awaiting the Passage of Jesus*, by James Tissot, 1886-1896. Opaque watercolor over graphite on gray wove paper, Brooklyn Museum

## **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)*

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### **Announcements**

### **Reflection on Worship**

*When you live in the light of eternity, your values change.  
– Rick Warren*

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 117:1-2

**Leader:** Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

**Response:** For great is his steadfast love toward us

**Leader:** And the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

**Response:** Praise the LORD!

## **All Creatures of Our God and King**

*Text by St. Francis of Assisi; Music by Geistliche Kirchengesange, Cologne, 1623*

All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Oh, praise Him, Alleluia  
Thou burning sun with golden beam  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam  
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along  
Oh, praise Him, Alleluia  
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice  
Ye lights of evening find a voice  
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
Oh, praise Him, Alleluia  
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One  
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## **Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

*Words and Music by Robert Robinson, John Wyeth*

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing; call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet; sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise His name, I'm fixed upon it; name of God's redeeming love

Hither to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place  
And I know Thy hand will bring me; safely home by Thy good grace  
Jesus sought me when a stranger; wandering from the fold of God  
He, to rescue me from danger; bought me with His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor; daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter; bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above

### **Prayer for Children**

[Children ages 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.*

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**Sermon Text** (Pew Bible p. 878)

Luke 19:1-10

<sup>1</sup> He entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. <sup>3</sup> And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. <sup>4</sup> So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way.

<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today."

<sup>6</sup> So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully.

<sup>7</sup> And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner."

<sup>8</sup> And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold."

<sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

**Sermon**

Pastor Tom Luchenbill

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**Wonderful, Merciful Savior**

*Authors: Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse*

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb could  
Rescue the souls of men; oh, You rescue the souls of me

*You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace, our hearts always hunger for  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper; Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
Hopelessly lost the way; oh, we hopelessly lost the way

*Chorus*

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us; falling before Your throne  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

*Chorus*

## 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.*

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### Confession of Sin

Acts 3:18-20a

**Leader:** But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Let us now seek forgiveness and refreshment in the Lord's presence.

**Unison:** Father, too often we are guilty of having a small spiritual focus because we get distracted by the world and our own desires. We confess our need for a heart change. Would your Holy Spirit transform us to become fully attentive to your mission in seeking and saving the lost? Give us a desire to see Jesus proclaimed to the people we meet where we live, work, and play. In Jesus' name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

### Assurance of Pardon

Luke 15:7; Colossians 1:13-14

**Leader:** Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

**Unison:** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## 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

Deuteronomy 16:17

**Leader:** Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you.

The ushers will now come forward to receive our tithes and offerings.

### Offering

## 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 **March Mission of the Month: The Mission.***

*The Mission is a non-profit serving the Winter Haven community.*

*Their number one priority is to share the good news of Jesus Christ.*

*They desire to give those in need a hand up, not a hand out.*

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### Congregational Prayer

Hebrews 4:16

**Leader:** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

### Elder Prayer

Elder David Reyes

## **Cornerstone**

*Authors: Edward Mute, Eric Lintero, Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan & William Bradbury*

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

*Christ alone, Cornerstone, weak made strong; in the Savior's love  
Through the storm; He is Lord, Lord of all*

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil

*Chorus*

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

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### 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!*

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### Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all...*both now and forevermore.*

### 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 ...

- **Sunday School** for all ages @ 9:15 am
- **Fellowship and Snacks** follow our worship service
- **Mission Basket Collection** located at the back of the sanctuary
- **Membership/Inquirers Class** following the worship service
- **Easter Choir** practice @ 5:30 pm
- **College & Career** at the Luchenbill's @ 7 pm

## THIS WEEK ...

- **Wednesday Evening: Worship Team Rehearsal @ 5 pm**
- **Wednesday Evening: Friends and Fellowship Dinner @ 6 pm & games @ 6:30 pm.** Bring your favorite board game, card game, etc.
- **Wednesday Evening: The Boathouse @ 6 pm.** The Boathouse is for youth from 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades. Fun! Food! Fellowship!
- **Wednesday Evening: Major Worldviews @ 6:45 pm**
- **Thursday Evening: Session Meeting @ 6:30 pm**
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Sunrise Bible Study @ 7 am**
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Bible Study at Brookdale @ 8 am**

## ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Membership/Inquirers Class** – The last class will be on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, @ 9:30 am, held at the Luchenbill's. Lunch will be provided.
- **Empowered to Connect Conference Simulcast**– Hosted at Cypress Ridge on April 7-8<sup>th</sup>. To find out more information and to register, visit:  
<https://empoweredtoconnectatcypressridge.eventbrite.com>
- **Easter Eggstravaganza** – April 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11 am
- **Piano Concert** – By returning guest and musician, Jonathan Reed. April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 4pm
- **Vacation Bible School** – June 12-16<sup>th</sup> from 9 am - 12 pm

## FYI ...

- **Easter Breakfast Sign-Up** – Is there anything better than celebrating our risen Lord? Everyone is invited to our Easter breakfast on April 16<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help provide food, a sign-up sheet is located at the back of the sanctuary.
- **Easter Candy Needed** – We have 500 Easter eggs to fill for our Eggstravaganza. Would you help us? If you need help choosing a candy, think *small* (has to fit in an egg), *wrapped*, and preferably *non-chocolate* (we have had melted candy in the past). Thank you!
- **Volunteers Needed** – Do you drive a car? Some of our seniors need friendly drivers to pick them up for church on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please talk to one of our deacons: Leopold Jean-Bart, Charles Burkett, and/or David Holdener.

- **Live Streaming** – If you can't join us in person on Sunday mornings, you can still worship with us via live streaming! If you have any questions, see Anna in the church office.
- **Nomination of Officers** – will start during the month of April. Please see pgs. 17-18 in the bulletin for more details.
- **Stay Connected** – If you would like to be added to the church email blast or phone tree, please contact Anna at the church office.
- **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.
- **Daily Devotionals** – Tabletalk magazine and Our Daily Bread booklets are available. Our Daily Bread is now provided in regular and large print edition.
- **Hospitality Ministry** – A great way to serve at CRPC is by providing snacks on Sunday morning. You may sign-up as a family, with a friend, individually or with someone you'd like to get to know better. The sign-up sheet is at the coffee bar.
- **God's provision from March 19:**

General Fund Giving:	<b>\$6,022</b>
YTD to General Fund:	<b>\$67,421</b>
YTD Budgeted Needs:	<b>\$66,297</b>

# **THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE**

## **MARCH 2017 MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Elder of the Month: Don Paris

Deacon/Usher of the Month: David Holdener

Ushers: Bob Baker, Paul Pletcher, Frank Kockler, Frantz Genisse

Greeters: 26 - Wayne & Renae Anderson

Nursery: 26 - Patty Smith & Lori/Baileigh

Children's 26 - Jessica Holdener & Violene Genisse  
Worship

Snacks: 26 - Don & Linda Paris

Counters: 26 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter

Communion: Charles & Shirley Burkett

### **Birthdays**

3/26 Mary Jones

3/27 Pam Cherkis

3/29 Leon Anderson

## **APRIL 2017 MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Elder of the Month: David Reyes

Deacon/Usher of the Month: Leopold Jean-Bart

Ushers: Don Copeland, Johnnie Brown, Destin LeBlanc, Tim Holdener

Greeters: 2 - Don & Linda Paris

9 - Joe & Vicki Johnston

16 - Frantz & Violene Genisse

23 - Philip & Jeanie Baier

30 - Mike & Sherry Sakko

Nursery: 2 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

9 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

16 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

23 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

30 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

Children's 2 - Mary Jones & Swan Lee  
Worship 9 - Anna Bacheldor & Karyne Jean-Bart  
16 - Jon Parmerter & Renae Anderson  
23 - Lynne Knisley & Faviola Genisse  
30 - Jeremy Reyes & Gabrielle Jean-Bart  
Snacks: 2 - Judy McGuire  
9 - Bruce & Linda Engstrom  
16 - Marilyn Smith  
23 - Gabrielle Jean-Bart  
30 - Kim Schmucker  
Counters: 2 - Mike Sakko & Ken Harrison  
9 - Mike Sakko & Ken Harrison  
16 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter  
23 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter  
30 - Charles Burkett & Jon Parmerter  
Communion: Don & Roxanne Copeland

### Birthdays

4/2 Albert Luchenbill  
4/4 Bob McKee  
4/5 Esther Mendez  
4/6 Angela Jennings  
4/9 Jim Fuday  
4/11 Ellen Thornton  
4/11 Frank Kockler  
4/13 Swan Lee  
4/15 David Luchenbill  
4/22 Dale Shafer  
4/23 Paul Pletcher  
4/26 Cindy Luchenbill  
4/26 David Smith  
4/30 José Del Valle

### Anniversaries

4/1 Terry & Kim Schmucker  
4/16 Wayne & Jackie Wheeler  
4/30 Matthew & Angela Jennings

## 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.

Below is the method for nominating/electing officers at CRPC:

**First**, the Session opens nominations. 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: 1 Timothy 3:1-13, Titus 1:5-9, 1 Peter 5:1-5, Acts 6:1-7.

**Second**, during the month of April, CRPC’s *members* are to approach men whom they believe meet the biblical qualifications to serve in one of the offices and seek their approval to nominate them. If the man (men) agrees, submit the Nominee Form to the Pastor, a Session Member, or a Diaconate member *with* the candidates’ signature.

**Third**, the names are presented to the Session. They will interview each candidate to determine readiness of the candidate to begin the training process. The training process includes teaching and training approved candidates in areas such as theology, evangelism, and congregational care.

**Fourth**, after the teaching and training is completed, the elders will examine candidates for readiness to serve according the PCA’s BOCO. Those ready to serve will be presented to the congregation. In November, the congregation votes on a motion to elect new officers.

### **1 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.*

### **Titus 1:5-9**

*This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you – if anyone is above reproach, the husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.*

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