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hate evil!

He preserves the lives
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the hand of the wicked.

PSALM 97:10

Cypress Ridge PCA

August 6, 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

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.

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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.

Prelude

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Announcements

Reflection on Worship

*Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- Psalm 100:3*

Call to Worship

Psalm 97:1, 6, 10, 12

Leader: The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

Response: The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

Leader: O you who love the Lord, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Response: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

Come People of the Risen King

Authors, Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

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

*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

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

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; all the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns, around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim, falling down before Thee
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be

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

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One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

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. 300)

1 Kings 18:17-40

¹⁷ When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, “Is it you, you troubler of Israel?”

¹⁸ And he answered, “I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the Lord and followed the Baals. ¹⁹ Now therefore send and gather all Israel to me at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table.”

²⁰ So Ahab sent to all the people of Israel and gathered the prophets together at Mount Carmel. ²¹ And Elijah came near to all the people and said, “How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him.” And the people did not answer him a word. ²² Then Elijah said to the people, “I, even I only, am left a prophet of the Lord, but Baal's prophets are 450 men. ²³ Let two bulls be given to us, and let them choose one bull for themselves and cut it in pieces and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. And I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood and put no fire to it. ²⁴ And you call upon the name of your god, and I will call upon the name of the Lord, and the God who answers by fire, he is God.” And all the people answered, “It is well spoken.”

²⁵ Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, “Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many, and call upon the name of your god, but put no fire to it.” ²⁶ And they took the bull that was given them, and they prepared it and called upon the name of Baal from morning until noon, saying, “O Baal, answer us!” But there was no voice, and no one answered. And they limped around the altar that they had made. ²⁷ And at noon Elijah mocked them, saying, “Cry aloud, for he is a god. Either he is musing, or he is relieving himself, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened.” ²⁸ And they cried aloud and cut themselves after their custom with swords and lances, until the blood gushed out upon them. ²⁹ And as midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the oblation, but there was no voice. No one answered; no one paid attention.

³⁰ Then Elijah said to all the people, “Come near to me.” And all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that had been thrown

down.³¹ Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord came, saying, “Israel shall be your name,”³² and with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord. And he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two seahs of seed.³³ And he put the wood in order and cut the bull in pieces and laid it on the wood. And he said, “Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood.”³⁴ And he said, “Do it a second time.” And they did it a second time. And he said, “Do it a third time.” And they did it a third time.³⁵ And the water ran around the altar and filled the trench also with water.³⁶ And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, “O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word.³⁷ Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back.”³⁸ Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.³⁹ And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, “The Lord, he is God; the Lord, he is God.”⁴⁰ And Elijah said to them, “Seize the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape.” And they seized them. And Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon and slaughtered them there.

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Words and Music by Martin Luther, 1529

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

And though this world with devils filled; should threaten to undo us
We will not fear, for God hath willed; His truth to triumph thru us
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

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

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

Jeremiah 1:16

Leader: I will pronounce My judgments on them concerning all their wickedness, whereby they have forsaken Me and have offered sacrifices to other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

We come before the throne of God confessing our sin with fear and trembling, yet pray in faith of our promised salvation through Jesus.

Unison: Almighty God, too often we allow ourselves to limp between two sets of worldviews: yours and the world's. We mix and match our moral compass depending on how we want to live instead of living in obedience to your Word. Pull back the curtain to our souls and convict us in the ways we stray from truth. We ask for your forgiveness and grace. We are so thankful that you are faithful in keeping your promises. Cause us to be faithful in following your Word. In Jesus' name. Amen.

[Silent Confession]

Assurance of Pardon

Psalms 103:10-12; Psalm 115:1

Leader: He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Unison: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

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

Galatians 6:9-10

Leader: And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

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 **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

Hebrews 10:23-25

Leader: Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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

Elder Prayer

Elder Paul Bachelдор

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

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

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

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

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

1 Timothy 1:17 (KJV)

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

Unison Response:

Christ has died!
Christ has risen!
Christ will come again!!!

Choral Response

Tri-fold Amen

CRPC FAMILY EVENTS

TODAY ...

- **Fellowship and Snacks** follow our worship service
- **College & Career @ 7 pm** at the Luchenbill's

THIS WEEK ...

- **Wednesday Evening: Boathouse Scavenger Hunt Downtown** – Meet at the central downtown fountain at 6 pm. Bring your own dinner. Your ride will need to pick you up downtown.
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Sunrise Bible Study @ 7 am**
- **Saturday Morning: Men's Bible Study at Brookdale @ 8 am**

ON THE HORIZON ...

- **Kidz Pool Party** – Friday, August 25th @ 6:15 pm at Marilyn Smith's house. Please bring a side to share, hotdogs provided. Please RSVP with Anna.
- **Baby Shower** - Ladies, come celebrate the upcoming birth of Finley Dale May with us Sunday, August 27, following the worship service. Amber & Jerrod are registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target (both registries available online or in-store).
- **Parent Preview Night** – Wednesday, August 30th. What is children's ministry all about? Details coming soon.

FYI ...

- **Elnora “Ellie” Shidler** – Barb Luchenbill’s mother, passed away on Sunday, July 23rd. We send our condolences to Barb and her family and continue to celebrate the eternal life Ellie has with the Lord.
- **Pat Moss** – is recovering from her recent surgery. No cancer has been found as of yet! Please continue to pray for Pat and her family as she heals. If you would like to help out by taking them a meal, you can sign up at takethemameal.com and search by using “moss” as both last name and password.
- **Live Streaming** – If you can’t join us in person on Sunday mornings, you can still worship with us via live streaming! Go to cypressridge-pca.org and click on the Live Streaming link.
- **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 July 30:**
General Fund Giving: **\$ 2,340**
YTD to General Fund: **\$168,159**
YTD Budgeted Needs: **\$171,266**

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

AUGUST 2017 MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Elder of the Month: David Reyes

Deacon/Usher of the Month: Leopold Jean-Bart

Ushers: Dave Smith, Bob Baker, Terry Schmucker, Frantz Genisse

Greeters: 6 - Dave & Kay Smith
 13 - Don & Linda Paris
 20 - Steve & Ellen Thornton
 27 - Tim & Jessica Holdener

Nursery: 6 - Marilyn Smith & Lori/Baileigh
13 - Kay Smith & Lori/Baileigh
20 - Kim Schmucker & Lori/Baileigh
27 - TBD & Lori/Baileigh

Children's

Worship: 6 - Mary Jones & Swan Lee
13 - Anna Bacheldor & Gabrielle Jean-Bart
20 - Jon Parmerter & Renae Anderson
27 - Lynne Knisley & Faviola Genisse

Snacks: 6 - Don & Linda Paris
13 - Kim Schmucker
20 - Betty Jones & Ginger Andersen
27 - Linda & Bruce Engstrom

Counters: 6 - Mike Sakko & Jon Parmerter
13 - Mike Sakko & Jon Parmerter
20 - Paul Pletcher & Ken Harrison
27 - Paul Pletcher & Ken Harrison

Communion: Kara Jostes & Sharon Miller

Birthdays

8/8 Keith Steverson	8/22 Pat Moss
8/11 Kara Jostes	8/24 Rosemond Fening
8/15 Mary Lou Shafer	8/26 Leah Jostes
8/17 Philip Baier	8/27 Kwame Fening
8/20 Farid Atallah	8/27 Tom Knisley
8/20 Gabrielle Jean-Bart	8/28 Brandon Richter
8/21 Walita Van Buren	8/29 Valerie Jean-Bart
8/22 David Holdener	8/29 Betty Parmerter

Anniversaries

8/7 Bob & Barb Luchenbill	8/21 Ken & Janice Harrison
8/7 Bob & Debbie McKee	8/22 Jim & Susie Fuday
8/8 Steve & Moira Thorn	8/23 Larry & Ginny Vander Zee
8/15 Paul & Sheryl Bacheldor	

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