Welcome to Crestholme Presbyterian Church Day of Pentecost June 5, 2022

At the *, please stand, if you are able.

Large Print Hymnals and Bibles, and Hearing Assist Devices, are available

Gather for Worship

PRELUDE "Come, Holy Ghost God and Lord"

F. Zachau

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SG728yqrVck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BELLS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Now To Your Table Spread" Choir https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvpFvOLz8Q8

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.

All: At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers.

LEADER: They were completely amazed. "How can this be?" they exclaimed. "These people are all from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!" They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean?" they asked each other.

All: 'In the last days,' God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams.

LEADER: everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved. (Acts 2:1-12, 17, 21, NIV)

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you are Consuming Fire. As we gather here today to praise you and lift up your name, let your light shine and dispel any darkness within our souls. Shine, Jesus, shine. Amen.

* OPENING HYMN "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" Blue Hymnal #460 https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=e5vLtzrM 4E

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, be merciful to us, for we are sinners. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News, because God is love, beloved, in Christ Jesus we are forgiven. Amen!

* GLORIA PATRI

Blue Hymnal #579

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-ZS4jUy2Dc

* SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: Peace be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: As God's forgiven people, share the peace of Christ with each other (from your

seat please).

CHILDREN'S TIME King of Kings

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uchgpA I-h4

Hear the Word of God

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

King of kings, as ruler over all, rule our hearts and minds and let your light shine within us to hear, see, and lovingly obey you. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 11:1-9

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+11%3A1-9&version=NIV

PSALM READING Psalm 104: 24-34

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+104%3A+24-34&version=NIV

CHORAL ANTHEM

"On Pentecost They Gathered"

Choir

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=raXbOrbtLuo

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:14-17

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A14-17&version=NIV

GOSPEL READING John 14:8-17

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+14%3A8-17&version=NIV

LEADER: The Word of the Lord **ALL: Thanks be to God**

SERMON "Marey Malek, King of Kings"

Dr. Carlos Baladez

1 Tim. 6:13-16

"In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the **King of kings** and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen."

Legacies. That time in a person's life when one thinks of leaving something behind for the next generation.

My parents had three children. My dad's sister once asked him, "Why are you buying all these properties since Jesus may return soon?" In reality, they were not any, just enough for all three of us. Yet, my dad's response was a mature one, "In case he delays, my children will have something to build on." And, because of his foresight, we did.

One particular year, my father and I were watching an old black and white movie. He was sitting next to me and at some point I decided to rest my head on his shoulder. As we sat there, I just told him, "You know what dad?" "Hmm," he responded, "I want to say 'thank you!" "For what?" "Because when you die, you are not leaving me a bunch of silver and gold but you are leaving me something much more valuable. You are leaving me, Jesus Christ." My daddy leaned to one side, took out his handkerchief from his back pocket, covered his face, and let out a huge cry. The cry was so intense it startled me. All of a sudden I found myself hugging and comforting my dad. Finally, the day came when his questioning son assured him of his faith in Jesus Christ. He no longer had to worry. He could go in peace any day the Lord decided to take him home. Little did I know that in a few months my dad would be gone. To this day I still have my daddy's and my momma's bibles. Together, they are my most precious possessions.

Today's passage is contained in 1st Timothy. It is the first letter addressed to him by the Apostle Paul. Paul knows he is getting older and approaching the end of his ministry and life. He is thinking of the future and his thoughts are turned in the direction of Timothy. Paul considered Timothy his spiritual son, and like any good parent, arrangements needed to be made to leave a worthwhile and meaningful legacy.

The following quote is attributed to W. Hodding Carter II "A wise woman once said to me that there are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these she said is roots, the other, wings."*

I can't help but think Paul adhered to the same philosophy of life. When you come to think of it, it is quite difficult, if not impossible to fulfill both requirements of the above quote with one gift. Yet, Paul manages to do just this.

Look at today's central scripture; "In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen." (NIV).

Paul could not leave Timothy a greater legacy than one of the names of God, "Marey Malek, King of Kings." Timothy is given a gift that will outlast his very own life, "God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings." Knowing God by name brings you to a special place, time, and space. For as Daniel 11:32b lets us know, "the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits." (KJV)

Knowing God both roots you and gives you wings, all at the same time! With this gift, Paul both grounds Timothy to the truth and gives him wings to explore it by pointing him in the direction of who God is: King of kings! It is the perfect picture of a father counseling his child. Recalling a proverb or wise saying or better yet, a saying for the wise, remember, "A word to the wise is sufficient." No stick is needed for the wise, the carrot is more than sufficient.

Since Paul is approaching the end of his ministry and life, he wants to make sure his spiritual son, Timothy, will continue to share the good news of the grace of Jesus Christ. This good news tells us of the forgiveness of sins by grace available through Jesus Christ. It also includes the good news of the return of the prodigal son to a loving father who embraces his wayward son unconditionally. It is a beautiful picture of the embrace our Heavenly Father gives us when we return to our senses and return to the place we were meant to be; in our Heavenly Father's arms. This good news continues with the sharing of the kingdom of God among us and within us. This Gospel also expresses the mystery of our faith; "Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ is will come again."

In essence, Paul is telling Timothy, "God's name, 'God, Marey Malek, King of Kings' and his Word will root you. It will ground you, mature you, guide you, form Christ in you and protect you. And at the same time, it will provide you with wings to fly where the Spirit's wind takes you." Higher and higher. Further and further. Deeper and deeper.

Wider and wider. Exploring the dimension of God's love in his greatness. For he is the highest and most powerful King over all. Our God reigns!

Therefore, pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Fight the good fight of our faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. For, in Christ, the King of kings is revealed and we are in Christ by grace!

This truth grounds us too and gives us wings to fly. What a legacy, indeed!

Amen. To God be all the glory and honor forevermore. Hallelujah!

* HYMN "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Blue Hymnal #398

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i73PZJugjTk

Respond in Love and Service

* This we believe

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Amen.

PRAYERS AND HYMN OF INTERCESSION

Please offer prayers on behalf of our world, nation, city, neighborhoods, friends, military, political leaders, and families. Amen.

*HYMN FOR OUR NATION "Heal Our Land" Red Hymnal #800 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTm rA54EGw

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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CPC PO Box 23919. SA TX 78223-0901

Or you can save them and gather them until we meet again. Thank you!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uyg6-htOtHU

Blue Hymnal # 592

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* DOXOLOGY

Unto you O Lord, unto you alone we offer ourselves and these gifts which proceed from you. Thank you for your faithfulness. In Jesus' name, amen.

*COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table *Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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 forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Words of Institution

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you Abba Father, broke the bread gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Sharing of the Elements

The body of Christ, given for you. Amen (Take the bread and eat) The blood of Christ, given for you. Amen (Drink the cup)

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" Blue Hymnal #505 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Axa8A5kmrHU

* BENEDICTION

The King of kings accompanies you where ever you go. Therefore, go in the victory of Jesus Christ and bless all you encounter. You, child, of God are loved and valued. Remember, The Grace of the Son, the love of the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit blesses you. Amen.

The End of this Worship Meeting — The Beginning of Service

Next Sunday, Elder, Fred Archer will be leading worship. Welcome Fred!

Weekly Calendar

TBDTBDFood PantryTBDTBDClothes ClosetSunday10:00 AMSunday SchoolSunday11:00 AMWorship Service

Holy Communion is observed the First Sunday of each month.

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