# Welcome to Crestholme Presbyterian Church 7th Sunday after Pentecost July 24, 2022

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

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

## **Gather for Worship**

PRELUDE: "Voluntary in C" Handel

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

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THE BELLS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "All People That On Earth Do Dwell" Choir <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mc4gEC2lInU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mc4gEC2lInU</a>

#### **RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: You, LORD, showed favor to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins. You set aside all your wrath and turned from your fierce anger.

**All:** Restore us again, God our Savior, and put away your displeasure toward us. Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger through all generations? Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your unfailing love, LORD, and grant us your salvation.

LEADER: I will listen to what God the LORD says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—but let them not turn to folly. Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

**All:** Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps. (Ps. 85, NIV)

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

We will praise you, LORD, with all our hearts; before the "gods" we will sing your praise. We will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame. When we called, you answered us; you greatly emboldened us. May all the kings of the earth praise you, LORD, when they hear what you have decreed. May they

sing of the ways of the LORD, for the glory of the LORD is great. Amen. (Based on Ps. 138:1-5, NIV)

\* OPENING HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Blue Bk #466
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nx0rCabJ16c

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Glory and might, forgive us when we fail to praise you with all of our hearts and fail to sing your praise. Forgive us when we do not bow down towards and praise your name. Forgive us when we fail to remember your unfailing love and your faithfulness. Forgive us when we forget the many times you answered our prayers and you greatly emboldened us. We repent of our sins and our forgetfulness. Grant us forgiveness and a heartfelt memory to remember you, your great deeds, and your faithfulness to all generations. We ask in the Name of Jesus, Amen.

#### **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

Beloved, hear the Good News, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen!

#### \* GLORIA PATRI

Blue Hymnal #579

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

# **CHILDREN'S TIME How Majestic Is Your Name**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XQ5e0Uhqh4

#### \* 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).

#### **Hear the Word of God**

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Though you O Lord are exalted, you look kindly on the lowly; though lofty, you see us from afar. Though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve our lives. You stretch out your hand against the anger of our foes and with your right hand, you save us. The Lord will vindicate us; your love, Lord, endures forever—do not abandon the works of your hands. Therefore Lord, illuminate our hearts, minds, souls, and bodies to hear and lovingly obey your Word in the Strength of your Holy Spirit. Amen. (Based on Ps. 138:6-8, NIV)

#### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**Ephesians 3** 

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians%203&version=NIV

Choir

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9VFXe4-X5ns

#### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**Ephesians 4** 

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+4&version=NIV

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

## SERMON "Naddir Kavod, Majestic Glory" Dr. Carlos Baladez Psalm 24:7,10

"Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in... Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty— he is the King of glory." (NIV)

Diamonds are a girl's best friend. And guys? Dogs! What a difference.

The majesty of the Hope Diamond is not only its size, 45.52 carats, but its blue color. It is said that it burns a strong red color for a few seconds after it is exposed to UV light. There are 16 white diamonds, both pear-shapes and cushion cuts surrounding the Hope Diamond in its pendant. Its estimated value is \$400 million dollars. It now sits at the Smithsonian Institution where many can see it firsthand (Wikipedia)

The majesty of Queen Elizabeth II's crown, the Imperial State Crown, lies in its historical value as well as in its craftsmanship along with its precious jewels; 2,868 diamonds, 273 pearls, 17 sapphires, 11 emeralds, and 5 rubies. It is made of gold, silver, and platinum and capped in velvet trimmed with ermine. Its estimated value is 3-5 billion pounds! (Google search)

The majesty of the Milky Way galaxy is on a whole different level. It consists of billions of stars, gas, and dust. They are tied together by dark matter and mutual gravitational attraction. Its diameter is about 100,000 light-years across. To give you a mind-boggling idea, a light year is almost 6 trillion (6,000,000,000,000) miles! (Google search) Now multiply that number times 100,000 and you get a ginormous number with a whole lot of zeros behind it! And it is within this marvelous majestic cosmic body where our beautiful blue marble floats.

As awe-inspiring as the above three examples have been, "you ain't seen nothing yet!" (Yes, I know. My apologies to all the English teachers of the world, haha).

Here's a question to contemplate, "Whose majesty is like our God's?" Whose glory can compare to our God's? Who can bring everything seen and unseen out of nothing? Who can form humanity out of dust and a man's rib? Who can bring a family through a flood unharmed? Who can call a man out of Mesopotamia and make a nation out of him?

Who can bring out a nation of slaves while plundering their enslavers? Who can deliver a nation through the elements of nature? Who can birth The Savior of the cosmos through a virgin? Who can bring life out of death? And who can deliver you from the bondage of sin and make you into a saint and a member of the body of Jesus Christ forever? Only our God, the one and only God of Majesty, Splendor and Glory! That's who! Is it any wonder what the Psalmist said, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters. Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob. Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty—he is the King of glory." (Ps. 24, NIV)

Rest. Breath. Bend the knee. Bow the head. Quiet the spirit, and worship Naddir Kavod, Majestic Glory. And be overwhelmingly awed and secure, because our God, The Lord Almighty, is Majestic Glory who reigns forever, amen.

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

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-3yS84jIH8

Blue Hymnal #179

## **Respond in Love and Service**

"God Is My Strong Salvation"

#### \* This we believe

\* HYMN

In Christ, all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ, we have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him, we were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Our whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when we were circumcised by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which we were also raised with him through our faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. When we were dead in our sins and in the uncircumcision of our flesh, God made us alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. Hallelujah, amen! (Based on Col.2-15, NIV)

#### PRAYERS AND HYMN OF INTERCESSION

Lord, for the sake of your Holy Name, **Hear our prayers.** 

Lord, in your loving mercy, **Hear our prayers.** 

Lord, because of what Christ Jesus accomplished on the Cross of Calvary, **Hear our prayers.** 

Lord, because of your unending love, **Hear our prayers.** 

Lord, we pray for this world, your creation. We pray for the flora and the fauna. We prayer for the peace of Jerusalem and the rest of the world. Lord, we pray for our military, their families, our government and its leaders and the leaders of the rest of the world. We pray for our families, our first responders, our educators, our businessmen, and the wellbeing of the cosmos.

Lord, in the love of Christ, **Hear our prayers. Amen.** 

\*HYMN FOR OUR NATION "Heal Our Land" Red Hymnal #800

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTm\_rA54EGw

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* DOXOLOGY

"Our Father which 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"

THE CHORAL AMEN Choir

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f9NnPRG9RZY

#### PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please, continue to support the life and work of Crestholme. You can mail your tithes, pledges, and offerings to...

CPC PO Box 23919. SA TX 78223-0901

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

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https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=Uvg6-htOtHU

Blue Hymnal # 592

#### \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord God of all Overflowing Abundance, we have asked and it has been given to us; we have sought and we have found; we have knocked and the door has been opened to us. And since we have asked and received we bring ourselves and the fruit of our labor unto the, recognizing that all good things come from you. Bless. Take. Break. And multiply for thy kingdom's use and sake. Amen.

\* CLOSING HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Blue Hymnal #281 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K5uwi04ttjA

#### \* BENEDICTION

Crestholme, The Lord watches over you— the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. Therefore, go in His love, and in His mercy, and in His Grace, and give freely the Good News as they have freely been given to you. Amen! (Based on Ps. 121:5-8, NIV)

#### \* POSTLUDE

The End of this Worship Meeting — The Beginning of Service Next Sunday, Dr. Baladez will continue with our sermon series, "Knowing God by Name."

**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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# **Crestholme Presbyterian Church Officers Session**

Class of 2022Class of 2023Class of 2024Irene ThomasKatie LambNetsy Williamson

**Steve Tovar** 

Clerk of the Session: Dick Crist Church Treasurer: Fred Archer

**Trustees** 

Class of 2022Class of 2023Class of 2024Fred ArcherTommy RudwickPenny Christoff

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### **Crestholme Presbyterian Church Staff**

Stated Supply Minister Vacant

Pulpit Supply Preachers Dr. Carlos Baladez

**Elder Fred Archer Robin Bernhard** 

Choir Director Robin Bernhard Organist Cathie Owen

Secretary/Coordinator Vacant

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Membership in the Presbyterian Church is open to those who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Every member and officer will be more than happy to visit with you about salvation by faith in Jesus and membership at Crestholme.

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