

APRIL 29, 2018



**Welcome to People's Community Church
All Are Welcome Here!**

One Church One Family One Community
ENTER TO WORSHIP

*Whoever you are, you are welcome here. This is the Father's house
where people of every race and station are at home.*

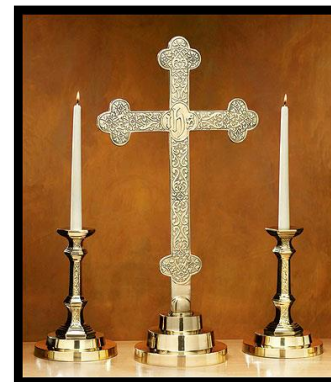
PRELUDE



ANNOUNCEMENTS:



LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES:



***GREETING: Deuteronomy 32:9-11 page 148**

9 For the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance.

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10 In a desert land he found him, in a barren and howling waste. He shielded him and cared for him;

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he guarded him as the apple of
his eye, ¹¹ like an eagle that stirs
up its nest and hovers over its
young,

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that spreads its wings to catch
them and carries them aloft.

***SILENT ADORATION**

***PRAISE – WORSHIP**

Smith-Kirk Family

**Scripture
Prayer**

Fifth Sunday Musical Group



***SCRIPTURES:**

**1 Peter 2:4-12*

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***Exodus 18:13-27*

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(Scriptures follow)

The Living Stone and a Chosen People

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house^[a] to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.”^[b]

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⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”^[c] ⁸ and, “A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.”^[d] They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Living Godly Lives in a Pagan Society

¹¹ Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

*****Exodus 19: 1-13***

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At Mount Sinai

¹ On the first day of the third month after the Israelites left Egypt—on that very day—they came to the Desert of Sinai.

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² After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain.

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³ Then Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel:

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4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.

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5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession.

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Although the whole earth is mine, 'you⁶_[a] will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites."

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⁷ So Moses went back and summoned the elders of the people and set before them all the words the LORD had commanded him to speak.

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⁸ The people all responded together, “We will do everything the LORD has said.” So Moses brought their answer back to the LORD.

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9 The LORD said to Moses, “I am going to come to you in a dense cloud, so that the people will hear me speaking with you and will always put their trust in you.”

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Then Moses told the LORD what the people had said.

¹⁰ And the LORD said to Moses,
“Go to the people and
consecrate them today and
tomorrow.

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Have them wash their clothes
11 and be ready by the third day,
because on that day the LORD
will come down on Mount Sinai in
the sight of all the people.

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12 Put limits for the people around the mountain and tell them, 'Be careful that you do not approach the mountain or touch the foot of it.

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Whoever touches the mountain is to be put to death. ¹³ They are to be stoned or shot with arrows; not a hand is to be laid on them.

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No person or animal shall be permitted to live.' Only when the ram's horn sounds a long blast may they approach the mountain."

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***HYMN OF PREPARATION: #300 Holy Ground**



Sermon Title: “Motivations for Obeying God”

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the

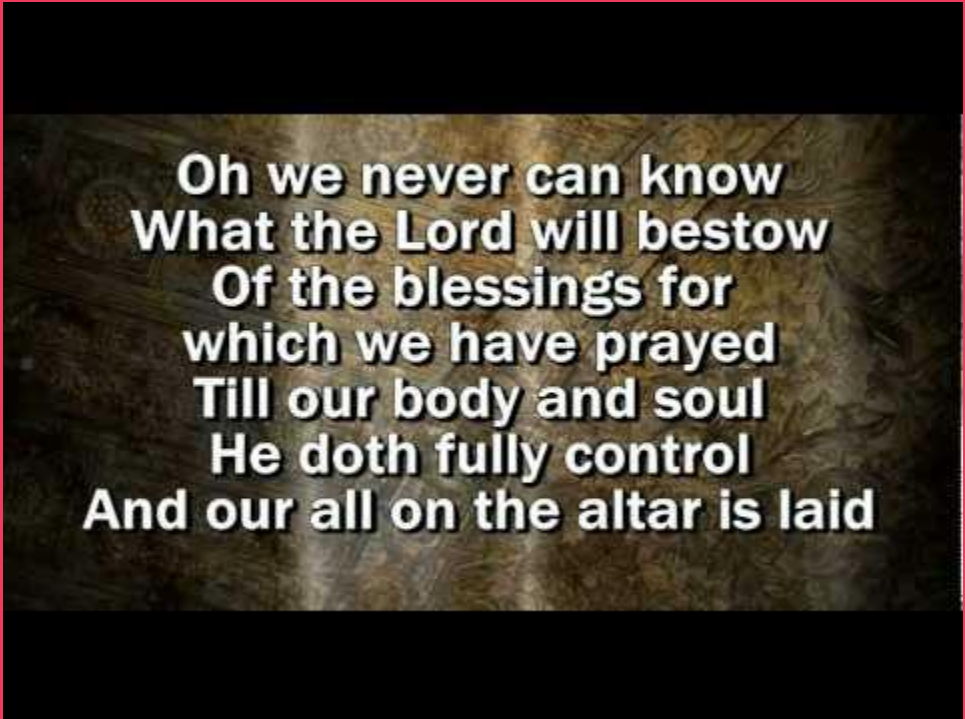


earth is Mine.

-Exodus 19:5

***INVITATIONAL HYMN:
#220 IS YOUR ALL ON THE ALTAR?**

***If you would like to become a member of People's Community Church, or would like to be baptized, we invite you to walk to the front of the Sanctuary during the singing of the Invitational Hymn.**



**Oh we never can know
What the Lord will bestow
Of the blessings for
which we have prayed
Till our body and soul
He doth fully control
And our all on the altar is laid**

TITHES AND OFFERING

(Offering envelopes are available
in seat pockets)



*OFFERTORY –

*All things come of Thee, O Lord and of Thine own,
have we given Thee. Amen.*

***ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS**



***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor: *"May the peace of Christ Jesus be with each of you."*

CONGREGATION: *"And also with you."*

***CLOSING HYMN:**
#298 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

***BENEDICTION:**