

## *The Order for the Worship of God*

May 16, 2021  
11:00 a.m.

*“To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”* (Revelation 1:5b-6)

Welcome and Announcements (Please turn your cell phone to “silent” mode.)

The Prelude *Deborah Davis*

Call to Worship: (from Psalm 53)

PASTOR: The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, doing abominable iniquity; there is none who does good. God looks down from heaven on the children of man to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.

**ALL: Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When God restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

\*Hymn 167 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

\*A Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison)

**Almighty God, while many in this world do not acknowledge you as their Creator, much less their Sustainer and Savior, we rejoice that in your great mercy you have drawn us to yourself. You sent the Redeemer, Jesus, to seek and to save us from ourselves and deliver us from the just judgment due those who live their lives in denial of you. We lift up joyful hearts and voices in praise and thanks for including us in the company of those whose fortunes you have restored, by grace through faith alone in your sinless Son. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism (Q and A #84)

Pastor: How does preaching the gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

**All: According to the command of Christ: The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of what Christ has done, truly forgives all their sins. The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the anger of God and eternal condemnation rest on them. God’s judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.**

\*Songbook 7 *Come All Christians Be Committed*

Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World Ruling Elder John Rowe

Scripture Lesson

Mark 6:1-13

Sermon on Mark #19

*Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman*

Please read and reflect upon the following prayer and then spend a few moments in prayer.

Heavenly Father, we admit to you today that we often live as though we were still dead in our trespasses and sins. You have made us alive in Christ and given us your Holy Spirit, yet our slowly maturing souls dwell in sinful bodies, and we continue to indulge the desires of our flesh in countless ways: with food, drink, and entertainment. You have told us that we are weak and that our hearts are deceitful and desperately wicked. Thank you that our salvation and sanctification are in your hands. You are both the author and perfecter of our faith, and though our remaining sin often shocks us, you are never surprised by it and you will use it to show us how much we need you. Grant us the grace of true repentance. Draw us afresh to the cross to find cleansing, healing, and great joy in our salvation. Let your voice of sovereign grace drown out the dissonant shouts of unbelief from the unbelieving world, and the faith-denying voices of shame and accusation from within. In great peace and in great sorrow, may we grow in faith, in obedience, and in worship before you. Help us to love you more and to long with confidence and hope for the day of Christ’s return. In his name we pray, amen.

\*Hymn 691 *It Is Well with My Soul*

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Congregation Stands. (Please feel free to be seated at any time.)

**WELCOME TO ALL** who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. **We warmly welcome Ridge Haven summer staff today!**

**TODAY’S SCHEDULE: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: 9:45 – 10:30 a.m.** Rev Cameron Anderson is teaching today from the New Testament Epistle of 1 Thessalonians this morning in the Fellowship Hall. **CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45 a.m.** in room #3.

**PRAYER TIME: 10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.** An elder will be in the library to pray with and for church members.

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP WITH AFTER-CHURCH LUNCHESES** (see sheets on communion table).

**DR. SILMAN’S SERMONS** are aired one week later at 8:00 a.m. on WSQL Radio (1240 AM or 102.1 FM or may be accessed online at [www.wsql.info](http://www.wsql.info)) at the same time each Sunday. The sermons will be emailed on Saturday as well as being available on the church website.

## WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find: May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Or fades my earthly bliss! My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Be this th'eternal song, through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

## COME ALL CHRISTIANS BE COMMITTED

Come all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord. Make your lives for him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord. Come into his courts with gladness, each his sacred vows renew. Turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give him, they are gifts from God above, to be used by Christians freely, to proclaim his wondrous love. Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and offerings with you bring. In your work, with him find favor, and with joy his praises sing.

Come in praise and adoration all who on Christ's name believe. Worship him with consecration, grace and love will you receive. For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the Word. And repeat the Gospel story, till the world his name has heard.

## IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say: "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain: It is well (it is well), with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – O the bliss of this glorious thought! – my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (Refrain)

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so" – it is well with my soul (Refrain)

*...built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,  
Christ Jesus Himself being the chief cornerstone. Ephesians 2:20*



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### OUR VISION

Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is a vibrant and unified community of Christians and their covenant children whose sole desire is to glorify God in everything. Because God's grace has won our affections we are wholeheartedly committed to the following: the absolute authority of the Bible because it is the very Word of God; enthusiastic and biblical worship; deeds of mercy and sacrificial service; earnest prayer; deepening relationships with one another; and joyful, intentional proclamation of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ to all the world beginning in Brevard. We warmly welcome as members all who trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation and fully share our vision.

### OUR MISSION

The mission of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is to glorify the triune God by exalting Him and by edifying and equipping our members to share the gospel with everyone in both word and deed beginning in Brevard and to the ends of the earth.