The Order for the Worship of God

May 7, 2023 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. Thank you!)

Prelude Tim Browning

Call to Worship from Psalm 95

PASTOR: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

ALL: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker, for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

*Hymn #119

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

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Faithful heavenly Father, you are a covenant-keeping God, but we have forsaken your law and violated your statutes. We have not walked according to your rules or kept your commandments. Jesus, we thank you for always being faithful to us in all things, keeping covenant with your Father on our behalf. You, the sinless Servant, kept the law perfectly, you are the Rock of our salvation. You freely took our place in death, taking the wrath our sins deserve and thereby satisfying divine justice. The empty tomb proclaims God's faithfulness to you, and to us who are united to you by grace. By faith we behold you, crowned with glory and honor, seated on an everlasting throne at the right hand of the Father. Come, by your Spirit, and strengthen our faith by your Word and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Amen.

*Songbook # 35

My Heart Is Filled

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Morning Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

John Rowe

Scripture Lesson

Joshua 23:1-16

Sermon Series on Joshua #14

Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

For all true followers of Christ, obedience is never peripheral. At the heart of what it means to be a disciple of our Lord is living in loving devotion to God. But if such love is real, the acid test is obedience. Jesus maintained, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Genuine love for Christ will always manifest itself in obedience. This does not mean that a Christian can ascend to sinless perfection. This will never be realized this side of glory. Neither does it imply that a believer will never disobey God again. Isolated acts of disobedience will still occur. But the new birth does give a new heart that desires to obey the Word. In regeneration, God says: And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. (Ezek. 36:26–27) Far from being optional, grace-fueled obedience is absolutely necessary for Christlikeness. Is there any need to pray about whether or not to obey God's Word? You just need to obey. (Steven Lawson, Tabletalk, November 25, 2015)

The Lord's Supper

Hymn #646

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

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Benediction

Postlude Tim Browning

*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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION – All baptized believers in Jesus Christ who are communing members in good standing of any evangelical church are invited to come forward to receive the sacrament.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES MEET AT 9:45 a.m. Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall and children in the west wing of the worship building.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP FOR TEENS meets today at 5:30 p.m.

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^{*}Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

I SING THE ALMIGHTY POWER OF GOD

I sing th'almighty pow'r of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at his command and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how your wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye, if I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below but makes your glories known; and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne; while all that borrows life from you is ever in your care, and everywhere that man can be, you, God, are present there.

MY HEART IS FILLED

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain; who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again; who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me with his light and wrote his law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who walks beside; who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly. Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take, sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above; whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love. For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King. So, I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.

JESUS, THOU JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of men, from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood, thou savest those who on thee call; to them that see thee thou art good, to them that find thee all in all.

We taste thee, O thou living bread, and long to feast upon thee still; we drink of thee, the fountain-head, and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright; chase the dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.

... 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.