

The Order for the Worship of God

May 28, 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 Judy Bailey

Call to Worship (to be read in unison) Psalm 23

ALL: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

*Hymn #87 *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* words printed on back

*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

Lord Jesus, you are my Great and Good Shepherd and I am your often wayward sheep. I am thankful for your ever-watchful care, protection and provision - for leading me day by day in paths of righteousness for your own name's sake. I thank you for being my only comfort in life and in death and that I belong to you, body and soul, forever. Thank you for fully paying for all my sins by your precious blood, and setting me free from the devil's tyranny. Thank you for assuring me that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head and, further, that all things must work together for my salvation. Thank you that because I belong to you, you assure me of eternal life and make me wholeheartedly willing and ready to live for You. You are worthy of my praise, obedience, and love. Amen.

*Songbook # 21 *In Christ Alone* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ's Church and the World Paul Sawyer

Scripture Lesson Philippians 4:8-9

Sermon Rev. Mr. J.R. Foster

Silent reflection and prayer

"If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." Colossians 3:1-2

"In our modern world where many people seek freedom from anxiety by trying to empty their minds, Paul teaches us that true peace can be ours only when our minds are properly filled." Sinclair Ferguson

"Have you realized that most of your unhappiness in life is due to the fact that you are listening to yourself instead of talking to yourself?" Martyn Lloyd-Jones

"Our thinking and our actions, then, are closely bound together. Indulging evil thoughts and tolerating sloppy thinking can have terrible consequences." Frank Thielman

*Hymn # 642 *Be Thou My Vision* words printed on back

Benediction

Postlude Judy Bailey

*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.

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.

WELCOME to Rev. Mr. JR Foster, Reformed University Ministries Area Director for South Carolina and Central and Western North Carolina. JR and his wife Elizabeth live in Greenville and are the parents of three children. JR previously served as a campus minister with RUF at both Florida State and Virginia Tech.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED after church next Sunday. Menu: sub sandwiches, chips, and cookies. Church members are asked to sign up for the lunch in the foyer and contribute \$5.00 per person to help defray the cost. Volunteers are needed to help. If you are able and willing, please notify Rebecca Hagedorn.

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THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by,

My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make within the path of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill, for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnish-ed in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me: and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song, this Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fulness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save; till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied. For ev'ry sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from his hand; till he returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

BE THOU MY VISION

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art – thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I need not nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

...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.