# The Order for the Worship of God

June 18, 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!)

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS: Sandra Hart, Christian Education Center of Excellence-Philippines

Prelude Tim Browning

Call to Worship from Psalm 46

PASTOR: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

ALL: Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea....

PASTOR: Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth!"

ALL: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

\*Hymn #92 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God words printed on back

\*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

Almighty God, you are our fortress, our strength and shield. You sent your son Jesus to offer himself for our sins and deliver us from this present evil age. We rejoice that you protect us throughout this life from the craft and schemes of the devil, and assure us that nothing can separate us from your love in this world or the next. Accept the worship we offer you on this your day. Send your Spirit sovereignly to work in our lives: bring us to repentance, renew our faith, that results in glad and prompt obedience. Amen.

Hymn #460 To God Be the Glory words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Paul Sawyer

Scripture Lesson Galatians 1:10-24

Sermon Series on Galatians #3 Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

"No one was ever saved other than by grace, from Abel to the present moment. Since mankind was banished from the east-ward Garden, none has ever returned to the divine favor except through the sheer goodness of God. And wherever grace found any man it was always by Jesus Christ. Grace indeed came by Jesus Christ, but it did not wait for His birth in the manger or His death on the cross before it became operative. Christ is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. The first man in human history to be reinstated in the fellowship of God came through faith in Christ.

In olden times men looked forward to Christ's redeeming work; in later times they gaze back upon it, but always they came and they come by grace, through faith. We must keep in mind also that the grace of God is infinite and eternal. As it had no beginning, so it can have no end, and being an attribute of God, it is as boundless as infinitude.

Instead of straining to comprehend this as a theological truth, it would be better and simpler to compare God's grace with our need. We can never know the enormity of our sin, neither is it necessary that we should. What we can know is that "where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.' (**Rom. 5:20**)"

—A.W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy: The Attributes of God* (San Francisco: HarperCollins, 1961/1978), 148-149.

\*Hymn # 460

Amazing Grace!

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Postlude

Tim Browning

Benediction

\*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.

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

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#### A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also, the body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, his kingdom is forever.

#### **AMAZING GRACE!**

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his Word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease, I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

#### TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

REFRAIN: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God, the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus, forgiveness receives. REFRAIN

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. 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.