

The Order for the Worship of God

July 2, 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 from Psalm 145

PASTOR: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

ALL: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

*Hymn #38 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* words printed on back

*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

Immortal, invisible, only wise God, you have flooded our souls with the splendor of your majestic mercy and grace. You loved us before time itself, imputed to us the perfect righteousness of your Son, and on that basis alone you fully accept us. By faith we trust in that which Jesus has done for us: obeying, dying, and rising again. Send your Spirit to work the objective truth of the gospel deep into our hearts. May our time together at the Table of our Lord be to us not only an object lesson of your love for us, but an intimate time of fellowship with the Lover of our souls, who has put us right with you. Amen.

Hymn #520 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World

Scripture Lesson Galatians 2:11-16

Sermon Series on Galatians #5 Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

The grace of God is rejected by modern liberalism. And the result is slavery—the slavery of the law, the wretched bondage by which man undertakes the impossible task of establishing his own righteousness as a ground of acceptance with God. It may seem strange at first sight that ‘liberalism,’ which the very name means freedom, should in reality be wretched slavery. But the phenomenon is not really so strange. Emancipation from the blessed will of God always involves bondage to some worse taskmaster. Thus, it may be said of the modern liberal Church, as of the Jerusalem of Paul’s day, that ‘she is in bondage with her children.’ God grant that she may turn again to the liberty of the gospel of Christ! The liberty of the gospel depends upon the gift of God by which the Christian life is begun—a gift which involves justification or the removal of the guilt of sin and the establishment of a right relation between the believer and God, and regeneration or the new birth, which makes of the Christian man a new creature. [J. Gresham Machen, Christianity and Liberalism]

“What I need first of all is not exhortation, but a gospel, not directions for saving myself but knowledge of how God has saved me. Have you any good news? That is the question that I ask of you. I know your exhortations will not help me. But if anything has been done to save me, will you not tell me the facts?”

[J. Gresham Machen, The Christian Faith in the Modern World]

The Lord’s Supper (see invitation and instructions below)

*Songbook #20 *How Deep the Father’s Love for Us* words printed on back

Postlude Judy Bailey

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION – All baptized believers in Jesus Christ who are communing members in good standing of any evangelical church are invited to partake. Please hold the bread until all have been served, at which time we will partake of the bread together; and the same for the cup.

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.

THE MEN’S MONTHLY LUNCHEON IS WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 at Noon. Please sign up today.

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IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unshaking and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

JESUS, THY BLOOD AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

Jesus, thy blood and righteousness my beauty are, my glorious dress; 'midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.

Bold, shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught to my charge shall lay? Fully absolved through these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

When from the dust of death, I rise to claim my mansion in the skies, ev'n then this shall be all my plea, Jesus hath lived, hath died for me.

Jesus, be endless praise to thee, whose boundless mercy hath for me – for me a full atonement made, an everlasting ransom paid.

O let the dead now hear thy voice; now bid thy banished ones rejoice; their beauty this, their glorious dress, Jesus, thy blood and righteousness.

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out amongst the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.

*...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.