

The Order for the Worship of God

August 6, 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 Psalm 100

PASTOR: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

ALL: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn #65 *Before Jehovah’s Awesome Throne* words printed on back

*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

Jehovah God, you have flooded our souls with the splendor of your incomparable mercy and grace. In love you chose us to be your own; sent Jesus from heaven to save us; and the Holy Spirit to sanctify us. We rest in the hope of salvation upon what Jesus has done for us: his obedience, death, and resurrection. Send your Spirit to work the truth of the gospel deep into our hearts. May our time together in your Word and at the Table result in our growth in grace, hope, love, joy and peace – and all for your glory! We give thanks for this day of worship and rest and pray in the name of Jesus, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

Songbook #46 *The Power of the Cross* words printed on back

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

Scripture Lesson Psalm 3

Sermon *Peace That Endureth* Rev. Alec Cotton

Silent reflection and prayer

In singing this (Psalm 3), and praying it over, we should possess ourselves with an apprehension of the danger we are in from the multitude and malice of our spiritual enemies, who seek the ruin of our souls by driving us from our God, and we should concern ourselves in the distresses and dangers of the church of God, encourage ourselves in our God, who owns and protects and will in due time crown his own interest both in the world and in the hearts of his people.... In singing this, and praying it over, we must own the satisfaction we have had in depending upon God and committing ourselves to him, and encourage ourselves, and one another to continue still hoping and quietly waiting for the salvation of the Lord. (Matthew Henry Commentary on the Whole Bible)

*PSALM 3 (From the Trinity Psalter – see insert – Hymn Tune: “Amazing Grace”)

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

*Hymn #32 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* words printed on back

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.

WELCOME TO ALEC COTTON, RUF campus minister at Appalachian State University. In June, Alec, his wife Riley and two children, Miles and Marlee, moved to Boone from Jacksonville, FL where he served as Youth Pastor of Christ Church Presbyterian. Alec is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and earned an M.Div. from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. The Cottons are expecting their third child in October.

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.

MEN’S STUDY – “THE COVENANTS” – Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m. MEN’S LUNCHEON at Noon. Please sign up in the foyer. Thanks!

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BEFORE JEHOVAH'S AWESOME THRONE

Before Jehovah's awesome throne, all nations, bow with sacred joy; know that the Lord is God alone, he can create, and he destroy – he can create, and he destroy.

Thy sovereign pow'r without our aid, made us of dust and formed us men, and when like wand'ring sheep we strayed, he brought us to his fold again – he brought us to his fold again.

We are his people, we his care, our souls and all our mortal frame; what lasting honors shall we rear, almighty Maker, to your name? – almighty Maker, to your name?

We'll crowd your gates with thankful songs, high as the heav'ns our voices raise; and earth with her ten thousand tongues, shall fill your courts with sounding praise – shall fill your courts with sounding praise.

Wide as the world is your command, vast as eternity your love, firm as a rock your truth must stand, when rolling years shall cease to move – when rolling years shall cease to move.

THE POWER OF THE CROSS

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood.

REFRAIN: This the pow'r of the cross, Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning your blood-stained brow. **REFRAIN**

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows his head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life. "Finished!" the vic'try cry. **REFRAIN**

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, for through your suff'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live won through your selfless love! This the pow'r of the cross. Son of God slain for us. What a love, what a cost we stand forgiven at the cross.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided – Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **REFRAIN**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside. **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.