

## *The Order for the Worship of God*

October 22, 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 exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

**ALL: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom... Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.**

\*Hymn #44 *How Great Thou Art* words printed on back

\*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

**Almighty God and heavenly Father – we lift up our hearts and voices in grateful praise. You are worthy to receive it, together with your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, who lived and died for us, who obeyed and fully paid our debt. We rejoice this day that Jesus, after his resurrection and ascension, promised to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify and enable us to die unto sin and live unto righteousness. For his sake, accept our worship as we pray in his name, Amen.**

Song *Great Is the Lord* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World

Scripture Lesson Galatians 4:19-31

Sermon Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

“It cannot be too strongly emphasized that everyone is a legalist at heart. Indeed, if anything, that is the more evident in antinomians.” – Sinclair B. Ferguson, The Whole Christ, p. 86

“Neither the Old Testament believer nor the Savior severed the law of God from His gracious person. It was not legalism for Jesus to do everything His Father commanded Him. Nor is it for us. The antinomian prodigal when awakened was tempted to legalism: ‘I will go and be a slave in my father’s house and thus perhaps gain grace in his eyes.’ But he was bathed in his father’s grace and set free to live as an obedient son. The legalistic older brother never tasted his father’s grace. Because of his legalism he had never been able to enjoy the privileges of the father’s house. Between them stood the father offering free grace to both, without prior qualifications in either. Had the older brother embraced his father, he would have found grace that would make every duty a delight and dissolve the hardness of his servile heart. Had that been the case, his once antinomian brother would surely have felt free to come out to him as his father had done, and say: ‘Isn’t the grace we have been shown and given simply amazing? Let us forevermore live in obedience to every wish of our gracious father!’ And arm in arm they could have gone in to dance at the party, sons and brothers together, a glorious testimony to the father’s love.” –Sinclair B. Ferguson, IBID, pp. 173-174.

\*Hymn #500 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* words printed on back

Benediction Judy Bailey

Postlude

\*Congregation Stands. (Please feel free to be seated at any time.)

**WELCOME TO ALL** and a warm greeting in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES MEET AT 9:45 a.m.** Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. Tom Osterhaus is currently teaching through the Book of Philippians.

**LADIES’ BIBLE STUDY** – *Even Better Than Eden* (DVDs by Nancy Guthrie) continues this Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** boxes and packing instructions are available in the foyer. Please return your gift boxes to the church no later than Sunday, **November 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**KEENAGERS’ CONFERENCE AT RIDGEHAVEN OCTOBER 23 – 27.** Rev. Joe Novenson is the featured conference speaker. Greg Hill will be the featured musician. Check out details on the Ridge Haven website: [ridgehaven.org](http://ridgehaven.org)

**AFTER CHURCH POT-LUCK LUNCHEON** – Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. Please bring a main dish (casserole), **and** either a salad or a dessert to share.

### **CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**Prayer Requests** may be sent to: [cornerstonenews@comporium.net](mailto:cornerstonenews@comporium.net)

## HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

**REFRAIN:** Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!  
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When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;  
**REFRAIN**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. **REFRAIN**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art. **REFRAIN.**

## GREAT IS THE LORD (by Michael W. Smith)

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just by His power we trust in His love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true by His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory; Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.  
Great is the Lord now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord  
Great is the Lord! [Repeat the refrain]

## ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed, be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow; all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling; naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne; Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

*...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.