

The Order for the Worship of God

October 29, 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 from Psalm 103

PASTOR: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

ALL: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

*Hymn #53 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* words printed on back
(stanzas 1-3 and 5)

*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

O Lord, Creator of heaven and earth, we bless your Name, for you alone are holy and righteous, all-glorious in splendor and majesty, perfect in power, love and purity. We praise you for the mercy you have shown us by sending Jesus to be our substitute in life and in death. We thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to convince us of our sin and misery, and then assuring us that we are your sons and daughters by grace through faith in Jesus. We declare your greatness this glad day with our songs of joy. Amen.

Song *Bless the Lord, O My Soul* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World Larry Martin

Scripture Lesson Galatians 5:1-6

Sermon on Galatians #17 Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

“Humans are very seldom either totally sincere or totally hypocritical. Their moods change, their motives are mixed, and they are often themselves quite mistaken as to what their motives are.” (C.S. Lewis, *Letters to an American Lady*, 28 March, 1961, para. 1, p. 97)

“The allegorical sense of her [Mary Magdalene] great action dawned on me the other day. The precious alabaster box which one must break over the Holy Feet is one’s heart. Easier said than done. And the contents become perfume only when it is broken. While they are safe inside, they are more like sewage. All very alarming.” (C.S. Lewis, *Letters to an American Lady*, 1 November, 1954, pp. 35-36)

[Senior devil Screwtape to junior devil Wormwood:] “The real trouble about the set your patient is living in is that it is merely Christian. They all have individual interests, of course, but the bond remains mere Christianity. What we want, if men become Christians at all is to keep them in the state of mind I call “Christianity And.” You know – Christianity and the Crisis, Christianity and the New Psychology, Christianity and the New Order, Christianity and Faith Healing ... Christianity and Vegetarianism... If they must be Christians, let them at least be Christians with a difference. Substitute for faith itself some Fashion with a Christian colouring. Work on their horror of the Same Old Thing.” (C.S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*, Letter XXV, para. 1, pp. 155-116)

*Hymn #691 *It Is Well with My Soul* words printed on back

Benediction

Postlude Tim Browning

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

WELCOME AND GREETINGS TO ALL 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.

AFTER CHURCH LUNCHEON TODAY IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY: “The New Covenant, part one” – Wednesday, 10:30 until Noon.

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

INQUIRERS’/NEWOMERS’ CLASSES – November 5, 12, and 19th during Sunday School in the Choir Room. The purpose of the class is to provide information about Cornerstone, its philosophy of ministry, its history, its beliefs, and help those who attend make an informed decision as to whether or not Cornerstone church membership is God’s will. **PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER!**

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PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again, gladly for e'er we adore him.

BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL (Andre Crouch)

**Bless the Lord, Oh my soul ... and all that is within me bless His holy name.
He has done great things ... He has done great things ... He has done great things
Bless His holy name.**

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say: "It is well, it is well with my soul."

REFRAIN: It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul) It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – O the bliss of this glorious thought! – my sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! REFRAIN

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so" – it is well with my soul.

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.