

The Order for the Worship of God

November 12, 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 5

PASTOR: Through the abundance of your steadfast love, we will enter your house. We will bow down toward your holy temple and worship you. Lead us, O Lord, in your righteousness ... make your way straight before us.

ALL: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy ... for you bless the righteous, O LORD, you cover them with favor as with a shield.

*Hymn #141 *God, in the Gospel of His Son* words printed on back
(stanzas 1, 3 and 4)

*Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

Eternal God, we praise and thank you for showing us the truth about ourselves, our need of a Savior, and by your Spirit drawing us to Jesus Christ, your sinless Son, who obeyed, died, rose again, and ascended for us to be seated on the throne at your right hand, as King of heaven and earth. We come boldly in his name to offer our worship in the full assurance of faith, as we eagerly wait for the certain hope of righteousness to be ours in heaven. Amen.

Songbook #49 *There is a Redeemer* words printed on back

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

Scripture Lesson Galatians 5:1-13

Sermon on Galatians #19 Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent reflection and prayer

“If we believe in nothing, if nothing has any meaning and if we can affirm no values whatsoever, then everything is possible and nothing has any importance.” **Albert Camus, The Rebel.**

It is nowhere written that “the good” exists, that one must be honest or must not lie, since we are now upon the plane where there are only men. Dostoevsky once wrote: “If God did not exist, everything would be permitted”; and that, for existentialism, is the starting point. Everything is indeed permitted if God does not exist, and man is in consequence forlorn, for he cannot find anything to depend upon either within or outside himself. He discovers forthwith, that he is without excuse.”

Jean-Paul Sartre, Existentialism Is a Humanism, 1946

The Jacobin could tell you not only the system he would rebel against, but (what was more important) the system he would *not* rebel against, the system he would trust. But the new rebel is a sceptic, and will not entirely trust anything. He has no loyalty; therefore, he can never be really a revolutionist. And the fact that he doubts everything really gets in his way when he wants to denounce anything. For all denunciation implies a certain moral doctrine of some kind; and the modern revolutionist doubts not only the institution he denounces, but the doctrine by which he denounces it. ... In short, the sceptic, is always engaged in undermining his own mines. ... Therefore, the modern man in revolt has become practically useless for all purposes of revolt. By rebelling against everything he has lost his right to rebel against anything.

G.K. Chesterton on the Rebel Skeptic (Orthodoxy, The Romans of Faith (John Lane Co. 1909, p. 73-74).

Make me a captive, Lord, and then I shall be free; force me to render up my sword, and I shall conqueror be. I sink in life’s alarms when by myself I stand; imprison me within thine arms, and strong shall be my hand.
George Matheson, 1890

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

Benediction

Postlude Judy Bailey

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

WELCOME AND GREETINGS TO ALL in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May the Lord by His Word and Spirit minister to you and may His people warmly welcome you who have come to worship Him in spirit and truth.

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.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY “The New Covenant, The Christ of the Covenants,” Wednesday, 10:30 – Noon.

INQUIRERS’/NEWCOMERS’ CLASSES continue this morning and next week during the Sunday School hour in classroom #6. The purpose of the classes 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 for them.

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GOD, IN THE GOSPEL OF HIS SON

God, in the gospel of his Son, makes his eternal counsels known; where love in all its glory shines, and truth is drawn in fairest lines.

The pris'ner here may break his chains; the weary rest from all his pains; the captive feel his bondage cease; the mourner find the way of peace.

Here faith reveals to mortal eyes a brighter world beyond the skies; here shines the light which guides our way from earth to realms of endless day.

THERE IS A REDEEMER

There is a Redeemer Jesus, God's own Son; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

REFRAIN: Thank you, O my Father, for giving us. Your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain. **REFRAIN**

When I stand in glory; I will see his face; there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. **REFRAIN**

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 ought 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.

*...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.