# The Order for the Worship of God

February 25, 2024 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 Isaiah 28, Ephesians 2 and 3

PASTOR: Therefore, thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.' ... So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in who the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.... Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us,

ALL: to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

\*Hymnal #342 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison)

Heavenly Father, we come boldly into your most holy presence because of the atoning blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, shed on the cross for our sins. By his death a new and lifegiving way has been opened for us into the Most Holy Place, through the curtain, which was torn from top to bottom. We rejoice that the barrier between us, caused by our sin, has been removed. We join together with the saints in glory to lift up our hearts and offer songs to you in praise of Christ, the Head and Cornerstone of the Church, of which by your grace through faith in him you have made us members. Amen.

\*Hymnal #353 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 6)

Morning Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Scripture Lesson John 19:23-27

Sermon Series on Words of Jesus from the Cross #3

Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent Reflection and Prayer

By father and mother, in the fifth commandment, are meant, not only natural parents, but all superiors in age and gifts; and especially such as, by God's ordinance, are over us in place of authority, whether in family, church, or commonwealth. Westminster Confession of Faith Larger Catechism (Q. & A.124)

A person's becoming human occurs within the home; here the foundation is laid for the forming of the future man and woman, of the future father and mother, of the future member of society, of the future citizen, of the future subject of the kingdom of God. (Herman Bayinck, The Christian Family, 108)

#### ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS BY THE CORNERSTONE SESSION

Members of the session please come forward to be seated on the front row together with the officers-elect to be ordained and/or installed.

\*Hymnal #347

The Church's One Foundation

Benediction

Postlude Judy Bailey

\*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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES MEET AT 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

COVERED-DISH LUNCHEON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP TODAY.

**BOOK STUDY FOR MEN** continues Wednesday, February 28th at 10:30 a.m. <u>Christianity & Liberalism</u> by J. Gresham Machen in the Fellowship Hall.

**DVD STUDY FOR WOMEN,** "Saints and Scoundrels" by Nancy Guthrie continues this Thursday, February 29th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Books may be purchased for \$12.

**BREAKING OF BREAD FELLOWSHIPS** meet monthly either for lunch, dinner, or just dessert. If interested in being part of a group, please sign up in the foyer and you will be contacted. If you have questions, please contact Connie Dorner: 828-885-2369 or cadorner@thedorners.com.

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#### **The Ordination Vows:**

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures, and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
- 4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder (John Decker) and deacon (Paul Gerchak) in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?

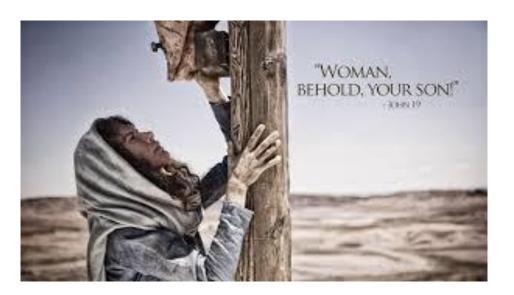
### **Question for the Church:**

Do you, the members of Cornerstone, acknowledge and receive these brothers as officers, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which his office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

Laying on of Hands by the Session followed by the Right Hand of Fellowship and Declaration of Installation and Ordination:

I now pronounce and declare that John Decker has been regularly elected and installed a ruling elder, and Paul Gerchak ordained and installed a deacon in this church, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America, and that as such they are entitled to all encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord; In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

... 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. 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.