The Order for the Worship of God

March 10, 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 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.

*Hymnal #65

Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne

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Almighty God and Heavenly Father, your Word tells us that the wages of sin is death, but your free gift is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. We confess that we have been deceived by sin's promise of pleasure and freedom, only to be enslaved; depleted and paid the wages of sin. We rejoice that you never take from us, but give us gifts we do not deserve. We enter your gates with thanksgiving and songs of praise. We, who are sinners by nature as well as by choice, have received grace upon grace in this life and the assurance of the same in the life to come because of the cross. Amen.

*Hymn #264

Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross

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Morning Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

John Rowe

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 28:46

Sermon Series on Words of Jesus from the Cross #5

Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent Reflection and Prayer

"Jesus, the Maker of the world, was [on the cross] being unmade. Why? Jesus was experiencing our judgment day. "My God, my God, why have. Your forsaken me?" it wasn't a rhetorical question. And the answer is: For you, for me, for us. Jesus was forsaken by God so that we would never have to be. The judgment that should have fallen on us fell instead on Jesus." – Timothy Keller, <u>King's Cross</u>, Dutton, 2011, New York, p. 202.

How ought the groans of Jesus to be as it were continually sounding in our ears? What are all other sufferings compared to His? And yet He endured them freely. He needed not to have borne them, if He would have left us to perish; but such was His love. He died that we might live, and endured the fiercest agonies that He might open to us the gate of everlasting peace and happiness. How amazingly perverse is my heart, that I can be more affected with a melancholy story in a newspaper concerning persons I never saw, than with all that I read of His bitter passion in the garden and on the cross, though I profess to believe He endured it all for me! ... May He give us an eager appetite, a hunger and thirst that will not be put off with anything short of the bread of life. And then we may confidently open our mouths wide, for He has promised to fill them." –John Newton, *The Works of John Newton*, *Volume 2* (Carlisle, PA: Banner of Truth, 1988), 2: 191-195.

*Songbook #251

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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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. Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall.

FINAL BOOK STUDY FOR MEN is Wednesday, March 13th at 10:30 a.m. <u>Christianity & Liberalism</u> by J. Gresham Machen in the Fellowship Hall. **Get your free PDF copy from monergism.com.**

LUNCHEON FOR MEN this Wednesday, March 13th at NOON. Please sign up in the foyer.

DVD STUDY FOR WOMEN "Saints and Scoundrels" by Nancy Guthrie continues this Thursday, March 14th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Books may be purchased for \$12.

BREAKING OF BREAD FELLOWSHIPS: Currently there are 4 groups. Those who have yet to sign up and are interested, please contact Connie Dorner: 828-885-2369 or cadorner@thedorners.com. The "leaders" or "conveners" have been selected and should be contacting their groups in the next few weeks.

THE AFTER-CHURCH LUNCH IN MARCH will be held on <u>Sunday, March 24th</u>, at 12:15 pm following the worship service. The church will provide spiral-cut ham and fried chicken for the entree that day, and the congregation is encouraged to bring a side dish, a salad, or a dessert.

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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^{*}Congregational Prayer to be prayed in unison by all

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.

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.

JESUS. KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS

Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, free to all a healing stream – flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

REFRAIN: In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever; till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring it scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. REFRAIN

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river. REFRAIN

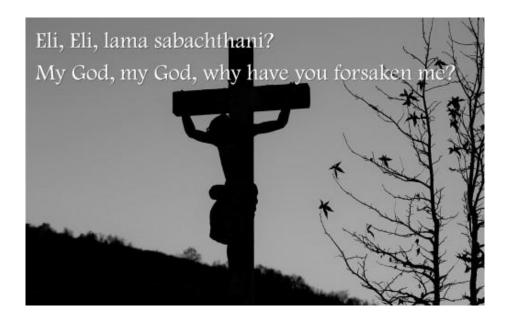
BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS

Beneath the cross of Jesus, I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land; a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noon-tide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see the very dying form of One who suffered there for me; and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders, I confess; the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow, for my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine that the sunshine of his face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss; my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

... 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.