

The Order for the Worship of God

May 25, 2025
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!)**

Piano Prelude Tim Browning

Call to Worship from Psalm 146

PASTOR: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them – the LORD, who remains faithful forever. He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous.

ALL: The LORD reigns forever! Praise the LORD!

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

Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison)

Sovereign Lord, we confess that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. Even so, we often doubt your lovingkindness, question your actions, and often complain that you are treating us unfairly. Father, forgive us! By your Word and Spirit strengthen our weak faith today; for we must enter your kingdom through many tribulations. Only those who share in the sufferings of Jesus will one day share in his glory. Like Job of old, may we by faith be able to say: “Though you slay me, I will hope in you” because “I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand up the earth ... whom I shall see for myself.” Amen.

*Hymn # 660 *O God beyond All Praising* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World

Scripture Lesson Selected verses from Job

Sermon Series on the Books of the Bible #17: Job Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent Reflection and Prayer

The authorship of Job, who likely lived during the era of the Patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (c. 2000 B.C.), is unknown. The book provides critical insight into the nature of suffering and the sovereignty of God and how Christians should respond to it in a way that glorifies their Creator and Sustainer. Job, whose story is likely the oldest recorded in the Bible, is a righteous man of faith. The author records a dialogue between Satan and God concerning Job. Satan claims Job believes only because God has greatly blessed him and, should God allow Satan to test his faith by taking away his wealth, family, and health – Job would demit the faith. God allows Satan to test Job, who proves Satan wrong; however, Job questions God demanding to know why he is suffering undeservedly. His friends insist God is punishing Job for personal sin; however, the Lord never tells Job why he has suffered. Out of the whirlwind God speaks to Job to remind him of his sovereignty and that much of his will and purposes are inscrutable (chaps. 38-41). Even though that answer is not what Job wants to hear, it is enough. Job bows to the wisdom of God even though he cannot fully comprehend his ways. Those who are wise not only fear the Lord, but trust in the sovereign goodness of God.

*Spiritual Song *Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul* words printed on back
Hymn Tune: FOUNTAIN

Benediction

Postlude Tim Browning

*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. **A special welcome to Ridge Haven Summer Staff!**

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEETS AT 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Children meet in classroom #3.

THE MONTHLY LUNCHEON will be held after the worship service today in the Fellowship Hall. **All are invited.**

NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR MAY– (TODAY) May 25th - Suzy Greene, Gail Grissom.
June 1st Denise Sawyer, Lou Vissers; 8th BK Decker, Amy Holman; 15th Joanna Martin, Rebecca Hagedorn; 22nd Karen McKee, Joan Pretorius; 29th Karen McKee, Marsha Elliott. **Ladies, please arrive in the nursery by 10:45, thank you.**

INQUIRERS’ CLASSES: Those interested in knowing more about communicant membership in Cornerstone PCA are invited to participate in three sessions to be held during the Sunday School hour (9:45 – 10:30 a.m.) on June 8, 15, and 22. **Please sign up in the foyer if interested.**

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 with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and he shed his own blood for my soul. REFRAIN

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

O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our King; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

DEAR REFUGE OF MY WEARY SOUL

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on Thee, when sorrows rise - on Thee, when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies. To Thee I tell each rising grief, for Thou alone canst heal. Thy Word can bring a sweet relief, for every pain I feel.

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail, I fear to call Thee mine. The springs of comfort seem to fail, and all my hopes decline. Yet gracious God, where shall I flee? Thou art my only trust and still my soul would cleave to Thee though prostrate in the dust.

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face, and shall I seek in vain? And can the ear of sovereign grace, be deaf when I complain? No still the ear of sovereign grace, attends the mourner's prayer. Oh, may I ever find access, to breathe my sorrows there.

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat. With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet. Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat with humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet.

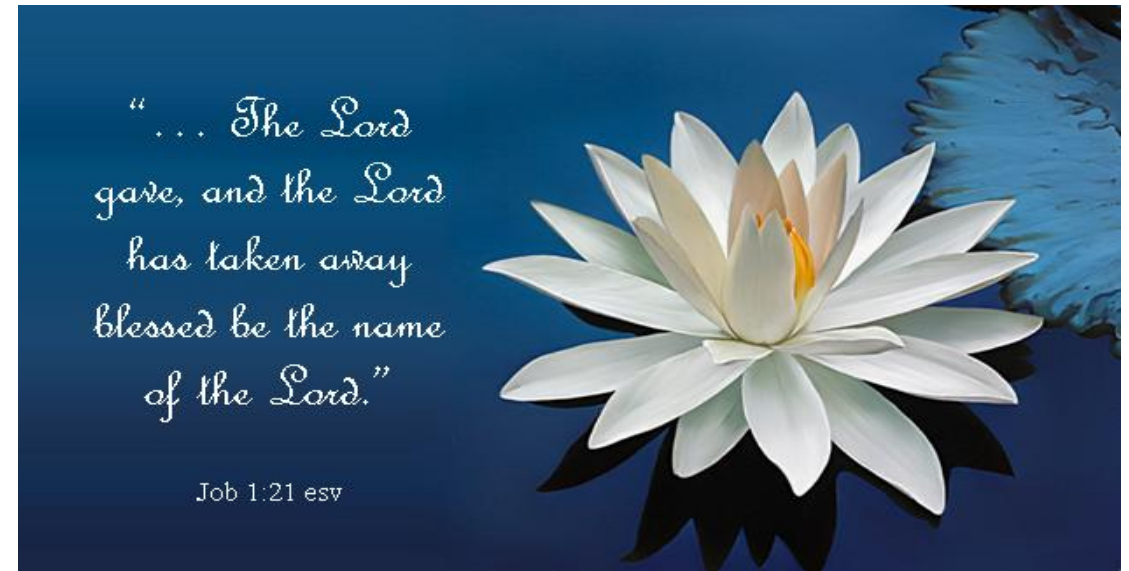
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*...built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Christ Jesus Himself being the chief cornerstone. Ephesians 2:20*



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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.