

The Order for the Worship of God

August 31, 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!)**

Prelude Judy Bailey

Call to Worship from 1 Timothy 1

PASTOR: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners....
ALL: To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Hymn #38 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* words printed on back

Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison)

Immortal God, you are the all-wise King who created and sustains all things by your wisdom. You have revealed your glory and majestic power in the world all around us. Your fingerprints in creation are unmistakable for all those with eyes to see. Your holiness and power are made evident in your providential care of all you have created. Lord Jesus, thank you for living a life of perfect obedience and acceptable worship for us. When you were tempted by the devil, you replied: “You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.” Thank you that your righteousness has been imputed to us by grace through faith. Holy Spirit, draw us ever closer to the cross of Christ. Show us every day that Christ has lived, died, and risen from the dead for us. Strip us of prideful self-trust, and continue the work you have begun in us until the day you take us home to heaven. In Jesus’ name, AMEN.

*Hymn #37 *All That I Am I Owe to Thee* words printed on back
(stanzas 1, 2 and 5)

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World John Rowe

Scripture Lesson Obadiah 1:1-21

Sermon Series on the Books of the Bible #30 Obadiah Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent Reflection and Prayer

Obadiah’s name, meaning “worshipper of Yahweh,” offers an interesting counterpoint to the message of judgment he pronounced on Edom, Judah’s neighbor to the southeast. As a worshipper of Yahweh, Obadiah placed himself in a position of humility before the Lord; he embraced his lowly place before the almighty God. That God sent a man named “worshipper of Yahweh” to the people of Edom was no mistake. Edom had been found guilty of pride before the Lord (Obadiah 1:3). They had thought themselves greater than they actually were; great enough to mock, steal from, and even harm God’s chosen people. But the “Lord GOD,” a name Obadiah used to stress God’s sovereign power over the nations, will not stand idly by and let His people suffer forever (1:1). Through Obadiah, God reminded Edom of their poor treatment of His people (1:12–14) and promised redemption, not to the Edomites but to the people of Judah (1:17–18). The nation of Edom, (descendants of Esau) which eventually disappeared into history, remains one of the prime examples of the truth found in Proverbs 16:18: “Pride goes before destruction, / And a haughty spirit before stumbling.”

Obadiah’s prophecy focuses on the destructive power of pride. It reminds us of the consequences of living in a self-serving manner, of following through on our own feelings and desires without considering their impact on those around us. Do you struggle to set aside your own wants and desires for those of God and others? Though such pride has been part of the lives of fallen human beings since the tragedy of the fall in Eden, Obadiah offers us a stark reminder to place ourselves under God’s authority, to subject our appetites to His purposes, and to find our hope in being His people when the restoration of all things comes.

*Hymn #49 *O Lord, Thou Judge of All the Earth* words printed on back
(stanzas 1, 2, 4 – 6) Hymn Tune: QUEBEC

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. **PLEASE SIGN, PASS THE FRIENDSHIP REGISTRATION BOOKS DOWN THE AISLE AND THEN PASS IT BACK. USE IT TO GREET ONE ANOTHER BY NAME!**

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

LADIES BIBLE STUDY begins its new series “Continuing in Acts” by Nancy Guthrie at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, **September 9th**, in the Fellowship Hall.

NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST– (TODAY) 31st Karen McKee, Amy Holman.
September 7th Gail Grissom, BK Decker; 14th Lou Vissers, Kathleen George; 21st Karen McKee, Nancy Davis; 28th Joanna Martin, Denise Sawyer.

AFTER CHURCH “POT PROVIDENCE” LUNCHEON TODAY.

THE LORD’S SUPPER WILL BE SERVED NEXT SUNDAY – September 7th.

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

ALL THAT I AM I OWE TO THEE

All that I am I owe to thee; thy wisdom, Lord, has fashioned me. I give my Maker thankful praise, whose wondrous works my soul amaze.

Ere into being I was brought, thine eye did see, and in thy thought my life in all its perfect plan was ordered ere my days began.

Search me, O God, my heart discern; try me, my inmost thought to learn and lead me, if in sin I stray, to choose the everlasting way.

O LORD, THOU JUDGE OF ALL THE EARTH

O Lord, thou Judge of all the earth to whom all vengeance doth belong, arise and show thy glory forth, requite the proud, condemn the wrong.

How long, O Lord, in boastful pride shall wicked men triumphant stand? How long shall they afflict thy saints and scorn thy wrath, thy dreadful hand?

The Lord will judge in righteousness, from him all truth and knowledge flow; the foolish thoughts of wicked men, how vain they are the Lord doth know.

That man is blest whom thou, O Lord, with chast'ning hand dost teach thy will, for in the day when sinners fall that man in peace abideth still.

Unless the Lord had been my help, my life had quickly passed away; but when my foot had almost slipped, O Lord, thy mercy was my stay.

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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.