

The Order for the Worship of God

January 11, 2026
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 60:1-3

PASTOR: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has been upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

ALL: Jesus said: “I am the Light of the World, whoever follows me will have the light of life.”

*Hymn *Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light* words printed on back
Hymn Tune: ERMUNTRE DICH

Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison – adapted from The Valley of Vision, p. 16)

O God, Source of all good, what shall I render to you for the gift of gifts, your own dear Son, begotten, not created: my redeemer, proxy, surety, substitute. He came below to raise me above, was born like me that I might become like him. When I cannot rise to him, he draws near on wings of grace, to raise me to himself. He came, God-incarnate, to save me to the uttermost, a man to die my death, to shed wrath-assuaging blood on my behalf, to work out a perfect righteousness for me. Today and every day, may I hear good tidings of great joy, and hearing, believe, rejoice, praise, adore and obey him who is Christ the Lord. In him you have given me so much that heaven can give no more. To you, O God, be the glory! Amen.

*Hymn #55 *To God Be the Glory* words printed on back

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

Scripture Lesson Matthew 1:1, 18-23; 4:17, 23-25; 28:1-7, 11-15

Sermon Series on the Books of the Bible #41

Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Silent Reflection and Prayer

While Matthew does not sign his own name to “his” gospel, the early church uniformly attests to the apostle’s authorship of the book. Matthew is the most Jewish-centric of the four gospels. The apostle regularly invokes the writings of the Old Testament prophets in an effort to illustrate Jesus’s identity as Israel’s long-awaited Messiah. In spite of centuries reading and studying the Old Testament, the Jewish religious leaders remain blind to the truth of who Jesus is. Matthew writes his account of Jesus’s ministry to show that Jesus is indeed the King of the Jews, Israel’s long-awaited Messiah. His intent is evident in his opening line, “The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham” (Matthew 1:1). From there, Matthew consistently takes his readers back to the Old Testament, providing Old Testament testimony regarding the birth, ministry, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. No mention is made of His ascension. As we read Matthew’s gospel, not only do we see Jesus Christ revealed as Israel’s King and Messiah, but His coming to earth as God in the flesh, who came to dwell with us (indeed, *in us* by his Spirit). Now resurrected and ascended, the Lord Jesus is always with us, even to the end of time (Matthew 28:20). Christ’s commission to His followers is still His mandate to us today: “Make disciples of all the nations” (Matthew 28:19). Christ’s work of building His kingdom (Church) is the work He does in and through each of us.

*Hymn #453 *All Authority and Power* words printed on back
(Hymn Tune: REGENT SQUARE)

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

MEN’S BAG LUNCH is this Wednesday at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own lunch and drink and do what men do: “chew the fat” and, hopefully, “spur one another on in love and good deeds” (Hebrews 10:24).

BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN begins Tuesday, January 20th at 10:00 a.m.

MONTHLY “POT PROVIDENCE” LUNCHEON will be on the 25th. Please sign up in the foyer.

NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR TODAY – 11th BK Decker, Gail Grissom; 18th - Nancy Davis, Joan Pretorious, 25th - Karen McKee, Kathleen George

BREAK FORTH, O BEAUTEOUS HEAVENLY LIGHT

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, and usher in the morning; ye shepherds, shrink not with affright but hear the angel's warning: This Child now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be, the power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, to herald our salvation; Christ stoops to earth – the God of might, our hope and expectation. He comes in human flesh to dwell, our God with us, Immanuel, the night of darkness ending, our fallen race befriending.

Come, Dearest Lord, into our hearts, and reign therein forever! Spirit, renew us by the Word and make us like the Savior. To God be honor, thanks, and praise for his amazing Gift of grace; come conquer and deliver this world, and us, forever!

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

REFRAIN: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus, forgiveness receives. **REFRAIN**

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. **REFRAIN**

ALL AUTHORITY AND POWER

All authority and power, ev'ry status and domain, now belongs to him who suffered our redemption to obtain; angels, demons, kings and rulers, over all shall Jesus reign!

All the nations owe him worship, ev'ry tongue shall call him Lord; how are men to call upon him if his name they have not heard? Therefore, go and make disciples, preach his gospel, spread his word.

All the clear commands of Jesus must be heeded and obeyed; full provision for our weakness in his teaching he has made, in the Gospel words and symbols, saving truth to us conveyed,

All the time he will be with us, always to the end of days, with his own believing people, who keep steadfast in his ways; God the Father, Son, and Spirit, bless us, and to him the praise!

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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.