

The Order for the Worship of God

March 15, 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 Tim Browning

Call to Worship: Psalm 30:4-5

PASTOR: ⁴ Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

ALL: ⁵ **For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

*Hymns #164 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (stanzas 1-4)* words printed on back

Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison) from Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire. “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!” The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

*Hymn #472 *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched!* words printed on back

Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World Larry Martin

Scripture Lesson Various texts from 2 Corinthians

Sermon Series on the Books of the Bible #48 Sam Hodge

Silent Reflection and Prayer

The letter of 2 Corinthians was written by Paul to the church in Corinth – most likely a few years after the writing of 1 Corinthians. This letter continues to show that Paul has a complicated relationship with the church in Corinth. It would appear that his first letter was not met with repentance and so he then responded by sending another letter that weighed heavily on Paul’s heart (2 Cor. 2:3-4). While we do not have a preserved record of this letter, Paul indicates that it was sent for the purpose that the people in Corinth would repent and that their relationship with Paul would be reconciled. We do receive joyful news in 2 Corinthians that many of the people in the Corinthian church did repent (2 Cor. 7:9). This letter is like 1 Corinthians in that Paul continues to give instruction to the church in how they are to live out the gospel that they have put their faith in. However, rather than looking at specific ways the gospel encourages us to live, Paul mostly focuses this letter on how the gospel shapes the character of those who have accepted it. In the opening chapters of this letter, it is evident that Paul’s qualifications as an apostle have come under scrutiny, so he makes a defense. However, it is evident that his defense is based not in his own pride, but in the trust that he puts in Jesus. Notably, Paul does make an appeal to the church in chapters 8 and 9 regarding an offering that he is bringing to those in need around Jerusalem. Finally, Paul concludes his letter with instruction to the church regarding a group of “super apostles” who are threatening to derail the church.

*Hymn #644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* words printed on back

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. **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.

DVD STUDY FOR MEN – “What Is Reformed Theology?” (first six sessions) by R.C. Sproul begins Wednesday April 1st and continues each Wednesday (10:30 a.m. – Noon) through May 6th. Sproul provides a comprehensive introduction to the theology of the Protestant Reformers of which Charles Haddon Spurgeon said: *“Reformed Theology is nothing other than biblical Christianity.”*

BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN will start back up on Tuesday, April 21st, 10:00 a.m. Lessons on *Who is the Holy Spirit* by Singular Ferguson.

THE HIGHLAND PRESBYTERY WOMEN’S SPRING GATHERING, with featured speaker Caroline Newheizer, will be at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 18th, at Faith Presbyterian in Morganton. There is a Sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Registration starts March 15th – April 12th

CONGREGATIONAL POT PROVIDENCE LUNCH will be held at 12:15 p.m. on Sunday, March 29th, following the worship service. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex to indicate your intention to bring an entree, a salad/side dish, or a dessert for eight people.

NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR TODAY –15th Betsy Smith, Lou Vissers; 22nd Nancy Davis, Joanna Martin; 29th Kathleen George, Amy Holman.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r: he is able, he is able, he is able, he is willing, doubt no more; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; true belief and true repentance, eve'ry grace that brings you nigh, without money, without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy; come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all: not the righteous, not the righteous, not the righteous – sinners Jesus came to call; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him; this he gives you, this he gives you, this he gives you; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day, by his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.

May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, and may they forget the channel, seeing only him.

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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.