

## *The Order for the Worship of the Risen Christ*

July 12, 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 *Be Thou My Vision/My Shepherd Shall Supply My Need –* arr. Adams  
Judy Bailey and Norm Malenke

Call to Worship taken from 1 Peter 1 and 3

PASTOR: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**ALL: The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer.**

\*Hymn #97 *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator* words printed on back

\*Congregational Prayer (to be prayed in unison)

**Most gracious and merciful God, our hearts are filled with gratitude and praise to you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ in whom we have been made alive by the Holy Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. We rejoice that you have reserved for us an inheritance that is "incorruptible, undefiled, that fades not away, and is reserved in heaven for us." This eternal promise that we are heirs of an imperishable kingdom fills our souls with joy "unspeakable and full of glory." Fill us with your Spirit, O God, and renew our hearts and minds. When facing fiery trials may our faithful obedience be a glorious testimony to your grace. We surrender our anxieties and doubts to you, our hope and our salvation. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.**

\*Hymn #159 *O Savior, Precious Savior* words printed on back  
(Hymn Tune: AURELIA)

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

Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 2:9-12

Sermons on the Books of the Bible #61 Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

## Silent Reflection and Prayer

The first word of this epistle, Peter, identifies the author, who called himself “an apostle of Jesus Christ.” He wrote this letter to a group of Christians scattered throughout the northern areas of Asia Minor, where he may have previously preached the gospel. Peter wrote to a group of people that probably included both Jews and Gentiles. The apostle addressed the letter’s recipients as “aliens” (1:1), a word indicating that Peter was speaking not just to Jews or just to Gentiles but to Christians who were living their lives in such a way that they would have stood out as aliens among the surrounding culture. First Peter focuses on the importance of believers bearing up under unjust suffering yet continuing to live well. In this way, 1 Peter might be called the Job of the New Testament, providing encouragement for the true believer to continue on in the way that Jesus has laid out for all His followers. The endurance Peter called these believers to is similar to Job’s, a man who suffered despite his righteousness. Peter maintained that this was the kind of true perseverance that God expects from His people. Living in close proximity to Jesus Christ for more than three years had provided the apostle Peter the best possible example of what it looked like to live in holiness amid a hostile world. More than any other man who walked the earth, Jesus modeled that lifestyle. Peter therefore pointed his readers in the best possible direction, to Jesus Himself. The apostle called Christians to “sanctify Christ as Lord” in their hearts, that believers might live and act as Jesus desires during their short time here on earth. This would include submission to authority—even unjust authority—in the government, in the home, and in the workplace. Jesus becomes the focal point for ordering one’s life in the midst of trials and tribulations. By rooting their perseverance in the person and work of Christ, believers can always cling to hope in the midst of suffering.

*“Preaching the gospel to myself each day nourishes within me a holy brazenness to believe what God says, enjoy what He offers, and do what He commands.”* Milton Vincent

\*Hymn #94 *How Firm a Foundation* words printed on back  
(stanzas 1, 4 and 6)

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!**

**POT PROVIDENCE LUNCHEON – AFTER WORSHIP – JULY 26<sup>th</sup> @ 12:15** in the Fellowship Hall. Entrée: fried chicken from Ingles plus sides and desserts provided by the members and friends of Cornerstone. The Ridge Haven Summer Staff will join us for the final time this season – so, let’s celebrate them and with them the goodness of the Lord!

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** will be on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. starting on September 8th thru October 27th on “Knowing Christ” by RC Sproul. Please sign-up (sheet in narthex) if you are planning to attend. Cost \$3 for Study Guide.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Christmas in July - see Amy Holman or one of her helpers, in the Narthex, to see how you can help our church begin preparing for Operation Christmas Child season.

**NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR JULY – TODAY 12<sup>th</sup> – Gail Grissom, Lou Vissers;** 19<sup>th</sup> – Nancy Davis, Joan Pretorius; 26<sup>th</sup> – Amy Holman, Marsha Elliott.

## **WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD, OUR REDEEMER, CREATOR (1 Peter 1:3)**

(1) We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

(2) We worship you, God of our fathers, we bless you; through life's storm and tempest our Guide you have been. When perils o'er-take us, escape you will make us, and with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

(3) With voices united our praises we offer, to you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise. Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us; to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.

## **O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR – (1 Peter 1:8)**

(1) O Savior, precious Savior, whom yet unseen we love, O Name of might and favor, all other names above; we worship you; we bless you, to you alone we sing; we praise you, and confess you our holy Lord and King.

(2) O bringer of salvation, who wondrously have wrought, yourself the revelation of love beyond our thought; we worship you; we bless you, to you alone we sing; we praise you, and confess you our gracious Lord and King.

(3) In you all fullness dwelling, all grace and pow'r outpours; the glory all excelling, O Son of God, is yours; we worship you; we bless you, to you alone we sing; we praise you, and confess you our glorious Lord and King.

(4) O grant the consummation of this our song above in endless adoration and everlasting love; then shall we praise and bless you, where perfect praises ring, and evermore confess you our Savior and our King.

## **HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION – (1 Peter 3:23-25)**

(1) How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say that to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

(4) “When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”

(6) “The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.”

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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.