Order of Worship February 11, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace.

(Romans 11:5 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. **People:** The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has

made.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD!

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed for us!

People: Come! Let us celebrate the festival!

(Psalm 46:1, 124:8, 145:9, 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name/Let angels prostrate fall. Bring forth the royal diadem/And crown Him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem/And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race/Ye ransomed from the fall. Hail Him who saves you by His grace/And crown Him Lord of all. Hail Him who saves you by His grace/And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred every tribe/On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe/And crown Him Lord of all. To Him all majesty ascribe/And crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng/We at His feet may fall. We'll join the everlasting song/And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song/And crown Him Lord of all.

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Scripture Reading

There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

(1 Kings 19:9-18 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

Chorus: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. (Chorus)

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! (Chorus)

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Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Brian Russ, Associate Pastor

Offertory

"God Be Merciful to Me"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

"The Gospel of God: Grace Alone!"

Romans 11:1-10

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Song of Preparation

The Gospel Song

Holy God, in love, became perfect man to bear my blame. On the cross He took my sin; by His death I live again.

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Profession of Faith: The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.* The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church**, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Christ was buried, and continuing in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day (WLC #50) **catholic means the universal, world-wide church

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Please hold the elements so we can take them individually and corporately. Please feel free to pray, sing or quietly meditate as the elements are passed. Gluten-free bread is available, please let the elders know as they pass the bread. Children and guests who have not made a personal profession of faith in Christ and have not become a communing member of this (or some other) church are welcome to stay and watch but please do not partake. (1 Corinthians 11:23-30)

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say, Thy strength indeed is small; Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all.

Chorus: Jesus paid it all All to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow. Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone, Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. *(Chorus)*

For nothing good have I where-by Thy grace to claim I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb. (*Chorus*)

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat. (Chorus)

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Song of Response

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.

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Benediction

God Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)

God, be merciful to me
On Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou
Blot out my transgressions now
Wash me, make me pure within
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess Grief and guilt my soul oppress. I have sinned against Thy grace And provoked Thee to Thy face. I confess Thy judgement just Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

Broken, humbled to the dust By Thy wrath and judgment just, Let my contrite heart rejoice And in gladness hear Thy voice; From my sins O hide Thy face Blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew Make my spirit right and true. Cast me not away from Thee Let Thy Spirit dwell in me; Thy salvation's joy impart Steadfast make my willing heart.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest - Welcome to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church. We're glad you're here! If you'd like more information about our church and its ministries, please fill out the "Connect Card" and visit our website. Another great way to connect is through Sunday School. There are classes for all ages at 9:45 am.

<u>Connect Cards</u> - Please take a "Connect Card" from the chair pocket in front of you, fill out one per family, and place it in the offering plate.

<u>Ordination Service for Chris Moody</u> - Sunday, February 18th during the 8:30 am service. Short reception to follow at the beginning of the Sunday School hour.

<u>Foundations Spring 2024</u> - Continues this Wednesday, February 14th from 5:45-7:15 pm in the FLC. There will be food, fellowship, and discipleship opportunities for children, students, and adults.

2024 Men's Retreat - Men, please join us on February 23-24 at Alpine Camp in Mentone, AL. For more details and to register, please visit our website. Deadline to register is February 18th.

Save the Date! - VBS Olympion 2024, June 3-6. More details to follow.

<u>Yakama Summer Mission Trip Interest Meeting</u> - Today after the second service. <u>Joni & Friends Family Camp</u> - June 23-28, 2024. To register, please contact Pastor Brian at brian@cornerstonehuntsville.org.

RYM - July 1-5, 2024. Current 8th graders and up can attend. To sign up, please contact Chris Moody at chris@cornerstonehuntsville.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for church members caring for family - Diana Akridge, Susan Dupré, Bryan Gassaway, Kyle Mosier, Randy Petcher, Bill and JoAnn Sneed, Bonnie Stock, and Mike and Carol Wellfare.

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Georgia Paulson, Earl Myers, Gayle Ricks, Brian Sommers, Craig Martin, Miyon Evans, Paul Wendorf, Ellen Brewer, Susan Hoyt, and those suffering.

Pray for our homebound friends - Ruby Petcher and Betty Baldwin.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Rebecca Nunley (April), Olivia Hitt (June), and the McMillan adoption.

Pray for ongoing construction and renovation projects.

Pray for the Lord to raise up a female Student Ministry Coordinator.

Pray for peace in Israel, Ukraine, and Sudan.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Third Millennium Ministries and North Hills Presbyterian Church, Meridianville, AL (Rev. Adam Tisdale).

The Lord's Day February 11, 2024