

# Order of Worship

## March 3, 2024

### Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

### Preparation for Worship

*For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.* (Romans 11:36 ESV)

### Call to Worship

Pastor: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

**People: For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?**

Pastor: Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

**People: For from him and through him and to him are all things.**

**ALL: To him be glory forever. Amen.** (Romans 11:33-36 ESV)

### Invocation

*Rev. John Summers, Assistant Pastor*

### Praise and Adoration

#### 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, unchanging 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.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;

In all life Thou livest the True Life of all;

We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,

And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

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!

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"  
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### Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice

All creation rises to rejoice.

*Chorus: Behold our God seated on His throne/Come let us adore Him!*

*Behold our King, nothing can compare/Come let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of His words?

Who can teach the one who knows all things?

Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds? (Chorus)

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

God eternal, humbled to the grave

Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign. (Chorus)

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### Scripture Reading

*Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has measured the Spirit of the Lord, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales; behold, he takes up the coastlands like fine dust. Lebanon would not suffice for fuel, nor are its beasts enough for a burnt offering. All the nations are as nothing before him, they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. To whom then will you liken God, or what likeness compare with him? An idol! A craftsman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and casts for it silver chains. He who is too impoverished for an offering chooses wood that will not rot; he seeks out a skillful craftsman to set up an idol that will not move. Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.* (Isaiah 40:9-23 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision/O Lord of my heart;

Naught be all else to me/Save that Thou art.

Thou my best thought/By day or by night;

Waking or sleeping/Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom/And Thou my true Word;

I ever with Thee/And Thou with me Lord.

Thou my great Father/And I Thy true son;

Thou in me dwelling/And I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not/Nor man's empty praise,

Thou mine Inheritance/Now and always:

Thou and Thou only/First in my heart,

High King of heaven/My Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven/My victory won;

May I reach heaven's joys/O bright heaven's Sun.

Heart of my own heart/Whatever befall;

Still be my vision/O Ruler of all.

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### Ministry Moment

### Pastoral Prayer

*John Bise, Elder*

### Offertory

*"Come Thou Almighty King"*

### Preaching of the Word

*Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor*

*"The Gospel of God: Soli Deo Gloria"*

*Romans 11:33-36*

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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

Sermon Notes:

**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.

**Connect Cards** - 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.

**Sunday Night Student Fellowship** - Tonight from 7-8:30 pm at the Roberts' home.

**Foundations Spring 2024** - This Wednesday, March 6 from 5:45-7:15 pm (last meeting).

**Spring Forward!** - Remember to set your clocks forward next Saturday evening.

**Communion** - Communion will be held next Sunday, March 10.

**Spring Break Playdate** - Tuesday, March 12 from 10-12 pm at the Kids Space Park, 2010 Airport Road SW. For questions, contact Ashley Colette at ashley.h.colette@gmail.com.

**Joni & Friends Family Camp** - June 23-28. An initial team meeting is today, immediately after the second service.

**Good Friday Communion Service** - Friday, March 29 at 6 pm in the FLC.

**Easter Sunday!** - We will have two worship services at 8:30 and 11 am on Sunday, March 31. After the first service, please join us for an Easter brunch during the Sunday School hour in the FLC.

**VBS Olympian 2024** - June 3-6 from 9-11:30 am. If you would like to volunteer, please register online at [www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news](http://www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news) and scroll down to "Upcoming Events". For questions, contact Mary Cooper at [mary@cornerstonehuntsville.org](mailto:mary@cornerstonehuntsville.org).

**RYM** - July 1-5. To sign up, contact Chris Moody at [chris@cornerstonehuntsville.org](mailto:chris@cornerstonehuntsville.org).

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Pray for church members caring for family** - Diana Akridge, Susan Dupré, 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, Earl Myers, Gayle Ricks, Miyon Evans, Susan Hoyt, Ruby Petcher, and those sick and 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.

**Please pray** for Chris Moody and his family with the recent passing of his grandmother, Rebecca Moody, this past week.

**Pray** for ongoing construction and renovation projects.

**Pray** for peace in Israel, Ukraine, and Sudan.

**Pray for our Missional Partnerships** - Joni and Friends and Valley Presbyterian Church, Madison, AL (Pastor William Plott).

**The Lord's Day  
March 3, 2024**

**Come Thou Almighty King**

*Come, thou Almighty King/Help us thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise/Father, all glorious,  
O'er all victorious/Come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.*

*Come, thou Incarnate Word/Gird on thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend/Come and thy people bless,  
And give thy Word success/Spirit of holiness, on us descend.*

*Come, Holy Comforter/Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour/Thou who almighty art,  
Now rule in every heart/And ne'er from us depart, spirit of power.*

*To the great One in Three/Eternal praises be  
Hence evermore/Thy sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see/And to eternity, love and adore.*

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