

Order of Worship May 14, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.”
(Deuteronomy 6:4-5 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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord! Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew, what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen, sound from His people again;
Gladly for all we adore Him.

“Praise To The Lord, The Almighty”
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Scripture Reading

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. (Psalm 19 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry / In the dawning of the King;
He the theme of heaven's praises / Robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness / Now the light of life has come;
Look to Christ who condescended / Took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry / He the perfect Son of Man,
In His living, in His suff'ring / Never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam / Come to save the hell-bound man,
Christ the great and sure fulfillment / Of the law in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry / Christ the Lord upon the tree;
In the stead of ruined sinners / Hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption / See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory / Grace unmeasured love untold.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry / Slain by death the God of life;
But no grave could e'er restrain Him / Praise the Lord He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance / How unwavering our hope;
Christ in power resurrected / As we will be when He comes.

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Pastoral Prayer

Mark Hundsheid, Elder

Offertory

“My Jesus I Love Thee” (Instrumental)

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

“The Most Important Things for Cornerstone - part 2” Deuteronomy 6:1-15

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Song of Preparation

Nothing But The Blood

What can wash away my sin
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!

Chorus: O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow.
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!

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Corporate Profession of Faith: The Apostle's 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 public 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.

(See 1 Corinthians 11:23-30 ESV)

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.

*"Doxology"
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Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest - Welcome to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here! If you would 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 9:45am.

Connect Cards - Please take a "Connect Card" from the chair pocket in front of you, fill out one per family and place in the collection plate.

Nursery Volunteers Needed! - We need help on Sunday mornings to care for our children in the nursery. If you are a member and would like to volunteer, or have questions, email christina@cornerstonehuntsville.org

VBS - "Summer Sequest" is coming up June 5th-8th. Registration is open! Go to cornerstonehuntsville.org/events to register. Questions? Email Paige McClure at paige@cornerstonehuntsville.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for church members caring for family - Lora Abernathy, Diana Akridge, Susan Dupré, Bryan Gassaway, Rick McCann, Kyle Mosier, Randy Petcher, and Bill and JoAnn Sneed.

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Elena Lewis, Mari Wendorf, and Abby Reese Wren.

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

Pray for our expectant mothers - Amy Eckenrode (July), Andrea Mace (July), Ashley Colette (August), Christina Hall (August), Sami Pottorf (August), Denia Dillon (August), and Melanie Bray (September).

Praise for the marriage of Susanna Dupré to Richard Penfield on May 13th.

Praise God for all of our mothers! Happy Mothers Day!

Pray for General Assembly, June 12th-16th, in Memphis, TN.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Alabama Church Planting Network and Valley Presbyterian Church, Madison, AL (Rev. William Plott).

**The Lord's Day
May 14, 2023**