

Order of Worship January 15, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

People: Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.

Pastor: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

ALL: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!
(Revelation 4 and 5 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of love, behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends each burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time
Creator of the rolling spheres ineffably sublime
All hail Redeemer hail, for Thou hast died for me
Thy praise shall never, never fail, throughout eternity

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"
George Job Elvey | Godfrey Thring | Matthew Bridge Scripture Reading

Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above / I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands / My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair / And tells me of the guilt within;
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died / My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb / My perfect spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself I cannot die / My soul is purchased with His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God.
With Christ my Savior and my God.

"Before The Throne Of God Above" | Charitie Lees Bancroft |
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Scripture Reading

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together. When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to

him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided." (Genesis 22:1–14 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Reception of New Members

*Rebecca Riddick
Kenneth, Ginny, Madalyn, and Elias Steely*

Membership Vows:

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?*
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?*
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?*
- 4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?*
- 5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?*

Sacrament of Baptism

*Jeremiah (Remy) James Durr
Emmaline Cathryn Durr
Son and Daughter of Andy and Lauren Durr
(1st Service)*

*Elias Scott Steely
Madalyn Anne Steely
(2nd Service)*

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?

Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence?

That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand?

What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end?

The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*Chorus: O sing hallelujah!/Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!/Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul?

God is good, God is good.

Where is His grace and goodness known?

In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?

Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh?

Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? (*Chorus*)

Unto the grave, what will we sing?

"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"

And what reward will heaven bring?

Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord.

Then sin and death will be destroyed.

And we will feast in endless joy,

When Christ is ours forevermore. (*Chorus x2*)

*"Christ Out Hope in Life and Death" | Keith Getty |
Matt Boswell | Jordan Kauflin | Matthew Merker | Matt Papa*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Corporate Profession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism #33

Pastor: What is justification?

People: Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardons all our sins, and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Preaching of the Word *Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor*

"The Gospel of God: What is Justification?" *Romans 3:21-26*

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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" | Louis Bourgeois | Thomas Ken | Words: Public Domain

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.

New Members Class - Begins Sunday, February 5th, during the Sunday School hour in the Family Life Center. Email office@cornerstonehuntsville.org to register.

FOUNDATIONS - Resumes Wednesday, January 25th. Join us for a meal at 5:30pm and afterwards discipleship opportunities for all ages will be from 6:15 to 7:15pm. A nursery will be provided.

- **Men's Study:** *The Disciplines of a Godly Man* led by Shep Park and Joey Shelton.
- **Women's Study:** *Confronting Jesus* led by Heidi Honeywell.
- **Seminar:** *Covenant Theology* led by Ed Pendergrass.
- **Leadership Training:** *Biblical Counseling* led by Wilson Shirley.

Women's Ministry:

- **Women's Bible Study Opportunities** - Tuesday morning and evening studies will begin this week. Please see previous email communication or the newsletter for study information and registration links.
- **Monthly Prayer Time** - This Thursday, January 19th, at 10am, at the church.
- **Mom and Kids Playdate Meetup** - Monday, January 23, at 10am, at Altitude Trampoline Park. Email ashley.h.colette@gmail.com for more information.
- **Women's Conference** - January 27th & 28th at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Register at cornerstonehuntsville.org/events
- **Cornerstone Men's Retreat** - Join us to discuss *Spiritual Leadership in the Home, at Work, and in the Church* on February 24-25 at the Vision Retreat Center. Register at cornerstonehuntsville.org/events

Abounding - Visit cornerstoneabounding.org to learn more about the Abounding initiative.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for healing - Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Wendorfs, Phil Freeze, Gayle Ricks, Lauren Davenport, Sharon Ibsen, and Bob Boerner.

Pray for our nursing home resident - Ruby Petcher

Pray for our expectant mothers - Amy Eckenrode (July), Andrea Mace (July), and the Kawell adoption.

Pray that the Lord would raise up an assistant pastor to serve at Cornerstone.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - RUF at UAH and Alabama A&M and North Hills Presbyterian Church, Meridianville, AL (Pastor Adam Tisdale).

**The Lord's Day
January 15, 2023**