Order of Worship October 30, 2022

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name. (*Psalm 86:11 ESV*)

Call to Worship

- Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- Pastor: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
- People: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
- Pastor: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- People: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- Pastor: Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, he burns the chariots with fire.
- Pastor: "Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
- The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is ALL: our fortress. (Psalm 46 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sa-ba-oth, His Name, from age to age the same, And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

> "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Frederick Henry Hedge, Martin Luther

Scripture Reading

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. (Ephesians 5:8–16 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

From Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee/The voice of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me/And hear my supplication; If Thou iniquities dost mark/Our secret sins and misdeeds dark, O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?) O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?)

To wash away the crimson stain/Grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain/In much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight/All must alike confess Thy might And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy) And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord/And not in mine own merit; On Him my soul shall rest, His word/Upholds my fainting spirit; His promised mercy is my fort/My comfort and my sweet support; I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience)

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

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! "Nothing But The Blood" | Robert Lowry | Public Domain

Pastor: What is the Lord's supper? People: The Lord's supper is a sacrament of the New Testament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to the appointment of Jesus Christ, his death is showed forth; and they that worthily communicate feed upon his body and blood, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace; have their union and communion with him confirmed; testify and renew their thankfulness, and engagement to God, and their mutual love and fellowship each with other, as members of the same mystical body.

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows/Our upmost need it soundeth. Our Shepherd good and true is He/Who will at last His Israel free From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow)

> "Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe)" Words: Martin Luther. Music: Christopher Miner

Mark Hundscheid. Elder

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

"The Gospel of God: Embodying the Truth"

Romans 2:17-24

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Corporate Profession of Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism, Question # 168

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. (1 Corinthians 11:23-30)

Behold The Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,

Slain for us - and we remember

The promise made that all who come in faith

Find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this bread of life/And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of peace/Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ

Torn for you - eat and remember

The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life

Paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this bread of life/And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of love/Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin

Shed for you - drink and remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in

To receive the life of God.

So we share in this bread of life/And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of grace/Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise

To respond - and to remember

Our call to follow in the steps of Christ

As His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering/We proclaim Christ will come again! And we'll join in the feast of heaven/Around the table of the King.

> "Behold The Lamb (Communion Hymn) Words and Music by Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend © 2007 Thankyou Music

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 KenWords: Public Domain

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>**Guest</u>** - 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.</u>

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

<u>Sunday School Today</u> - Elders will be leading focused discussions and answering questions regarding the recent letter detailing the Abounding campaign and future plans for Cornerstone. Please make plans to attend.

Daylight Savings Time - Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour next Saturday evening!

FOUNDATIONS - Join us on Wednesdays for a meal at 5:30pm. Discipleship opportunities for all ages are from 6:15 to 7:15pm. A nursery is provided. RSVP at cornerstonehuntsville.org/foundations or scan the QR code below to register. **Women's Ministry** - "Gently Loved Shoe Drive" for Manna House through November 16th. Please consider blessing the Manna House with the following items: Adult men and women's walking shoes, women's shoes and tops suitable for workwear, and gently used sleeping bags. Place items in the collection container located in the Gathering Room. If you have questions, or an interest in helping, contact Val Myers at valmyers@reagan.com

Book Resources - *Age of Opportunity,* a great resource for parents of teenagers, is available in the lobby for \$15.

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, and Kyle Mosier.

Pray for healing - April DeJong, Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Berin Wendorf, Phil Freeze, Gayle Ricks, Lauren Davenport, Sharon Ibsen, Brian Russ, Farris Powell, and Sam Trotter.

Pray for our Sunday School teachers.

Pray for wisdom for our church leaders.

Pray for our nursing home resident - Ruby Petcher

Pray for our expectant mothers - Hillary Hornor (November) and Kawell (adoption). **Pray** that the Lord would raise up an assistant pastor to serve at Cornerstone. **Pray for our Missional Partnerships** - Northeast Alabama Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Valley Presbyterian Church, Madison, AL (Pastor William Plott).



The Lord's Day October 30, 2022