# Order of Worship March 19, 2023

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome & Announcements

## **Preparation for Worship**

Keep steady my steps according to your promise, and let no iniquity get dominion over me. (Psalm 119:133 ESV)

## Call to Worship

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of

Jesus Christ from the dead.

Pastor: To an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and

unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready

to be revealed in the last time.

ALL: To Him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

(1 Peter 1:3-5, 5:11 ESV)

#### Invocation

## **Praise and Adoration**

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three persons blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, all the saints adore Thee Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee Who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, holy, though the darkness hide Thee Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see Only Thou art holy; There is none beside Thee Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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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**

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart! (Psalm 32 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

### **Reception of New Members**

Adelae Austin Rich & Jackie Edmondson
Claire Davenport Hudson McClure

#### **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**

Hudson McClure (2nd Service)

## Song of Celebration

### **In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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### **Pastoral Prayer**

### Offertory

"Come Thou Almighty King"

## Preaching of the Word

*John Summers* 

"The Gospel of God: Present Yourselves as Those Alive in Grace" Romans 6:12-14

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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**

#### **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.

**FOUNDATIONS** - Join us for a meal on Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm.

Discipleship opportunities for all ages are offered from 6:15 to 7:15pm. A nursery is provided. RŜŶP at cornerstonehuntsville.org/foundations or scan the QR code below to register. Our spring semester concludes next Wednesday, March 29th. <u>Creative Arts Ministry</u> - Resumes this Tuesday, March 21st, at 11:30am. Contact Suzann Dolan at sdolan73@aol.com for more information.

Missions Fundraiser Lunch - Join us for a cookout fundraiser to support the Joni & Friends and Yakama Missions Teams next Sunday, March 26th, after the second worship service, in the FLC. Please go to cornerstonehuntsville.org/events to RSVP by Wednesday, March 22nd. If you are unable to attend but would like to donate to the summer mission trips, you can do so through the RSVP form.

Holy Week - Good Friday Communion Service, Friday, April 7th, at 6:00pm Easter Sunday Services, Sunday, April 9th

- Worship Services at 8:30am and 11:00am
  - Easter Brunch in the Family Life Center at 9:45am

Women's Ministry - Save the date for a Spring Shower to benefit HPRC on Sunday, April 16th, from 2pm-4pm, in the Fellowship Hall. More info next week! VBS - "Summer Seaquest" will be June 5th-8th. Registration coming soon. Adult and youth volunteers are still needed! Email paige@cornerstonehuntsville.org or go to cornerstonehuntsville.org/events to volunteer.

**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, Bill and JoAnn Sneed, Kyle Mosier, and Susan Dupré.

Pray for healing - Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Phil Freeze, Gayle Ricks, Bob Boerner, Beverly Park, Elena Lewis, and Cal Brown.

**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), Melanie Bray (September), and the Kawell adoption.

**Pray** that the Lord would raise up an assistant pastor to serve at Cornerstone. **Pray** for wisdom and guidance on Abounding initiatives.

**Pray for our Missional Partnerships** - Brent and Selana Miller (Missionaries to Mexico) and First Presbyterian Church, Russellville, AL (Pastor Corey Lanier).

The Lord's Day March 19, 2023

