

Order of Worship May 8, 2022

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5 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

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing - Alleluia, alleluia.
Thou, burning sun with golden beam;
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam;
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Thou rushing wind that art so strong;
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along - O praise Him, alleluia.
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice!
Ye lights of evening find a voice!
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

And all ye men of tender heart
Forgiving others take your part - O sing ye, alleluia.
Ye, who long pain and sorrow bear;
Praise God and on Him cast your care.
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness - O praise Him, alleluia.
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son;
And praise the Spirit Three in One!
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

"All Creatures of Our God and King"
St. Francis of Assisi | William Henry Draper

Scripture Reading

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

(Ephesians 4:25-32 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Thy Mercy My God

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

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Profession of Faith:

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 110 and 111

Pastor: What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

People: God forbids not only outright theft and robbery, punishable by law. But in God's sight theft also includes all scheming and swindling in order to get our neighbor's goods for ourselves, whether by force or means that appear legitimate, such as inaccurate measures of weight, size, or volume; fraudulent merchandising; counterfeit money; excessive interest; or any other means forbidden by God. In addition God forbids all greed and pointless squandering of his gifts.

Pastor: What does God require of you in this commandment?

People: That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Brian Russ, Associate Pastor

The Ten Commandments: Grace for Thieves

Exodus 20:15

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Song of Preparation

The Gospel Song

Holy God, in love, became
Perfect Man to bear my blame.
On the cross He took my sin;
By His death I live again.

"The Gospel Song" Bob Kauffman and Drew Jones
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Corporate Profession of Faith: The Apostles 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 personal 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)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss; and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ my God.
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

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See from His head, His hands, His feet sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine that were an off'ring far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

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

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see.

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

*Chorus: My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace.*

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine.

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"
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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.

Joni & Friends - Thank you for your generosity last week toward the Joni and Friends mission team! Please pray for the team as they continue to prepare for the trip the last week of June.

Graduate Recognition - May 15th during the 2nd service. Contact Brian Russ at brian@cornerstonehuntsville.org for more information.

Cornerstone Softball - If you are interested in playing on a church softball team this summer please reach out to Paul McKelvey (205-960-4009 or pauldmckelvey@gmail.com) for more information and to sign up. Men and women welcome!

Vacation Bible School June 6-9 - Go to cornerstonehuntsville.org/events to register and volunteer.

Bookshelf Ministry - Be sure to check out this resource ministry located in the Gathering Room. There are free books, tracts and audio teaching CDs for you to take or give to someone.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for healing - Matthew Lawrence, Berin Wendorf, and Kelly Hawkins.

Pray for our nursing home resident - Ruby Petcher

Praise for the birth of Mary Allen Junen born April 29 to Patrick and Abby Junen.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Yatang Cohee (May), Anna Hill (June), Amanda Pendegraft (July), Sage Hundscheid (August), and Kawell (adoption).

Pray for peace in Ukraine.

Pray for our Church officers meeting May 10th.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships- Alex and Suzanne Sarran, Church Planting Lyon, France. Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church, Cullman, AL- Pastor Jason Ellerbee.

**The Lord's Day
May 8, 2022**