

Order of Worship

September 3, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! (Romans 7:24-25a)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Pastor: Who forgives all your iniquity and heals all your diseases.

People: Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

Pastor: Who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

Pastor: He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

ALL: Bless the LORD, O my soul! (Psalm 103:1-8,22 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come Thou Fount of every blessing / Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing / Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet / Sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it / Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer / Hither by Thy help I've come;

And I hope, by Thy good pleasure / Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger / Wandering from the fold of God;

He, to rescue me from danger / Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor / Daily I'm constrained to be!

Let that grace now like a fetter / Bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it / Prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it / Seal it for Thy courts above.

"Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"
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His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done;

Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum,

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,

Our sins they are many His mercy is more.

Chorus: Praise the Lord, His mercy is more;

Stronger than darkness, new every morn

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?

What Father so tender is calling us home?

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest the poor;

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. (Chorus)

What riches of kindness He lavished on us;

His blood was the payment His life was the cost.

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.

Our sins they are many His mercy is more. (Chorus)

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Scripture Reading

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities. (Psalm 130 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?)

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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)

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

Missions Moment

Mike Sabin, MTW/Transworld Radio

Pastoral Prayer

Mike Honeywell, Elder

Offertory

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

The Gospel of God: The War Within

Romans 7:13-25

Pages 943-944

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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Thomas Ken | Words: Public Domain

Benediction

Sermon Notes:

I Need Thee Every Hour

*I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford.*

*Chorus: I need Thee, oh, I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.*

*I need Thee every hour,
Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh. (Chorus)*

*I need Thee every hour,
In joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide,
Or life is vain. (Chorus)*

*I need Thee every hour,
Teach me Thy will;
And Thy rich promises
In me fulfill. (Chorus)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest - Welcome to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church. We're glad you're here! If you'd 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 9:45 am.

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

Labor Day Office Hours - Our church office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.

Communion - We will observe communion next Sunday, September 10th.

Fall 2023 Women's Studies - The Tuesday women's bible study of 1, 2, and 3 John begins this Tuesday, September 5th from 9:15 -11:30 am in the FLC. The evening women's study of Jonah will begin Monday and Tuesday, September 11th and 12th from 7-8 pm. For questions, please contact Heidi Honeywell at heidi@cornerstonehuntsville.org or Debbie Jones at cwj@knology.net.

Senior High Sunday Night Fellowship - High school students, please join us on September 10th from 7-8:30 pm at the Roberts' home for a time of fellowship, followed by a discussion led by John Summers on the question, "Can I trust the Bible?"

FOUNDATIONS - On Wednesday nights for 6 weeks, beginning September 20th from 5:45-7:15 pm in the FLC. This is a great opportunity to come together each week for food, fellowship, and foundations in God's Word! There will be discipleship opportunities for children, students, and adults. For more information, please visit www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/foundations.

Ministry Opportunity - Interested in reaching out to our church members who need help with minor home improvements or repairs? If so, contact David Hoover at ddhoover53@gmail.com for more information.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for church members caring for family - 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, Mari Carmen Wendorf, Abby Reese Wren, Dawn Chenault, Gary Abernathy, Susie Shelton, Kendall Junen, Linda Granger, and Kelly Davenport.

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

Pray for our expectant mothers - Melanie Bray (September), Olivia Clemons (January), and Lauren Hudgins (February).

Pray for our transition time during construction.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Rodney and Jana Davila (Missionaries to El Salvador) and Southwood Presbyterian Church, Huntsville, AL (Rev. Will Spink).

**The Lord's Day
September 3, 2023**