

Order of Worship

April 15, 2018

Prelude

“Thy Mercy My God”

Welcome & Announcements **Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor**

Preparation for Worship

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

(1 Corinthians 15:3-4 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

People: **Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.**

Pastor: One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

People: **On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.**

Pastor: They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. **People:** They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

Pastor: **The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

People: The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Pastor: **All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!** *(Psalm 145:1-10 ESV)*

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

Come People of the Risen King

Come, people of the Risen King/Who delight to bring Him praise;
Come all and tune your hearts to sing/To the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth/We will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach/To gather children in.

REFRAIN: Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night
Come, those who tell of battles won/And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change/And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days/With the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land/Men and women of the faith;
Come, those with full or empty hands/Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing/Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age/“Our God is all in all”!

“Come People of the Risen King”
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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.

“Thy Mercy My God”
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Scripture Reading

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother. (1 John 4:13-21 ESV)

How Deep the Father’s Love For Us

How deep the Father’s love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow’r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Profession of Faith- Heidelberg Catechism # 21

Pastor: What is true faith?

People: **True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in his Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.**

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Brian Russ, Assistant Pastor

“Our Vision: United in the Gospel”

Acts 2:43-44
Pew Bible p.911

****Please register your attendance on the Connect Card and place in offering plate.**

Song of Response

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound / That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost but now am 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.

Through many dangers toils and snares / I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far / And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years / Bright shining as the sun;
We've no less days to sing God's praise / Than when we'd first begun.

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Benediction

The Church's One Foundation

*The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her and for her life He died.*

*Elect from every nation yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with every grace endued.*

*Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
'Til, with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.*

*Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy, Lord gives us grace that we
Like them the meek and lowly on high may dwell with Thee.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guests: Welcome to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here! If you would like more information about our church and its ministries, please speak to one of the greeters and fill out the Blue Connect Card.

Parents' Night Out - Mark your calendars for Friday, April 20th. We will have childcare available from 5:30-8:30 for infants through youth with pizza, games and crafts. There is no charge for the childcare, however, donations will be accepted for our Yakama Mission Team. Register online at cornerstone-pres.org/parents-night-out.

Rock-A-Ma Yakama Benefit Concert - Sunday, April 29th, 5-7pm. Who doesn't love a great concert? Even more so, one that features some of our favorite folks rocking out to support our Yakama Mission Trip this summer! Please join us on **Sunday, April 29th, from 5-7pm** for some great entertainment, refreshments and a good time enjoying great music. There is no cost for the concert, but donations will be accepted for the mission team!

Cornerstone 5th Anniversary Celebration - May 18-20. Rev. Randy Pope will be the guest speaker.

Saturday, May 19th: Men's Breakfast with Randy Pope, 8:30am

Sunday, May 20th:

- *Worship - with Randy Pope*

- *Joint SS with Randy Pope*

- *Picnic Lunch and Fellowship after Sunday School at Monte Sano State Park*

Vacation Bible School - June 25-28, 2018 *"Space Probe: A Spectacular VBS Odyssey"*. Register online at cornerstone-pres.org/vbs2018. Be sure to sign up no later than June 1st in order to get your t-shirt!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing - Please pray for the health of the following individuals: Bill & Betty Baldwin, Tom & Ann Keown, Amy Ricks, Gary Thompson and others battling illness.

Pray for church members caring for family - Lora Abernathy, Karen Conners, Carol Cox, Wendy Dillon, Bryan Gassaway, Mark Hundscheid, Alan Patterson, Randy and Dee Petcher, David & Margaret Powell, Tim and David Ricks, Anne Thompson, Earl and Jean Wells.

Pray for the ongoing work of the facility committee.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Rachel Biggs (July), Rebecca Gassaway (June), and Cecilia Heiser (April).

Ministries -Seth & Jessica Lewis, Missionaries to Ireland, Redeemer Presbyterian Church - Florence, AL

The Lord's Day, April 15, 2018