

Order of Worship

June 25, 2017

Prelude

“Come and Welcome”

Welcome & Announcements

John Hinson, Elder

Preparation for Worship

The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love; teach me your statutes!

(Psalm 119:64 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

People: Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

Pastor: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

Pastor: He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

People: Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

Pastor: For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

People: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

ALL: PRAISE THE LORD! *(Psalm 33:1-5, 19–22 ESV)*

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go/I rest my weary soul in Thee
I give Thee back the life I owe/That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way/I yield my flickering torch to Thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain/I cannot close my heart to Thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain/And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head/I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead/And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”
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Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord/We will wait upon the Lord (repeat)
Our God, You reign forever/Our hope, our Strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God/The everlasting God
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You're the defender of the weak/You comfort those in need
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Scripture Reading

Rev. Brian Russ, Assistant Pastor

Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you. But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.
(Psalm 73:23–28 ESV)

God Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)

God, be merciful to me; On Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou/Blot out my transgressions now
Wash me, make me pure within/Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess/Grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against Thy grace/And provoked Thee to Thy face.
I confess Thy judgement just/Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.
I am evil, born in sin/Thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art/Teach Thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow/Wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust/By Thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice/And in gladness hear Thy voice;
From my sins O hide Thy face/Blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew/Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from Thee/Let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart/Steadfast make my willing heart.

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Responsive Profession of Faith

Pastor: The Lord is my portion;

People: I promise to keep your words.

Pastor: I entreat your favor with all my heart;

People: Be gracious to me according to your promise.

Pastor: When I think on my ways, I turn my feet to your testimonies;

People: I hasten and do not delay to keep your commandments.

Pastor: Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,

People: I do not forget your law.

Pastor: At midnight I rise to praise you,

People: Because of your righteous rules.

Pastor: I am a companion of all who fear you,

People: Of those who keep your precepts.

Pastor: The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;

People: Teach me your statutes! *(Psalm 119:57-64 ESV)*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory**

“Rock of Ages”

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

“Blessed Are Those Who Love the Word: The Lord is My Portion” Psalm 119:57-64
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****Please register your attendance on the Connect Card and place in offering plate.**

Song of Response

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder;
Let us praise the Savior's name.
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.
He has washed us with His blood (x3)
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord Who bought us;
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by His grace and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with His blood (x3)
He presents our souls to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice,
Join and point to mercy's store.
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He Who washed us with His blood (x3)
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted Him before us;
Now their praises fill the sky.
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (x3)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God.

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"
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Benediction

Rock of Ages

*Rock of Ages cleft for me / Let me hide myself in thee.
Let the water and the blood / From thy wounded side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure / Cleanse me from its guilt and power.*

*Not the labors of my hands / Can fulfill thy law's demands.
Could my zeal no respite know / Could my tears forever flow
All for sin could not atone / Thou must save and thou alone.*

*Nothing in my hand I bring / Simply to the cross I cling.
Naked come to thee for dress / Helpless look to thee for grace
Foul I to the Fountain fly / Wash me Savior or I die.*

*While I draw this fleeting breath / When my eyelids close in death
When I soar to worlds unknown / See thee on thy judgment throne
Rock of ages cleft for me / Let me hide myself in thee.*

"Rock of Ages"
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Ladies Fellowship Night Tomorrow - Please join us Monday, June 26th, at Big Rosie's on University Drive from 6-8pm. RSVP to jenniboerner@gmail.com or (256) 337-0555.

Youth Events:

Lincoln Village Service Project - June 28th. Please be sure to RSVP **today** to Jessica Zambie at jessica@cornerstone-pres.org if you plan to participate. Our assignment is based on the number of participants. Release forms need to be completed prior to work day. Meet at the church at 11:30am and returning by 3:30pm.

Lake Day - July 8th. Save the date!

Cornerstone Men's Golf Open - Sunday, July 30th at Hampton Cove. 3pm Tee-Off with dinner at 5pm in the Club House. Sons and Guests are welcome! Cost: \$40 per person. Ticket price includes Golf Fee (9 holes), Golf cart, dinner, and door prizes. Register by emailing Randy Cox at rcox@hiwaay.net.

FCA outreach sports camp - Friday July 17-21 from 8:30-3:30 at Bob Jones High school. For more information and to register please go to northalabamafca.org or contact Ralph Keel (256) 653-5494.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing - Please pray for the health of the following individuals: Bill & Betty Baldwin and Ann Keown.

Pray for church members caring for family - Lora Abernathy, Carol Cox, Wendy Dillon, Bryan Gassaway, Johnny Hinshaw, Mark Hundscheid, Alan Patterson, Randy and Dee Petcher, Tim and David Ricks, Neil Sutphin, Earl and Jean Wells, Sean Williamson and Susan Wilson.

Matthew Lawrence - Please pray for Matthew and his family as he mourns the loss of his mother this past week.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Anna Hill (due in October) and Sarah Robins Powell (due in October)

Yakama Mission Trip - Please pray for the team as they prepare to partner with Sacred Road Ministries in July.

Scottsboro PCA Church Plant - Pray for the Paulsons and the new work led by Providence Presbytery.

Ministries - INFOCUS UAH Campus Ministry, Decatur Presbyterian Church

Please contact the church office by Thursday for changes or additions to prayer requests.

The Lord's Day, June 25, 2017