

Order of Worship

September 27, 2020

Prelude

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:22–24 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed.

People: O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come.

Pastor: When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions.

People: Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts!

Pastor: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

ALL: Praise the LORD! *(Psalm 65:1-4 ESV)*

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name

All hail the pow’r of Jesus' name/Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem/And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem/And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race/Ye ransomed from the fall.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace/And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace/And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred every tribe/On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe/And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe/And crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng/We at His feet may fall.
We'll join the everlasting song/And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song/And crown Him Lord of all.

“All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name
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Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men
Oh You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor Comforter Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way.

*(Chorus) You are the One that we praise. You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for.*

Almighty infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne.

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”
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Scripture Reading

The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the Lord does valiantly, the right hand of the Lord exalts, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!” I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:14-24 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

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.

“In Christ Alone”
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Confession of Faith- Heidelberg Catechism # 1

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Pastoral Prayer

Preparation for Preaching of the Word

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise
Just to know “Thus saith the Lord!”

*Chorus: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him/How I’ve proved Him o’er and o’er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus/O for grace to trust Him more!*

Yes ’tis sweet to trust in Jesu
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

“Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus”
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Preaching of the Word **Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor**

“Dirty Clothes, Babies and Stones”

I Peter 2:1-8

Tithes and offerings can be made online or in the offering baskets located throughout the building.

I Peter 2:1-8 ESV

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”

And

“A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

Song of Response

The 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.

“Doxology”
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Benediction

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death?/Christ alone, Christ alone

What is our only confidence?/That our souls to Him belong

Who holds our days within His hand?/What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end?/The love of Christ, in which we stand

(Chorus) O sing hallelujah!/Our hope springs eternal/O sing hallelujah!

Now and ever we confess/Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul?/God is good, God is good

Where is His grace and goodness known?/In our great Redeemer’s blood

Who holds our faith when fears arise?/Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us night/Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? (Chorus)

Unto the grave, what will we sing?/“Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!”

And what reward will heaven bring?/Everlasting life with Him

There we will rise to meet the Lord/Then sin and death will be destroyed

And we will feast in endless joy/When Christ is ours forevermore (Chorus)

O sing hallelujah!/Our hope springs eternal/O sing hallelujah!/Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death/Now and ever we confess/Christ our hope in life and death.

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”
Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin,
and Matthew Merker, Matt Papa

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, fill out the Blue Connect Card, and visit our website at cornerstone-pres.org.

FOUNDATIONS - Join us on Wednesday night at 5:30 PM. Individually boxed meals will be served from 5:30 PM until 6:15 PM in the fellowship hall. Cost of meal is \$5/person (\$15 max per family). Pizza will be served this week. Classes begin at 6:15 PM and will conclude promptly at 7:15 PM. **Please RSVP no later than noon Monday to brian@cornerstone-pres.org.**

Communicant's Class- Communicant's Class for children will begin next Sunday, October 4 with a brief meeting after the second service in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in signing up your child this class, please contact Pastor Brian (brian@cornerstone-pres.org).

Membership Class for Students - A membership class for students (13 & up) will be offered in November. More details will be coming soon!

Bookshelf Ministry - Be sure to check out this resource ministry located at the main entrance foyer. There are free books, tracts and audio teaching CDs for you to take or give to someone. These books are Reformed and have been read by one of our leaders.

CORNERSTONE PRAYER MINISTRY

Pray for church members caring for family - Lora Abernathy, Diana Akridge, Karen Conners, Bryan Gassaway, Mark/Shelby Hundscheid, Alan Patterson, Randy Petcher, David/Margaret Powell and Bill/JoAnn Sneed.

Pray for healing - Earl Ricks and those who are sick with COVID-19.

Pray for our nursing home residents - Ruby Petcher & Marcy Renegar.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Ivy Patrick (November) and Amanda Pendegraft (January)

Pray for our administrators, teachers, leaders and healthcare workers as they lead during crisis.

Pray for peace, protection and gospel hope for our country with unrest, hurricanes and wildfires.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - West Huntsville Mission (Bill Nash), Grace Fellowship Presbyterian Church, Albertville, AL (Jackie Gaston)

Scripture Prayer: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

(I Peter 2:2-3 ESV)

**The Lord’s Day
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