

Order of Worship January 28, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy.

(Romans 9:16 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Oh, the depths of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

People: For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?

Pastor: Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?

ALL: For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

(Romans 11:33-36 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

Come Christians Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing/ Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King/ Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice/ Before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice/ Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high/ Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky/ Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend/ To us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end/ Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again/ Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain/ Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore/ His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore/ Alleluia! Amen!

*"Come Christians Join to Sing"
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Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice

All creation rises to rejoice.

Chorus: Behold our God seated on His throne

Come let us adore Him!

Behold our King, nothing can compare

Come let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of His words?

Who can teach the one who knows all things?

Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds? *(Chorus)*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

God eternal, humbled to the grave

Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign. *(Chorus)*

*"Behold Our God" Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird
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Baptismal Responsive Scripture Reading

Pastor: And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. *(Genesis 17:7 ESV)*

People: Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself. *(Acts 2:38-39 ESV)*

Pastor: In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. *(Colossians 2:11-12 ESV)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Reception of New Members

John and Emily Hinson

Jackson Pierce

Caroline Thompson

Bonnie Stock

Membership Vows:

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?

2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Sacrament of Baptism

Warren James Bray

Son of James and Melanie Bray

(1st service)

Timothy Sheridan Mace

Son of Andrew and Andrea Mace

(2nd service)

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 nigh?

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 x2)*

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

Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Chris Moody, Dir. of Students & Families

Offertory

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

“The Gospel of God: The Purpose of Election”

Romans 9:6b-29

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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.

“Doxology”

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Benediction

O the Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus

Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;

Rolling as a mighty ocean/In its fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me/Is the current of thy love;

Leading onward, leading homeward/To thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

Spread his praise from shore to shore;

How he loveth, ever loveth/Changeth never, nevermore;

How he watches o’er his loved ones

Died to call them all his own;

How for them he intercedeth

Watcheth o’er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!/Love of ev’ry love the best:

’Tis an ocean vast of blessing!’Tis a haven sweet of rest.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!’Tis a heav’n of heav’ns to me;

And it lifts me up to glory/For it lifts me up to thee.

*“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus” | Text: Samuel Trevor Francis
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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 it in the offering plate.

Women’s Ministry Bible Studies - Morning study meets on Tuesdays for 10 weeks from 9:15-11:30 am in the FLC. Evening study meets on Monday and Tuesday evenings for 8 weeks from 7-8 pm. For additional details, please visit our website.

New Members Class - Begins today during the Sunday School hour. If you’re interested in becoming a member or learning more about Cornerstone, please email office@cornerstonehuntsville.org to sign up. The class will meet on the 2nd floor of the main building.

Foundations Spring 2024 - On Wednesday nights for 6 weeks, beginning January 31 from 5:45-7:15 pm in the FLC. There will be food, fellowship, and discipleship opportunities for children, students, and adults.

2024 Men’s Retreat - Men, please join us on February 23-24 at Alpine Camp in Mentone, AL. The cost is \$60/person. For more details and to register, please visit www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news and scroll down to “Upcoming Events”.

Save the Date! - VBS Olympion 2024, June 3-6. More details to follow.

Yakama Summer Mission Trip - A team is forming to go back on June 1-8, 2024. If interested, please contact frank.cohee@gmail.com.

Joni & Friends Family Camp - June 23-28. Contact Pastor Brian to register.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for church members caring for family - Diana Akridge, Susan Dupré, Bryan Gassaway, Kyle Mosier, Randy Petcher, Bill and JoAnn Sneed, Bonnie Stock, Mike and Carol Wellfare, and Mark and Robbie Kimbrough.

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Georgia Paulson, Earl Myers, Gayle Ricks, Brian Sommers, and those suffering.

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

Pray for our expectant mothers - Rebecca Nunley (April), Olivia Hitt (June), and the McMillan adoption.

Praise God for the birth of Theodore Anthony Hudgins, born on January 24 to Hunter and Lauren.

Pray for ongoing construction and renovation projects.

Pray for peace in Israel, Ukraine, and Sudan.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Rodney and Jana Davila, Missionaries to El Salvador and Grace Fellowship Presbyterian Church, Albertville, AL (Rev. Jackie Gaston).

**The Lord’s Day
January 28, 2024**