

Order of Worship February 5, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord. (2 Corinthians 10:17 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

People: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

Pastor: Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

ALL: Praise the LORD! *(Psalm 34:1-3, 8-10 ESV)*

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
Unresting, unhasting and silent as light;
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might.
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above,
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, o both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the True Life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render; O help us to see,
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"
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10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

*(Chorus) Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul/Worship His holy name;
Sing like never before, O my soul/I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *(Chorus)*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger;
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(Chorus)*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore! *(Chorus)*

*"10,000 Reasons" | Jonas Myrin
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Scripture Reading

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord." (1 Corinthians 1:18-31 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

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.

*"How Deep The Father's Love For Us" | Stuart Townend
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Corporate Confession of Sin

Pastor: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

People: Good and upright is the LORD, therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Pastor: He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

People: For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

(Psalm 25:6-11;16-18 ESV)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(1 John 1:8-9 ESV)*

Pastoral Prayer

Mark Hundscheid, Elder

Offertory

"Jesus Cast a Look on Me"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

“The Gospel of God: Tell Them What You Told Them”

Romans 3:27-31

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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.

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Benediction

Jesus, Cast A Look On Me

Jesus, cast a look on me/Give me sweet simplicity;
Make me poor, and keep me low/Seeking only Thee to know.

All that feeds my busy pride/Cast it evermore aside;
Bid my will to Thine submit/Lay me humbly at Thy feet.

Make me like a little child/Of my strength and wisdom spoiled;
Seeing only in Thy light/Walking only in Thy might.

Leaning on Thy loving breast/Where a weary soul can rest;
Feeling well the peace of God/Flowing from his precious blood.

In this posture, let me live/And hosannas daily give;
In this temper let me die/And hosannas ever cry.

“Jesus, Cast A Look On Me”
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest - Welcome to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here! If you would 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 9:45am.

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

New Members Class - Begins today, during the Sunday School hour, in the Family Life Center. The class will last for 6 weeks. This is an opportunity to learn more about Cornerstone and to pursue membership. Join us, even if you haven’t registered.

Communion - We will observe communion next Sunday, February 12th.

FOUNDATIONS - Join us for a meal on Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm. Afterwards discipleship opportunities for all ages are offered from 6:15 to 7:15pm. A nursery is provided. RSVP at cornerstonehuntsville.org/foundations or scan the QR code below to register.

- **Children’s Study:** *Survey of the Bible* led by Paige McClure.
- **Youth Group Study:** *II Timothy* led by Brian Russ.
- **Men’s Study:** *The Disciplines of a Godly Man* led by Shep Park and Joey Shelton.
- **Women’s Study:** *Confronting Jesus* led by Heidi Honeywell.
- **Seminar:** *Covenant Theology* led by Ed Pendergrass.
- **Leadership Training:** *Biblical Counseling* led by Wilson Shirley.

Women’s Monthly Prayer Time - Thursday, February 9th, at 10am, at the church. Email Elena Lewis at bruce.lewis.family@juno.com with prayer requests or questions.

Men’s Retreat - Join us to discuss *Spiritual Leadership in the Home, at Work, and in the Church* on February 24-25 at the Vision Retreat Center. Register at cornerstonehuntsville.org/events

RYM - For students 8th grade and up, RYM conference (July10-15) registration opened this week. Please email brian@cornerstonehuntsville.org to sign up and receive registration link.

Abounding - Visit cornerstoneabounding.org to learn more about the Abounding initiative.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for church members caring for family - Lora Abernathy, Diana Akridge, Bryan Gassaway, Rick McCann, Randy Petcher, Mike Bayless, Bill and JoAnn Sneed, Kyle Mosier, and Susan Dupré.

Pray for healing - Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Wendorfs, Phil Freeze, Gayle Ricks, Bob Boerner, and Beverly Park.

Pray for our nursing home resident - Ruby Petcher

Praise for the birth of Margaret Claire Patrick, on December 29, 2022, daughter of Matt and Ivy Patrick, and granddaughter of David and Polly Ricks.

Pray for our expectant mothers - Amy Eckenrode (July), Andrea Mace (July), Ashley Colette (August), and the Kawell adoption.

Pray that the Lord would raise up an assistant pastor to serve at Cornerstone.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Daniel Cohee and family (Pray for their transition to South Carolina) and Valley Presbyterian Church, Madison, AL (Pastor William Plott).

**The Lord’s Day
February 5, 2023**

