

Order of Worship

September 25, 2022

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. (Isaiah 40:28 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Pastor: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

Pastor: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

ALL: Praise the LORD! (Psalm 96:1-6 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing - Alleluia, alleluia.
Thou, burning sun with golden beam;
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam;
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Thou rushing wind that art so strong;
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along - O praise Him, alleluia.
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice!
Ye lights of evening find a voice!
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

And all ye men of tender heart
Forgiving others take your part - O sing ye, alleluia.
Ye, who long pain and sorrow bear;
Praise God and on Him cast your care.
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness - O praise Him, alleluia.
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son;
And praise the Spirit Three in One!
O praise Him, O praise Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

"All Creatures of Our God and King"
St. Francis of Assisi | William Henry Draper

Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands;
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within;
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God.
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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Scripture Reading

To whom then will you liken God, or what likeness compare with him? An idol! A craftsman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and casts for it silver chains. He who is too impoverished for an offering chooses wood that will not rot; he seeks out a skillful craftsman to set up an idol that will not move. Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of

the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:18-31 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; he must hold me fast.

*(Chorus) He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; his promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, he will hold me fast. *(Chorus)*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, he will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! *(Chorus)*

"He Will Hold Me Fast"
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Ministry Moment

Officer Election

Pastoral Prayer

Mike Honeywell, Elder

Offertory

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Brian Russ, Associate Pastor

The Gospel of God: "The Disordered Depravity of Man & the Amazing Grace of God"
Romans 1:24-32 *Page 939*

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

Sermon Notes:

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 - Continues this morning during Sunday School in the Family Life Center.

Called Congregational Meeting for Officer Elections - There will be a called congregational meeting today in the sanctuary for all members at the beginning of the Sunday school hour.

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

Youth Downtown Open - It's time for our 4th annual putt-putt competition, **TODAY**, from 4:30-6:30pm. Meet at Jimmy John's downtown on the square. See Pastor Brian for more details.

Youth hike and dinner! - Next Sunday, October 2. Meet at the Shirley's home at 3:00 PM. See youth ministry email communications for more details.

College and Career Lunch Today - The Shirley's are hosting a lunch for the College and Career Class today at their home on 2956 Elk Meadows Dr. SE.

Women's Fall Lake Retreat Day - Join us Saturday, October 15th from 8:30am-4:30pm at the Kimrey's lake house. Visit cornerstonehuntsville.org/events to register.

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, and Kyle Mosier.

Pray for healing - April DeJong, Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Berin Wendorf, Phil Freeze, Gayle Ricks, Luke McClure, Lauren Davenport, and Sharon Ibsen.

Pray for our nursing home resident - Ruby Petcher

Pray for our expectant mothers - Hillary Hornor (November) and Kawell (adoption).

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

Pray for our officer candidates and their families

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - INFOCUS and Grace Fellowship Presbyterian Church, Albertville, AL (Pastor Jackie Gaston).

**The Lord's Day
September 25, 2022**

