

Order of Worship

October 15, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"
(Romans 8:15 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Pastor: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Pastor: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

ALL: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
(Psalm 67 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

May The Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light, That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife, With boundless love and deepest joy with endless life.

*Chorus: May the peoples praise You/Let the nations be glad.
All Your blessing comes/That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus.*

All the earth is Yours and all within each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You to make Christ known.

May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard.
May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word. *(Chorus)*

This our holy privilege to declare Your praises and Your name
To every nation, tribe and tongue Your church proclaims. *(Chorus)*

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord! Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew, what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen, sound from His people again;
Gladly for all we adore Him.

"Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"
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Scripture Reading

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him. See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. (1 John 2:28-3:3 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.

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Missions Moment

Rev. Chris Granberry, Sacred Road Ministries

Pastoral Prayer

Shep Park, Elder

Offertory

"Arise My Soul, Arise"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

The Gospel of God: Adoption!

Romans 8:14-17

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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

Arise My Soul, Arise

*Arise, my soul, arise/Shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice/In my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands
Before the throne my Surety stands
My name is written on His hands.*

*Chorus: Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise/Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise/Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

*He ever lives above/For me to intercede;
His all redeeming love/His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race/His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. (Chorus)*

*My God is reconciled/His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child/I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. (Chorus)*

*"Arise My Soul, Arise"/Charles Wesley 1 Kevin Twit
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Sermon Notes:

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.

Name Tags - Available in the FLC lobby and in the Sunday School rooms for your convenience. Please put one on and greet your neighbor!

FOUNDATIONS - No FOUNDATIONS this week due to fall break. We will resume on the following Wednesday, October 25th.

Ladies' Monthly Prayer Meeting - Friday, October 27th at 10 am in the FLC gym.

Senior High Sunday Night Fellowship - High school students, please join us on November 5th from 7-8:30 pm at the Shorters' home for a time of fellowship.

Roots Winter Retreat - Registration is now open! The Roots Winter Retreat is January 19-21st and is for 6th-12th grade at Camp Toknowhim. It will be a great time of fellowship, hearing the Word, and worship. To register, visit www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news.

Restrooms Closed - For the next few Sundays, the restrooms on the 2nd floor, west end near adult Sunday School will be closed due to renovations. Please use the single restrooms on the 2nd floor or the restrooms in the FLC.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Abby Reese Wren, Gary Abernathy, Susie Shelton, Kendall Junen, Jack Trotter, Kelly Davenport, Palmer Summers, and Loren De Jong.

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

Pray for our expectant mothers - Olivia Clemons (January) and Lauren Hudgins (February).

Pray for our transition time during construction.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships -Friends serving in western Europe, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Athens, AL (Rev. Jeff Hooker), and Sacred Road Ministries (Chris and Mary Granberry).