

Order of Worship November 12, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? (Romans 8:32 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: **The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD!

People: **Who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed for us!

People: **Come! Let us celebrate the festival!**

(Psalm 46:1, 124:8, 145:9, 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 ESV)

Invocation

Mr. John Summers

Praise and Adoration

The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain: On Christ the solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. *(Refrain)*

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay. *(Refrain)*

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne. *(Refrain)*

*"The Solid Rock" | Edward Mote | William Batchel
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Scripture Reading

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God." (John 3:16-21 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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 (Bless The Lord)" | Jonas Myrin
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Pastoral Prayer

Paul Wendorf, Elder

Offertory

"Jesus Paid It All"

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

"The Gospel of God: The Greatest Thing God Could Ever Give Us"

Romans 8:31-32

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Song of Preparation

The Gospel Song

Holy God, in love, became perfect man to bear my blame.
On the cross He took my sin; by His death I live again.

*"The Gospel Song" Bob Kauflin and Drew Jones
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Corporate Profession of Faith: The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.*
The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church**, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Christ was buried, and continuing in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day (WLC #50)
**catholic means the universal, world-wide church

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Please hold the elements so we can take them individually and corporately.
Please feel free to pray, sing or quietly meditate as the elements are passed.
Gluten-free bread is available, please let the elders know as they pass the bread.
Children and guests who have not made a personal profession of faith in Christ and have not become a communing member of this (or some other) church are welcome to stay and watch but please do not partake.*

(1 Corinthians 11:23-30)

We Will Feast In The House of Zion

*Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
Upheld, protected, gathered up. *(Chorus)*

In the dark of night before the dawn,
My soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh how long
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. *(Chorus)*

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed;
You are the faithful one,
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom. *(Chorus)*

*“We Will Feast In The House of Zion”
Joshua Moore | Sandra McCracken | © 2015 Drink Your Tea Music*

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

Jesus Paid It All

*I hear the Savior say, Thy strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all.*

*Chorus: Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow.*

*Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone,
Can change the leper’s spots, and melt the heart of stone. (Chorus)*

*For nothing good have I where-by Thy grace to claim
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary’s Lamb. (Chorus)*

*And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat. (Chorus)*

*“Jesus Paid It All”Words by Elvina M. Hall (1865)
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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.

Women’s Ministry Events - *For more information and to sign up, please visit www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news and scroll down to “Upcoming Events”.*

Jesse Tree Christmas Party - Ladies (college-aged and older), please join us on Sunday, November 26th from 4-5:30 pm as we enjoy an ornament exchange with cookies and cocoa! This event requires 25 women to sign up to make 25 of the same ornament. For additional details, please visit our website.

Cornerstone College Exam Boxes - The last day to drop off items is today—look for the collection box in the FLC. All slots for donated items are full. Any are welcome to help assemble the boxes on November 17th at 9 am in the FLC. For details, please contact Betsy Morgan at (256) 541-1658.

Ordination Service - Please join us next Sunday at the 8:30 am service for the ordination and installation of John Summers as Assistant Pastor at Cornerstone.

Thanksgiving Potluck Lunch - Sunday, November 19th at noon after the second service. The main dish and beverages are provided. Last names A-J bring a dessert and K-Z bring a side. Please RSVP at www.cornerstonehuntsville.org/news under “Upcoming Events”.

Thanksgiving for International Students - If you are interested in hosting one or more international students from UAH this Thanksgiving with InFocus, please email Harold Bryer at sheprest@hotmail.com. For more information, you can contact Seth Waldecker at seth@paradigms.net.

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, Bonnie Stock, and Mike and Carol Welfare.

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Matthew Lawrence, Abby Reese Wren, Gary Abernathy, Kendall Junen, Jack Trotter, Kelly Davenport, Palmer Summers, Loren and April De Jong, Kevin McClure, Elizabeth Shorter, and David Zimmerman.

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

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

Pray for the Edmondson family with the passing of Rich’s mother, Kay, this past week.

Pray for our transition time during construction.

Pray for peace in Israel and Ukraine.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - InFocus and Redeemer Church of the Shoals, Florence, AL (Pastor Olan Stubbs).

**The Lord’s Day
November 12, 2023**