

Order of Worship

June 18, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Let the righteous one rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in him! Let all the upright in heart exult! (Psalm 64:10 ESV)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant and a song of praise is fitting.

People: The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals up the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Pastor: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

People: Great is the LORD, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

Pastor: The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

ALL: Praise the Lord! (Psalm 147:1-6 ESV)

Invocation

Praise and Adoration

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,
Lord Sa-ba-oth, His Name, from age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
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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)

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Scripture Reading

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck. My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent. If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood; let us ambush the innocent without reason; like Sheol let us swallow them alive, and whole, like those who go down to the pit; we shall find all precious goods, we shall fill our houses with plunder; throw in your lot among us; we will all have one purse" — my son, do not walk in the way with them; hold back your foot from their paths, for their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed blood. For in vain is a net spread in the sight of any bird, but these men lie in wait for their own blood; they set an ambush for their own lives. Such are the ways of everyone who is greedy for unjust gain; it takes away the life of its possessors. (Proverbs 1:8–19 ESV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Jesus, What A Friend for Sinners

Jesus! What a friend for sinners
Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

*Chorus: Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.*

Jesus! What a strength in weakness
Let me hide myself in Him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. (Chorus)

Jesus! What a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking
He, my comfort, helps my soul. (Chorus)

Jesus! I do now receive Him
More than all in Him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness
I am His, and He is mine. (Chorus)

"Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners"
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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. (John 1:8-9 ESV)

Pastoral Prayer

Paul Wendorf, Elder

Offertory

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

"Protection from the Throng of Evildoers!"

Psalms 64

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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

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.

Youth Group - Summer Youth Group continues this Wednesday night, June 21st, from 6pm-7:30pm. We are continuing our study, Songs of Summer, as we look at a selection of Psalms. We will have snacks and game time as well! Invite a friend and come join us!

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for healing - Suzi and Bill Bolton, Phil Freeze, Anne Harbarger, Mary Allen Junen, Matthew Lawrence, Mari Wendorf, and Abby Reese Wren.

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

Pray for our expectant mothers - Amy Eckenrode (July), Andrea Mace (July), Ashley Colette (August), Christina Hall (August), Sami Pottorf (August), Denia Dillon (August), and Melanie Bray (September).

Pray for The Joni and Friends and Yakama Summer Mission Teams.

Pray for our Missional Partnerships - Vantage Leadership Initiative (Bob Boerner and Nathan Eldridge) and Decatur Presbyterian Church, Decatur, AL (Pastor Scott Phillips).

The Lord's Day
June 18, 2023