



# CORNERSTONE

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

*Second Sunday of Epiphany*

*14 January 2018*

## *Welcome to Worship*

If you are reading this in worship, I want you to know something—you *are an answer to prayer*. Each Sunday before worship, I ask God to bring into our midst exactly who He desires would be there. Since you are with us today, I believe God has a blessing in store for you. I am prayerful as we worship together today, that blessing will be received and enjoyed.

To that end, this service of worship has been designed that we might know God and the glory of the gospel of Jesus Christ. From the summons to worship at the beginning to the sending out into the world at the benediction, that you might know God, the truth and joy of salvation, and be equipped to answer the call to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Following the service, feel free to approach one of our elders (the men who help serve the Lord's Supper) with any prayer needs or questions you may have. I believe you will find them to be warm, inviting, and eager to serve. Please know I would personally enjoy getting to meet you this morning following the service, so please stop by and see me at the front door of the chapel.

It is my sincere prayer that your experience today at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is one that blesses you spiritually and strengthens your faith in the Lord.

Grace & Peace,  
Rev. Nate Shurden

### *Sunday School Schedule*

**Nursery** (basement)

**PreK:** Room I04 (basement)

Joe and Joy Marlo; Assistant: Kristin Lee

**K/I<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Room I03 (basement)

Teacher: Michelle Marshall; Assistant: Mark Elliott

**2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Room I0I (basement)

Teacher: Bob Wolk; Assistant: Anneke Seely

**4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Comenius Room (third floor)

Teacher: Ronda Laventure; Assistant: Julia Grounds

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Schaeffer Room (third floor)

Teacher: Charlotte Robinson; Assistant: Mary Lynn Giles

**Youth** (7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> and I0<sup>th</sup>-I2<sup>th</sup>) at Merridees

**Adult**

The Chapel Class: *Count it All Joy* (Chapel)

Koinonia Class: *The Westminster Confession of Faith* (Kuyper Room 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

Exploring Cornerstone (Room 204)

Worship is a response to the love of God that brings us out of darkness into his light. The rhythm and flow of the service reflects this present reality as God calls his people and reveals himself, forgives their sins, teaches them from his Word, the Bible, feeds them, and then sends them out to live what they have learned.

This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

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*God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.*

### Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

#### Introit—O Splendor of God's Glory Bright, Vs I

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano line (bass clef). The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6, D6, E6, F#6, G6, A6, B6, C7, D7, E7, F#7, G7, A7, B7, C8, D8, E8, F#8, G8, A8, B8, C9, D9, E9, F#9, G9, A9, B9, C10, D10, E10, F#10, G10, A10, B10, C11, D11, E11, F#11, G11, A11, B11, C12, D12, E12, F#12, G12, A12, B12, C13, D13, E13, F#13, G13, A13, B13, C14, D14, E14, F#14, G14, A14, B14, C15, D15, E15, F#15, G15, A15, B15, C16, D16, E16, F#16, G16, A16, B16, C17, D17, E17, F#17, G17, A17, B17, C18, D18, E18, F#18, G18, A18, B18, C19, D19, E19, F#19, G19, A19, B19, C20, D20, E20, F#20, G20, A20, B20, C21, D21, E21, F#21, G21, A21, B21, C22, D22, E22, F#22, G22, A22, B22, C23, D23, E23, F#23, G23, A23, B23, C24, D24, E24, F#24, G24, A24, B24, C25, D25, E25, F#25, G25, A25, B25, C26, D26, E26, F#26, G26, A26, B26, C27, D27, E27, F#27, G27, A27, B27, C28, D28, E28, F#28, G28, A28, B28, C29, D29, E29, F#29, G29, A29, B29, C30, D30, E30, F#30, G30, A30, B30, C31, D31, E31, F#31, 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## Call to Worship—Psalm 104:24, 31-35

Pastor: O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

All: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works,

Pastor: He looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!

All: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Pastor: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!

## The Refrain for the Second Sunday of Epiphany—Colossians 3:1-2

Pastor: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

All: Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

## Hymn of Praise—All Creatures of Our God and King

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment and a vocal line. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 3/4 time. The piano part features a steady bass line with chords, while the vocal line has a melody with lyrics. The lyrics are as follows:

All crea - tures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us  
Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in Heaven a -  
And all ye men of ten - der heart, For - giv - ing oth - ers, take your  
Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And wor - ship Him in hum - ble -  
sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en  
long, O — praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing moon, in praise re -  
part, O — sing ye! Al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row  
ness, O — praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the  
beam, Thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam! O — praise Him! O —  
joice, Ye lights of even - ing, find a voice! O — praise Him! O —  
bear, Praise God and on Him cast your care! O — praise Him! O —  
Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One! O — praise Him! O —

praise Him! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

praise Him! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

praise Him! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

praise Him! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Text: Francis of Assisi, c. 1225, Tr William Draper, 1919; Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN., Cologne, 1623.

## Hymn of Praise—Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him with man-y crowns, the Lamb up-on His throne. Hark!

Crown Him the Lord of life, who tri-umphed o'er the grave, And

Crown Him the Lord of love, be-hold His hands and side, Rich

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Po-ten-tate of time, Cre-

How the heav'n-ly an-them—drowns all mus-ic but its own. A-

rose vic-tor-ious in the—strife for those He came to save. His

wounds, yet vis-i-ble a-bove, in beau-ty glor-i-fied. No

a-tor of the roll-ing—spheres, in-eff-a-bly sub-lime. All

wake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, And

glo-ries now we sing, who died, and rose on high, Who

an-gel in the sky can ful-ly bear that sight, But

hail, Re-deem-er, hail! For Thou has died for me; Thy

hail Him as thy match-less King through all e-ter-ni-ty.

died e-ter-nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

down-ward bends his burn-ing eye at mys-ter-ies so bright.

praise and glor-y shall not fail through-out e-ter-ni-ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1852; Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1868.

+++Latecomers Please Wait to be Seated+++

## Old Testament Reading—Psalm 104:1-9

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

2 covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.

3 He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters;

he makes the clouds his chariot; he rides on the wings of the wind;

4 he makes his messengers winds, his ministers a flaming fire.

5 He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved.

6 You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

7 At your rebuke they fled; at the sound of your thunder they took to flight.

8 The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that you appointed for them.

9 You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

## The Refrain for the Second Sunday of Epiphany—Colossians 3:1-2

Leader: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

All: Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

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*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

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## Sung Preparation—Come, O Redeemer, Come



Fa - ther en-throned on high, Ho - ly, Ho - ly: An - cient e - ter - nal light, hear our prayer.  
Look now up - on our need, Lord be, with us; heal us and make us free, from our sin.



Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us mer-cy. Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us peace.

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## Call to Confession—Psalm 51:15, 17

Leader: O Lord, open my lips,

All: and my mouth will declare your praise.

Leader: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

All: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

## Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Colossians 3:12-17

Leader: Lord, we come confessing. As your chosen ones,  
we have not always put on compassionate hearts, kindness or humility.

All: You have called us holy and beloved,  
but yet we fail to be meek and patient, nor do we bear with one another.

Leader: As You have forgiven us, so we also must forgive.

All: We neglect to put on love  
which should bind everything together in perfect harmony.

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts—for this we have been called as one body.

All: **Help us shift the gaze from our own lives, and be thankful.**

Leader: May Your Word dwell in us richly that we may teach and admonish one another  
in all wisdom as we sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs.

All: **Let these melodies fill us with thankfulness in our hearts to You.**

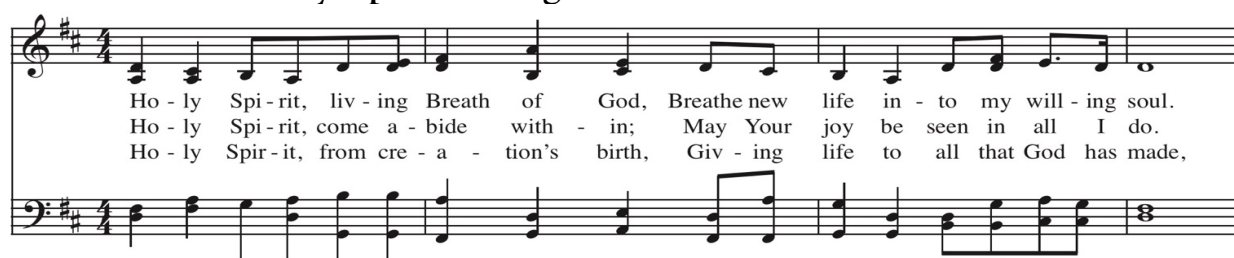
## Silent Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Pardon—from Colossians I:16-17, 19-20

By Christ, all things were created in heaven and on earth—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

+++Latecomers are Welcome to be Seated+++

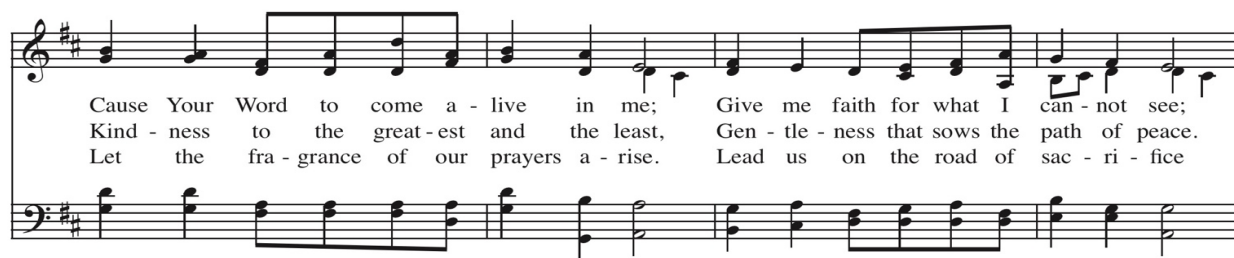
### Hymn of Praise—Holy Spirit, Living Breath of Life



Ho - ly Spi - rit, liv - ing Breath of God, Breathe new life in - to my will - ing soul.  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, come a - bide with - in; May Your joy be seen in all I do.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, from cre - a - tion's birth, Giv - ing life to all that God has made,



Bring the pre - sence of the ris - en Lord To re - new my heart and make me whole.  
Love e - nough to co - ver ev - 'ry sin In each thought and deed and at - ti - tude,  
Show Your pow - er once a - gain on earth; Cause Your church to hun - ger for Your ways.



Cause Your Word to come a - live in me; Give me faith for what I can - not see;  
Kind - ness to the great - est and the least, Gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace.  
Let the fra - grance of our prayers a - rise. Lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice



Give me pass - ion for Your pu - r - ity. Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe new life in me.  
Turn my striv - ing in - to works of grace. Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.  
That in un - i - ty the face of Christ Will be clear for all the world to see.



## GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

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### The Reading of the Word—Genesis I:I-25

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup> And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup> And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” <sup>7</sup> And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup> And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. <sup>10</sup> God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>11</sup> And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup> And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. <sup>16</sup> And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup> And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup> And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” <sup>21</sup> So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup> And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.”

<sup>23</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup> And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. <sup>25</sup> And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Sermon—New Beginnings: A Study of Genesis, pt 2

*The Forming and Filling of Creation*

—Nate Shurden, *Pastor*



## Sung Response—For the Beauty of the Earth, Vs I

For the beau - ty of the Earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the bass line.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864; Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1838, Arr by William H. Monk, 1861.

## Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
    who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
    On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into Heaven  
    and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
    from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We 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.

\* "Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

## Matthew 11:28-30 & Psalm 34:8

Pastor: Jesus said: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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

## The Refrain for the Second Sunday of Epiphany—Colossians 3:1-4

Pastor: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

All: Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Pastor: For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

All: When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

## Sung Response—Gloria

WOMEN



Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace to His peo-ple on earth.

MEN



Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace to His peo-ple on earth. We praise



earth. Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace on earth. We praise



You! We bless You! We a - dore You! We glo - ri - fy!



We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks for Your glo - ry.

We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks.

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## Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

### Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

*The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.*

*If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.*

*At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.*

### Psalm for Epiphany—Psalm 8: O Lord, Our Lord in All the Earth



O Lord, our Lord, in all the earth, How ex - cel - lent Your name! Your  
When I re - gard the won - drous heavens, Your hand - i - work on high, The  
For You have made him lit - tle less Than Your blest an - gels be; With  
You have sub - ject - ed all to him, And lord of all is he, Of



glo - ry You have spread a - far In all the star - ry frame. From  
moon and stars You have or - dained, Oh, what is man! I cry. Oh,  
hon - or You have crowned his head And glo - rious dig - ni - ty. On  
flocks and herds, and beasts and birds, And all with - in the sea. Your



lips of child - ren, You, O Lord, Have might - y strength or - dained, That  
what is man, in Your re - gard To hold so large a place! And  
man Your wis - dom has be - stowed A pow'r well nigh di - vine; With  
migh - ty works and won - drous grace Your glo - ry, Lord, pro - claim. O



ad - ver - sar - ies should be stilled And venge - ful foes re - strained.  
what the son of man, that You Do vis - it him in grace!  
hon - or You have crowned his head With glo - ry like to Thine.  
Lord, our Lord, in all the earth How ex - cel - lent Your name!

Text: The Psalter, 1912: Music: KENTUCKY, Southern Harmony.

## Hymn of Communion—Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat



Ap - proach, my soul, the mer - cy seat, Where Je - sus an - swers prayer; There  
Bowed down be - neath a load of sin, By Sa - tan sore - ly pressed, By  
O won - drous love! to bleed and die, To bear the cross and shame, That



hum - bly fall be - fore His feet, For none can per - ish there. Thy pro - mise is my  
war with - out and fears with - in, I come to Thee for rest. Be Thou my Shield and  
guil - ty sin - ners, such as I, Might plead Thy gra - cious name. "Poor tem - pest - toss - ed



on - ly plea, With this I ven - ture nigh; Thou call - est bur - dened  
hid - ing Place, That, shel - tered by Thy side, I may my fierce ac -  
soul, be still; My pro - mised grace re - ceive;" 'Tis Je - sus speaks: I



souls to Thee, And such, O Lord, am I. And such, O Lord, am I.  
cu - ser face, And tell him Thou hast died! And tell him Thou hast died!  
must, I will, I can, I do be - lieve. I can, I do be - lieve.

Text: John Newton, 1779; Music: APPROACH MY SOUL, Gregory Wilbur, 2011. ©2011 Greyfriars Press

### Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

If you are not able to partake in the Lord's Supper today, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of Belief.* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Prayer of Commitment.* Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

### Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

#### *The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

### Hymn of Praise—Glory be to God the Father

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The first system contains the first line of the hymn. The second system contains the second line. The third system contains the third line. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God the Son, Glo - ry  
Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain! Glo - ry  
Glo - ry to the king of an - gels, Glor - y to the Church - 's king, Glo - ry  
"Glo-ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings; "Ho-nor,  
be to God the Spir - it, Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo-ry,  
be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo-ry,  
to the king of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais - es bring; Glo-ry,  
rich - es, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo-ry,  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, While e - ter - nal ag - es run!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the King of glo - ry bring!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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## GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

### Benediction—Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. *Amen.*

### Sung Response—Christ Be With Me (from St. Patrick's Breastplate)

Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me, Christ be-fore me, Christ be-side me, Christ to win me, Christ to com-fort and re-store me, Christ be-neath me, Christ a-bove me, Christ in qui-et, Christ in dan-ger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran-ger.

Text: *Atomring indui niurt tren*, St. Patrick, 372-466, Trans by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-95;  
Music: ST. PATRICK CLONMACNOISE, Traditional Irish Hymn Melody.

**Prayer Focus**—End Slavery Tennessee (ESTN) is a nonprofit organization that aims to stop the epidemic of human trafficking in Tennessee. Founded in 2008, ESTN's staff and volunteers work to promote healing of human trafficking survivors as well as to strategically confront slavery in our state. The organization has nine affiliated community groups currently meeting in Brentwood, Clarksville, Franklin, Mt. Juliet, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Spring Hill, West Central and West Nashville.

- Pray for the healing and coping skills of all the survivors in our care
- Pray for the staff's discernment and self-care
- Pray for the girls transitioning out of our safe houses, to not take on too much too fast.

## **Home Fellowship Groups**

**River Landing**—Jim & Gwen Smith

Second and Fourth Sundays, 6:00pm, Smith's house, Book discussion

**West Nashville**—Andy & Katie Patton

Every other Sunday, 5:00pm, Patton's house, Sermon discussion

**Upper Room**—Bob & Cindi Wolk

First and Third Sundays after Second service at Cornerstone, Sermon discussion

**Liberty Pike**—Dan Fiedler & Carl Ware

Second and Fourth Sundays, 4:30-6:30pm, Ware's house, Sermon discussion

**Grassland**—Steve Green & John Marquardt

First and Third Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Green's house, sermon discussion and studying Colossians

**South Franklin**—John & Allison Millard

Every other Sunday, 5:00pm, Millard's House, Sermon discussion

**East Franklin**—Mark & Lindsey Elliott

First, Second, and Third Sundays after the Second Service, Elliott's house, Sermon discussion

**Fieldstone/Cottonwood**—Greg & Sophia Wilbur

Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays, 5:00pm, Wilbur's house, Sermon discussion

**Downtown**—Joe & Josephine Haworth

First and Third Mondays, 6:30-8:30pm, Cornerstone Third Floor, Sermon discussion



Today's message, "The Forming and Filling of Creation" is taken from Genesis 1:1-25. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family, friends, or Home Fellowship Group.

- How do the terms *tohu wabohu* ("without form and void") in Genesis 1:2 provide the outline for the unfolding of the days of creation?
- It's noteworthy that the post-exodus Israelites were the original audience of Genesis. How does the creation story of Genesis stand in opposition to the popular notions in Egypt regarding creation?
- Many in our time claim that the creation account of Genesis 1-2 is nothing more than a myth and should not be understood or treated as history. What is wrong with this perspective? Why is it critical that we understand the creation account of Genesis 1-2 as history?
- Gnosticism teaches that spiritual things are good and material things are bad. The Christian church, sadly, has fallen into such notions throughout its history. How does the Bible's creation story refute Gnostic tendencies and draw us toward the goodness of creation?
- Take time now to reflect on your engagement with creation. How is the Lord calling you into deeper connection to and appreciation of creation as an act of worship to God? Discuss various ways (disciplines or practices) that would foster a deeper relationship to God through creation.

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