

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

Last Sunday of Epiphany

07 February 2016

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

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.

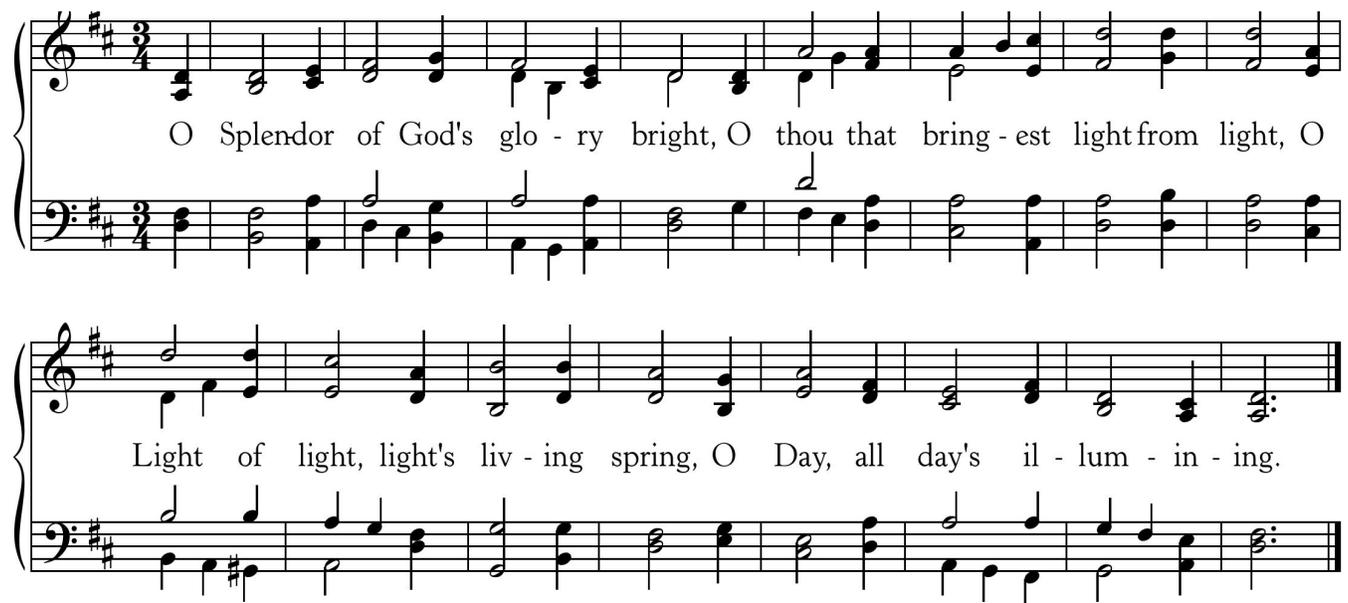
This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

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



O Splendor of God's glo - ry bright, O thou that bring - est light from light, O

Light of light, light's liv - ing spring, O Day, all day's il - lum - in - ing.

Text: St. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Music: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR, Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621.

Call to Worship—Psalm 96:I-6

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

All: 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!

All: 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.

All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Hymn of Praise—For the Beauty of the Earth

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,
for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
grac - es hu - man and di - vine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.
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Text: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1864; Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1838, Arr by William H. Monk, 1861.

Hymn of Praise—Psalm 100: All Earth With Joy

All earth, with joy, to the LORD come with loud voic - es ring -
En - ter His gates with thanks - giv - ing, to His courts come prais -

ing. With glad - ness serve the LORD; come to Him joy - ful - ly
ing. To Him be thank - ful, and bless His name, your voic - es

sing - ing. The LORD is God, Know that He made us His
rais - ing. The LORD is good; His lov - ing - kind - ness en -

own. We are the sheep of His pas - ture.
dures, His faith - ful - ness lasts for - ev - er.

Text: Psalm 100; Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665, Arr. in *Praxis Pietatis Melica*, 1668

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

Old Testament Reading—Psalm 67

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
- 2 that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
- 6 The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.
- 7 God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Commissioning—Molly Goen, Iraq

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

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.

Sung Response—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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Corporate Confession of Sin—based on I Timothy 1:6-14

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. You have not given us a spirit of fear
but of power and love and self-control.

**All: But we have not fanned into flames
the gift that You have placed within us for Your purposes.**

Pastor: You have saved us and called us to a holy calling,
not because of our works but because of Your own purpose and grace
which You gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.

**All: We confess there are times
that we have been ashamed of this testimony about our Lord.**

Pastor: Your grace has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,
who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel—
and we have been called to proclaim and teach this.

**All: But there are times in which we have kept silent of this testimony
For we fear sharing in suffering for the sake of the gospel.**

Pastor: May we not be ashamed, for we know whom we have believed,
and we are convinced that You are able to guard until that Day
what has been entrusted to us.

**All: Give us grace to follow and proclaim the life-giving words of the gospel
in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.**

Pastor: By the Holy Spirit, guard the good deposit You have entrusted to us.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—from Romans I:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

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

Hymn of Praise—How Sweet and Awesome, Vs I-5

How sweet and awe - some is the place With
While all our hearts and all our songs Join
"Why was I made to hear thy voice, And
'Twas the same love that spread the feast That
Pit - - y the na - tions, O our God, Con -

Christ with in the doors, While ev - er - last - ing
to ad - mire the feast, Each of us cry, with
en - - - ter while there's room, When thou - sands make a
sweet - ly drew us in; Else we had still re -
strain the earth to come; Send thy vic - to - rious

love dis - plays The choic - est of her stores.
thank - ful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?
wretch - ed choice, And rath - er starve than come?"
fused to taste, And per - ished in our sin.
Word a - broad, And bring the strang - ers home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1707; Music: ST. COLUMBA, Old Irish Tune.

Missions Report

—Matt Bradley, *Planting Pastor of All Saints Presbyterian Church Plant in Brentwood*

—J Hager, *Planting Pastor of Flatrock Community Church in Woodbine*

GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Matthew 16:13-20

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” 14 And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” 15 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16 Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” 17 And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Sermon—*I Will Build My Church*

—Tony Giles, *Assistant Pastor*

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.

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Profession of Faith—The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own,¹ but belong—
body and soul, in life and in death²—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.³

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,⁴
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.⁵

He also watches over me in such a way⁶
that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven;⁷
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.⁸

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life⁹
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.¹⁰

1 I I Cor. 6:19-20

2 Rom. 14:7-9

3 I I Cor. 3:23; Titus 2:14

4 I I Pet. 1:18-19; I John 1:7-9; 2:2

5 John 8:34-36; Heb. 2:14-15; I John 3:1-11

6 John 6:39-40; 10:27-30; 2 Thess. 3:3; I I Pet. 1:5

7 Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 21:16-18

8 Rom. 8:28

9 Rom. 8:15-16; 2 Cor. 1:21-22; 5:5; Eph. 1:13-14

10 Rom. 8:1-17

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.

Hymn of Communion—Come Ye Sinners



Come, ye sin - ners, — poor and need - y, Weak and wound-ed, — sick and sore;
Come, ye thirst - y, — come, and wel - come, God's free bount - y — glor - i - fy;
Come, ye wear - y, — heav - y lad - en, Lost and ru - ined by the fall;
Let not con - science make you lin - ger, Nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;



Je - sus read - y stands to save you, Full of pit - y, — love and power.
True be - lief and true re - pen - tance, Ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. —
If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, You will nev - er — come at all. —
All the fit - ness He re - quir - eth Is to feel your need of Him. —



I will a - rise and — go to Je - sus, He will embrace me — in His — arms;



In the arms — of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Text: Joseph Hart, 1712-1768; Music: Southern Harmony, 1835.

Hymn of Communion—Not What My Hands Have Done

Not what my hands have done can save my guilt - ty soul; Not
Your voice a - lone, O Lord, can speak to me of grace; Your
Thy work a - lone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin; Thy
I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love di - vine; And
 I praise the God of grace; I trust His truth and might; He

what my toil - ing flesh has borne can make my spir - it whole. Not
power a - lone, O Son of God, can all my sin e - raise. No
blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace with - in. Thy
with un - fal - tering lip and heart I call this Sav - ior mine. His
 calls me His, I call Him mine, My God, my joy and light. 'Tis

what I feel or do can give me peace with God; Not all my prayers and
oth - er work but Yours, no oth - er blood will do; No strength but that which
love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to Thee, Can rid me of this
cross dis - pels each doubt; I bur - y in His tomb Each thought of un - be -
 He Who save - th me, and free - ly par - don gives; I love be - cause He

sighs and tears can bear my aw - ful load.
is di - vine can bear me safe - ly through.
dark un - rest, And set my spir - it free.
lief and fear, each lin - gering shade of gloom.
 lov - eth me, I live be - cause He lives.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1861; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2013.

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—Psalm 9: O Lord Most High



O Lord most high, with all my heart Thy won-drous works I will pro - claim; I
Je - ho - vah will a re - fuge prove, A re - fuge strong for all op - pressed, A



will be glad and give Thee thanks And sing the prais - es of Thy name. And sing the
safe re - treat, where wear - y souls In troub - lous times may sure - ly rest. In troub - lous



prais - es of Thy name. The Lord, the ev - er - last - ing King, Is
times may sure - ly rest. All they, O Lord, that know Thy name Their
Sing prais - es to the Lord most high; To



seat - ed on His throne; The right - eous Judge of all the world Will
con - fi - dence will place, For Thou hast ne'er for - sak - en them Who
Him who in Zi - on dwells; De - clare His migh - ty deeds ab - road, His



make His per - fect jus - tice known. Will make His per - fect jus - tice known.
earn - est - ly have sought Thy face. Who earn - est - ly have sought Thy face.
deeds a - mong the na - tions tell. His deeds a - mong the na - tions tell.

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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—from Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sung Response—How Sweet and Awesome, Vs 6

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "We long to see thy church - es full, That all the cho - sen race May with one voice and heart and soul, Sing thy re - deem - ing grace." The second system includes a triplet of eighth notes in the vocal line.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1707; Music: ST. COLUMBA, Old Irish Tune.

Church Plants Supported by Cornerstone

- Redeemer Church in Murfreesboro: Paul & Rachel Boyd
- Beth Sar Shalom Church in Shelbyville: David Carrerra
- Bridge International in Nashville: Tim & Phemie Tan
- Grace Clovis Presbyterian Church in Clovis, California: Brad Mills
- Christ Community Church in Fayetteville, Arkansas: Hunter Bailey
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- Matt Bradley – All Saints Presbyterian, Brentwood
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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

God built within His people an innate desire to celebrate, to mark seasons and events, to set up “stones of remembrance” so that we do not forget His goodness and promises. One method that the Church has used over time is dividing each year according to the events in the life of Christ—a reminder of redemptive history. Although the Church Calendar is not prescribed by Scripture, it can be a useful framework or tool to help walk our hearts through the Gospel every year.

The major divisions of the liturgical year are:

- **Advent**—The four Sundays leading to Christmas; preparation for the coming of Christ and the need for a Savior
- **Christmas** and the Twelve Days—Celebration of the Incarnation and the Gift of Christ, our Redeemer
- **Epiphany**—January 6; Coming of the Magi for Christ is the Light of the World; Hope for the Gentiles; Kingship of Christ
- **Lent**—from Ash Wednesday to Easter; repentance and reflection; recognition that our sinfulness leads to the cross; intentional time to exercise the disciplines of grace
- **Holy Week**—Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday; Jesus as King, Priest, Prophet; The remembrance that the shedding of blood was necessary for the forgiveness of sins
- **Easter**—Resurrection of the Living Lord; the conquering of death and sin
- **Ascension**—Christ in Power at the right hand of the Father; Christ interceding as the Mediator
- **Pentecost**—Coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church; God sends out His people as the Church
- **Ordinary Time**—The weeks between Pentecost and Advent; Living in light of the Gospel as the Church

1. What are common images (or opinions) of the church among your non-Christian friends? What could prompt them to take a closer look?
2. How do you avoid falling into the category of “consumer of religious goods and services?” In what ways might you be a consumer? What impact would a shift from “consumer” to “consumed with Christ” have on your life?
3. Chris Wright asserts, “It is not so much the case that God has a mission for his church in the world, as that God has a church for his mission in the world. Mission was not made for the church; the church was made for mission – God’s mission.” How might that change the ways we think about the church? The ways we order our lives as followers of Christ?
4. What are some ways you can participate in efforts to plant churches? What would it take for you to “go” with others to see your particular community reached?
5. Take some time now to pray for church plants and church planters in our presbytery and the group gathering regularly to explore that possibility in Spring Hill.

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