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—This Joyful Eastertide

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!

My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow!

Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,

Our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen.

Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river:

Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver,

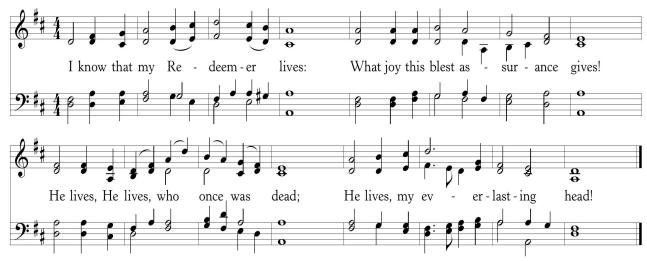
My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber,

till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

Text: George R. Woodward, 1894; Music: 17th century Dutch Melody.

Announcements & Preparation

Introit—I Know that My Redeemer Lives, Vs I



Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-99; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793.

Call to Worship—Romans I:3-5; Job 19:25

Christ is risen! Pastor:

A11: He is risen indeed!

Pastor: For Jesus Christ our Lord is declared to be the Son of God in power according to

the Spirit of holiness by His resurrection from the dead—through whom we have

received grace.

All: I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

A11: He is risen indeed!

Hymn of Praise—Christ the Lord is Risen Today



Text: Charles Wesley, 1739; Music: EASTER HYMN, Lyra Davidica, 1708.

Hymn of Praise—Christ Is Risen! Hallelujah!



Text: James S.B. Monsell, 1863; Music: FOUNT OF GLORY, R.W. Thompson, 1864, Adapted Gregory Wilbur. ©2010 Gregory D Wilbur

(Please be seated)

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Hymn of Praise—I Will Glory in My Redeemer



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GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Luke 24:I-I2

I But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. 2 And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. 5 And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? 6 He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7 that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." 8 And they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles,

II but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12 But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

Elder: The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

Sermon—The Gospel of Luke, Part 96

He is Risen Indeed

—Nate Shurden, Pastor

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.

Corporate Prayer of Confession—based on I Corinthians 15:12-20

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Christ is proclaimed as risen from the dead.

All: But we act as if there was no resurrection of the dead.

Pastor: But if there is no resurrection of the dead then not even Christ has been raised.

All: Our faith is in vain because we act as if Christ has not been raised.

Pastor: We misrepresent God because we testify that He raised Christ from the grave,

All: But we live functionally like there is no resurrection.

Pastor: For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised.

All: And if Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile and we are still in our sins.

Pastor: If in Christ we have hope in life only,

All: We are of all people most to be pitied.

Pastor: But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead,

the firstfruits of them who have fallen asleep.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—II Corinthians 5:14-15

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

Sung Response—Sanctus



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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.

^{* &}quot;Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

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.

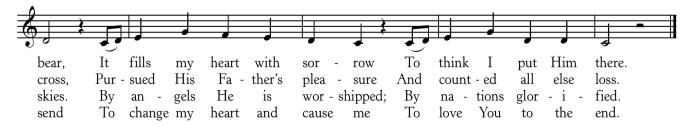
Hymn of Communion—There Is No Greater Portrait



There is no great-er por - trait Of love and sac - ri - fice Than Je - sus leav - ing He ran the race be-fore Him Though it was filled with pain, And walked the road to The Son of Man was lift - ed Be - fore cre - a - tion's eyes; Was mocked and scorned by O Sav-ior, let this sin - ner Be ran-somed by the flood Of mer - cy and for-

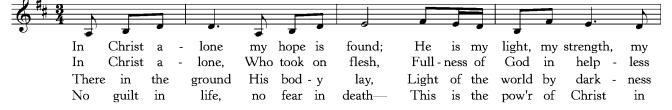


glo - ry And lay - ing down His life. When I look on the suf-fer-ings My Sav - ior chose to glo - ry In a - go - ny and shame. Then for the joy be-fore Him, He chose to bear the sol - diers, By kings and priests de - spised. But now the Son is ris - en, As - cend - ed to the give - ness A - bun - dant in Your blood. O Lord, be my sal - va - tion, Your Ho - ly Spir - it



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Hymn of Praise—In Christ Alone





from slain; Then burst-ing forth in glor-ious day, Up the grave He rose a -From life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je sus com - mands my des ti -



What heights of storm. love. what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when striv-ings Till on that les - us died, The wrath of God sat - is save. cross as was gain! And as He stands in vic - to - ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on No of hell, no scheme of man, Can ev pluck me from His ny. pow'r



Here For ev'-ry laidlive. fied; sin on Him was in the death of Christ For T His and He mine-Bought with the prec-ious blood of Christ. am is me: re - turns or calls me home-Here in the pow'r ofChrist I'll stand.

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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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

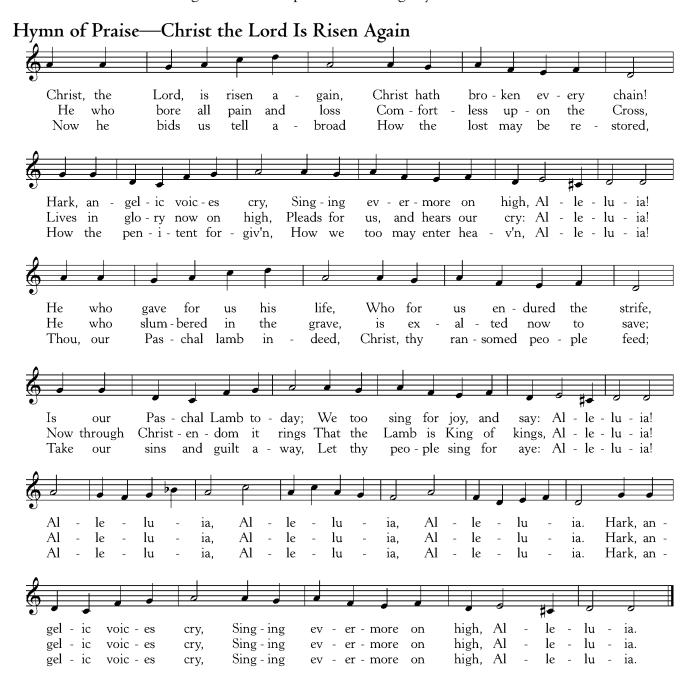
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.

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.



Text: Michael Weisse, c. 1480-1534, Tr Catherine Winkworth, 1829-78; Music: CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN, German Carol, 12th century.

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.

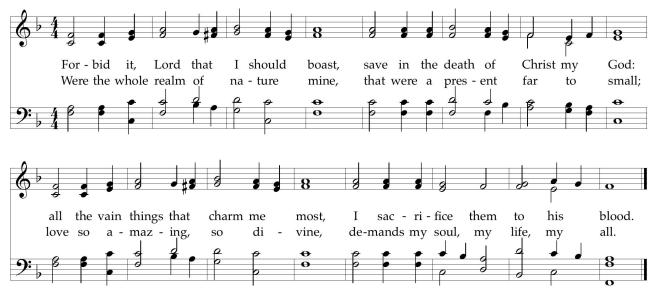
Benediction—Revelation 5:11-12

Pastor: I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

Sung Response—When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, Vs 2 & 4



Text: Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709; Music: HAMBURG, Gregorian Chant, Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1824.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EPIPHANY

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

He is risen! He is risen indeed!

Today is Easter Sunday, and we are taking time to consider Luke's retelling of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Please take time to reflect on the questions below and discuss them with your family or home fellowship group.

- How is the question of the angels, "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" (Luke 24:5) a rebuke to the women who came to embalm Jesus' body?
- The apostles did not believe the women when they recounted the words of the angels (Luke 24:II). If you believe in the resurrection, what convinces you that this story is true? If you do not yet believe in the resurrection, what makes this story unbelievable?
- Peter ran to the tomb to verify the report of the women. Once he verified that what the women said was true, he marveled at what happened (Luke 24:12). What does it mean to marvel?
- How is marveling an indication that the wonder of the gospel is getting into you?
- ➤ How can we do a better job in stirring each other up to resurrection wonder?

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