



CORNERSTONE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL
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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—Come, O Creator Spirit Blest, Vs I

Come, O Cre - a - tor Spir - it blest, And in our souls take up Your rest; Come,
with Your grace and heav'n - ly aid, To fill the hearts which You have made.

Text: Rhabanus Maurus, circa 800, Trans by Edward Caswall, 1849; Music: TRURO, *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789.

Call to Worship—from Isaiah 12:2-3

Pastor: Behold, You are our salvation; we will trust, and will not be afraid;

All: for the LORD God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

Pastor: With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation. And we will say in that day:

All: “Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

Pastor: “Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

All: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Hymn of Praise—How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed; for I am your
When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of
When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -
The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose, I will not, I
faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to you he has
God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to
sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your trou - bles to
fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de -
will not de - sert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should en - dea - vour to

said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
 sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
 shake, I'll ne - ver, no ne - ver, no ne - ver for - sake.

Text: Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; Music: FOUNDATION, Traditional American Melody

Psalm of Supplication—Psalm 42: As the Deer Pants for Fresh Water

As the deer pants for fresh wa - ter let my soul, Lord, pant for You! Let my
 Now I pour my soul out in me as these thoughts come to my mind. And I
 Oh my God, my soul is wear - y, there - fore I re - mem - ber You. Let Your
 Lord, for - get me not in mourn - ing 'neath my foes' op - press - ing hand. See their

soul thirst as it ought to for the Sav - ior, ev - er true! Tears by
 long to once a - gain be where true wor - ship I might find. Oh my
 grace and good - ness near be, and Your pro - mise, firm and true. Lord, when
 mock - ing, hear their scorn - ing; help my wear - y soul to stand. Hope in

day have been my por - tion, tears by night have been my food, While my
 soul, be not des - pair - ing! Hope in God, and praise His Name! For the
 trials and fears sur - round me, Your com - mands will be my song; When dis -
 God, praise Him for - ev - er when des - pair on you has trod. Look to

foes add to my sor - row, say - ing, "Where now is your God?"
 Lord, your bur - den bear - ing, will re - store your peace a - gain.
 tress - es sore con - found me, Your great love will keep me strong.
 Je - sus; nev - er, nev - er doubt your grac - ious, sav - ing God.

Text: Psalm 42, *The Ailbe Psalter*, 2006; Music: NETTLETON, Asahel Nettleton, 1825

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

Old Testament Reading—Isaiah 61:1-3

The Spirit of the LORD God is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
³ to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

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 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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Corporate Prayer of Confession—based on Psalm 32:1-8

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing.
You call him blessed whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed also is the one whom You do not count their iniquities against them.

All: **We desire to be those who have no deceit in their spirit.**

Pastor: When we keep silent about confessing our sin,
it is as if our bones are wasting away through misery.

All: **In Your kindness, Your hand lies heavy upon us when we do not confess our sins
and it wears us out.**

Pastor: Lord, we long to acknowledge our sin to You and not cover our iniquity.

All: We will confess our transgressions to You, O Lord,
and You forgive the iniquity of our sin.

Pastor: Therefore we offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found;
before the rush of great waters reaches us.

All: You are a hiding place for us; You preserve us from trouble;
You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Pastor: Instruct us and teach us in the way we should go.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

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

Hymn of Praise—Psalm 32: Blest is The Man, Forever Blest



Blest is the man, for - ev - er blest, Whose guilt is
Blest is the man, to whom the Lord Im - putes not
From guile his heart and lips are free; His hum - ble
How glor - ious is that right - eous - ness That hides and



par - doned by his God; Whose sins with sor - row are con -
his in - i - qui - ties; He pleads no mer - it of re -
joy, his ho - ly fear, With deep re - pen - tance well a -
can - cels all his sins, While a bright ev - i - dence of



fessed, And cov - ered with his Sav - ior's blood.
ward, And not on works, but grace re - lies.
gree, And join to prove his faith sin - cere.
grace Through his whole life ap - pears and shines!

Text: Psalm 32, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DISTRESS, William Walker, 1854; Arr. Gregory Wilbur, 2008.
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Missions Report—Rebecca Giles, *Mission to the World, Scotland*

GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Matthew 5:1-4

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

Sermon—Blessed: Life in the Kingdom of God, Part 3

Blessed are Those Who Mourn

—Tony Giles, *Assistant Pastor*

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.

The musical score is written for piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff of each system.

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

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

Sung Response—Holy God We Praise Your Name, Vs 4

The image shows a musical score for a sung response. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly Fath - er, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name You; While in es - sence onl - y One, Un - di - vid - ed God we claim You; And a - dor - ing bend the knee, While we sing this my - ster - y."

Text: Based on *Te Deum*, 4th c., Attr Ignace Franz, 1774; Music: GROSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774.

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.

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.

Psalm for June—Psalm 125: All You, With Heart Confiding



All who, with heart con - fi - ding, De - pend on God a - lone,
 No scep - ter of op - press - ion Shall hold un - bro - ken sway,
 The men who false - hood cher - ish, For - sak - ing truth and right,



Like Zi - on's mount a - bid - ing, Shall ne'er be ov er thrown.
 Lest un - to base trans - gress - ion The right - eous turn a - way.
 With wick - ed men shall peri - sh; God will their sin re - quite;



Like Zi on's ci ty, bound ed By guard ing moun tains broad,
 Thy fa - vor be im - part - ed To god - ly men, O Lord,
 From sin Thy saints de - fend - ing, Their joy, O Lord, in - crease,



His peo ple are sur round ed For ev er by their God.
 Bless all that are pure - heart - ed, The good with good re - ward.
 With mer - cy nev - er end - ing And ev - er - last - ing peace.

Text: Psalm 125, *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: Gregory D Wilbur, 2017

Hymn of Communion—Come Ye Disconsolate



Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish,
 Joy of the de - so - late, light of the stray - ing,
 Here see the Bread of Life, see wa - ters flow - ing



Come to the mer - cy seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.
 Hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure!
 Forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove.



Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish;
 Here speaks the Com - for - ter, ten - der - ly say - ing,
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing



Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not heal.
 "Earth has no sor - row that Heav'n can - not cure."
 Earth has no sor - row but heav'n can re - move.

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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 Promise—Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Com - fort, com - fort ye My peo - ple, Speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
Yea, her sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out each dark mis - deed;
For the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert far and near,
Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, Make the rough - er plac - es plain:

Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, Mourn - ing 'neath their sor - row's load;
All that well de - served His an - ger He will no more see nor heed.
Bid - ding all men to re - pen - tance, Since the king - dom now is here.
Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be - fits His ho - ly reign,

Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;
She has suf - fered many a day, Now her griefs have passed a - way,
O that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way!
For the glo - ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is shed a - broad,

Tell her that her sins I cov - er, And her war - fare now is o - ver.
God will change her pin - ing sad - ness In - to ev - er spring - ing glad - ness.
Let the val - leys rise to meet Him, And the hills bow down to greet Him.
And all flesh shall see the to - ken That His Word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Johannes G. Olearius, 1671, Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; Music: FREU DICH SEHR, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551.

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 21:3b-5a

“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” *Amen.*

Sung Response—Barocha (Numbers 6:24)

The Lord bless you and keep__ you. The Lord make His face shine up - on__ you,
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er. The
Lord be gra - cious to__ you. The Lord turn His face__ to - ward__ you,
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.
And give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.

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Prayer Focus— Austin Royal is the RUF campus minister at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN. Austin and his wife Anna Caroline met through RUF at the University of Georgia and have been married eight years. They have a two year old daughter named Linley, who is super sweet and cute. Austin started the work at Austin Peay three years ago. They hope RUF at Austin Peay will have a dynamic impact on churches in middle Tennessee because the vast majority of students who attend Austin Peay live within an hour of Nashville. Please pray for Austin and the RUF ministry in the following ways:

- Please pray for core leaders to rise up and take ownership of the different places they can lead and serve the Lord through RUF at Austin Peay.
- Please pray freshman and other students involved will continue to sink their roots into RUF this fall and look to find fellowship and community centered around the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Please pray for conversion and hearts that are softened and changed by the gospel. Austin has many non-Christian students involved with the ministry.
- Please pray God’s grace would be on Austin and his family as they serve God through this ministry and for wisdom and grace to cultivate a healthy balance between work and family life.

Today's message "Blessed are Those Who Mourn" is taken from Matthew 5:4. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family, friends or Home Fellowship Group.

- We may mourn for a variety of reasons, but what does it mean to be a "spiritual" mourner?
- Is there a difference between "mourning" and being sad? If so, what is it? What are some *evidences* of mourning? See Psalm 32 and Psalm 51.
- Read Ezekiel 36:26; Hebrews 3:7, 8; Ephesians 4:19. What are common *hindrances* to mourning? What are the characteristics of a "hard" heart?
- Read Isaiah 53:3. In what ways does Jesus ("man of sorrows") show us how to mourn? See Matthew 23:37 (Psalm 119:136)
- How does Jesus' parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector (Luke 18:9-14) illustrate this beatitude (as well as the first beatitude)?
- What does mean that Jesus is "the lifter of your head" (Psalm 3:3)? See Jeremiah 31:3 and Revelation 21:4.

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