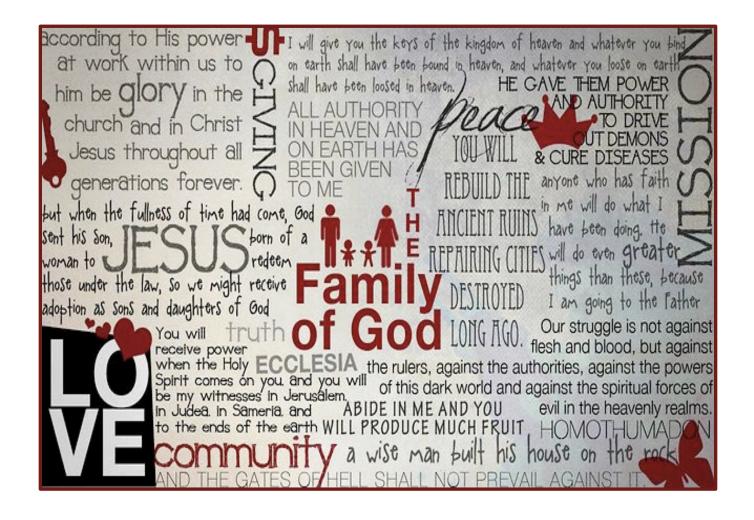


# CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Service of Celebration and Gospel Renewal
The Sundays of Pentecost—Ordinary Time
24 June 2018

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.

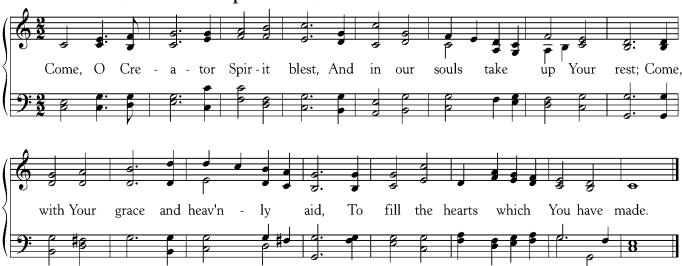
This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

#### 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—Come, O Creator Spirit Blest, Vs I



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

## Call to Worship—Psalm 146:1-2, 7-10

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

All: I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Pastor: The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

All: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

Pastor: The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

All: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations.

Pastor: Praise the LORD!

#### Hymn of Praise—Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah



Text: Psalm 146, The Psalter, 1912; Music: RIPLEY, Gregorian Chant, Arr. By Lowell Mason, 1839.

#### Hymn of Praise—Jesus Shall Reign



Text: Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793.

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## New Testament Reading—I Peter 4:7-II

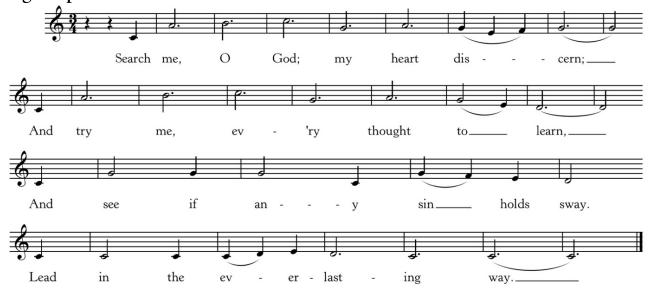
<sup>7</sup>The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup>Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup>Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup>As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: <sup>11</sup> whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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 Response—Psalm 139:23-24



Text: Psalm 139, Psalter, 1871; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2006. © 2006 Greyfriars Press, Used by Permission.

## Corporate Prayer of Confession—based on I John 4:7-21 & 3:17

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Love comes from You, and we know we are to love one another.

All: Sometimes our lack of love brings into question whether we truly know You for You are love.

Pastor: Because of Your love for us, we also ought to love one another for You abide in us and Your love is perfected in us.

All: If we confess that Jesus is the Son of God, You abide in us and we abide in You.

Pastor: You are love and Your love is perfected in us so that we might have confidence on the day of judgment.

There is no fear in love; give us a perfect love that casts out fear.

All: Because You first loved us, we should love one another.

Too often we say we love You,
but act in ways that express hatred towards our brothers and sisters.

Pastor: But You command us to love our brothers and sisters even as we love You.

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need,
yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

All: Give us the grace to truly love our neighbors—wholeheartedly, sacrificially, and without fear.

# Silent Prayers of Confession

## Assurance of Pardon—I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

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# Hymn of Praise—Psalm 23: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need



Text: Psalm 23, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: RESIGNATION, Southern Harmony, 1854,

# GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

## The Reading of the Word—Romans 12:9-13

<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

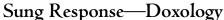
Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

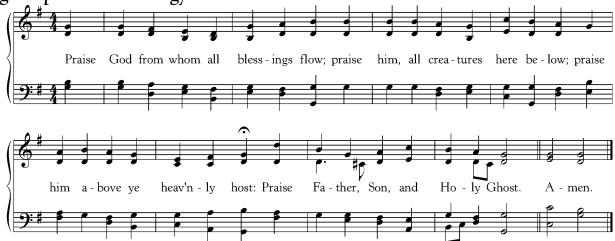
All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

## Sermon—Life in the Family of God, part 4

Generous in Hospitality

—Nate Shurden, Pastor





Text: Thomas Ken, 1709; Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, 1551.

# 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.

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

#### Sung Response—Sanctus



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## Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

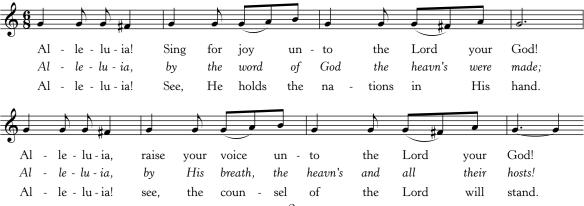
## Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

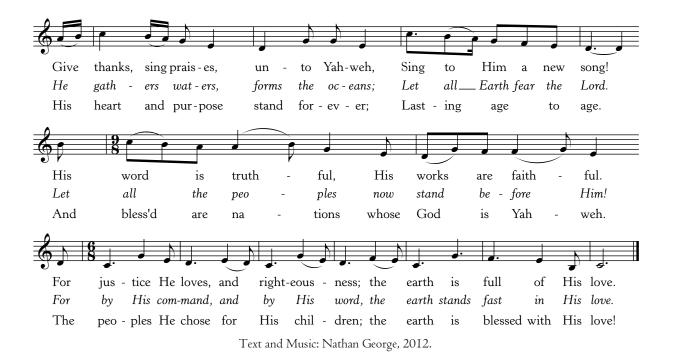
The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.

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 of the Month—Alleluia! Sing For Joy (Psalm 33)





Communion Hymn—Here is Love



Text: William Reess, st 1-2, 1855; tr by William Edwards, 1915; st 3-4 attr William Williams, 1744; Music: Cymraeg, Robert Lowery, 1876

# 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—How Sweet and Awesome, Vs I-5



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

#### 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 Revelation I:5-6

Unto Christ who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. *Amen*.

## Sung Response—How Sweet and Awesome, Vs 6



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

Prayer Focus—Crossroads Prison Ministries (CPM), formerly Crossroad Bible Institute, was founded thirty years ago as a way to disciple prisoners who had made a decision to follow Christ. The ministry's foundation is to form mentoring relationships between people in prison and volunteers from churches throughout the world. These relationships are formed through the use of Bible studies that are completed by the prisoner and mailed to the mentor, who reviews the lessons and responds back to the prisoner through encouraging letters. Currently CPM operates in 19 different countries and reaches 30,000 prisoners each year with a library of twelve Bible study courses. Eight Cornerstone members are involved in CPM.

- Pray for more mentors from Cornerstone.
- Pray for acceptance by local churches of CPM students once they are released from prison.
- Pray for resources for CPM to assist students in locating a loving and caring local church.

Today's message, "Generous in Hospitality" is taken from Romans 12:9-13. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family, friends, or Home Fellowship Group.

- The word translated "contribute" is tied to the Greek word for fellowship. Why does the Scripture link fellowship and contributing to one another's needs?
- Some modern approaches to meeting needs undermine true fellowship rather than build it. Can you give an example? How do we work against this?
- How does the practice of hospitality fit with meeting needs and fellowship? How is hospitality
  different from entertaining? Give an example if you can.
- Discuss this quote, "As a way of life, an act of love, an expression of faith, our hospitality reflects and anticipates God's welcome. Simultaneously costly and wonderfully rewarding, hospitality often involves small deaths and little resurrections."—Christine Pohl
- Tell a story about when you experienced true hospitality. What made that experience so powerful?
- How is the Lord calling you to respond to today's message?

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