



CORNERSTONE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



From Generation to Generation

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL
Ordinary Time—Sundays of Pentecost
27 August 2017

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/Ist Grade: Room I03 (basement)

Teacher: Amy Pent; Assistant: Mark Elliott

2nd/3rd Grade: Room I0I (basement)

Teacher: Bob Wolk; Assistant: Anneke Seely

4th/5th Grade: Comenius Room (third floor)

Teacher: Ronda Laventure; Assistant: Julia Grounds

6th Grade: Schaeffer Room (third floor)

Teacher: Charlotte Robinson; Assistant: Mary Lynn Giles

Youth (7th-9th and 10th-12th) at Merridees

Adult

The Chapel Class: *The Gospel-Centered Community* (Chapel)

Koinonia Class: *The Westminster Confession of Faith* (Kuyper Room 3rd 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

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—Holy, Holy, Holy, vs I

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (two sharps) and common time (C). The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with a supporting bass line in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might-y! Ear-ly in the morn-ing our song shall rise to Thee; ho-ly, ho-ly ho - ly! mer-ci-ful and might-y! God in three per - sons, bless-ed Trin-i - ty!" The score concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1826; Music: NICAIA, John B. Dykes, 1861.

Call to Worship—Psalm 132:8-10, 13-16

Pastor: Arise, O LORD, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.

All: Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your saints shout for joy.

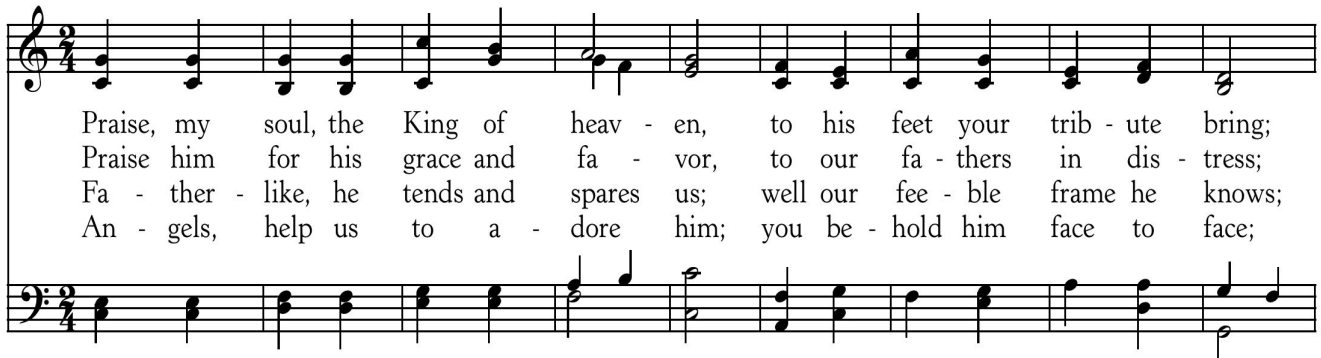
Pastor: For the sake of your servant David, do not turn away the face of your anointed one.
For the LORD has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his dwelling place:

All: “This is my resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

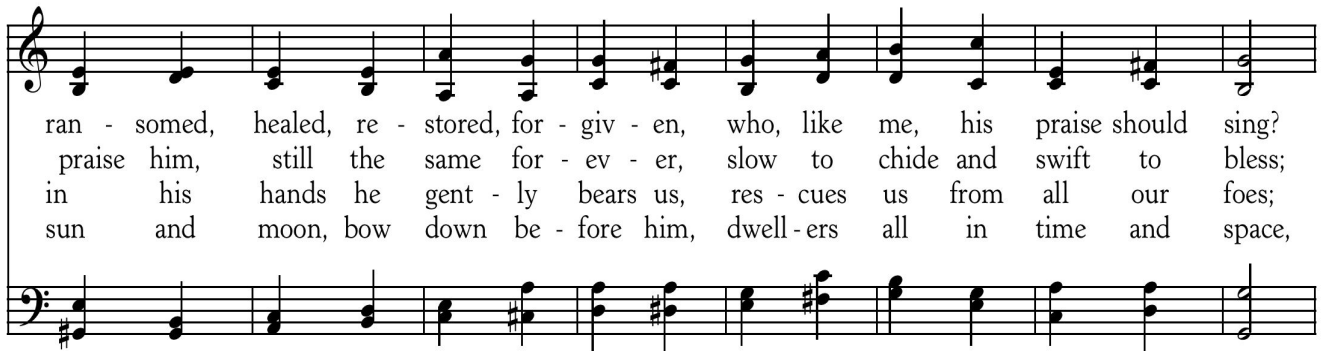
Pastor: I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

All: Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy.”

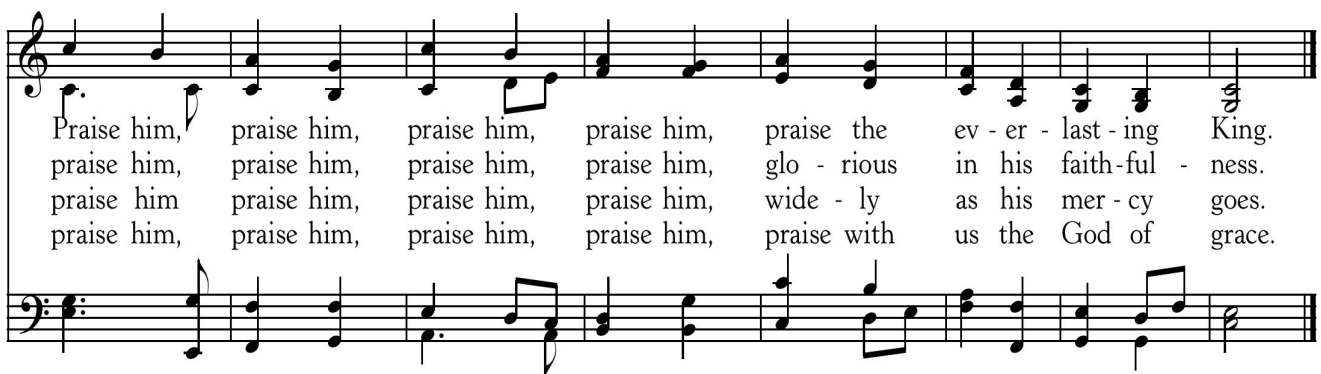
Hymn of Praise—Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your trib - ute bring;
Praise him for his grace and fa - vor, to our fa - thers in dis - tress;
Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?
praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;
in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes;
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space,



Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Text: From Psalm 103, Henry F. Lyte, 1834; Music: PRAISE MY SOUL, John Goss, 1869.

Hymn of Praise—Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, Pre - cious Re - deem - er and
 Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Keep - er, Spir - it we long to em -
 Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther, Faith - ful - ly lov - ing Your

Friend;
 brace;
 own;
 Who would have thought that a Lamb could Res - cue the
 You of - fer hope when our hearts have Hope - less - ly
 Here in our weak - ness You find us Fall - ing be -

souls of men? Oh, You res - cue the souls of men.
 lost the way; Oh, we hope - less - ly lost the way.
 fore Your throne; Oh, we're fall - ing be - fore Your throne.

You are the One that we praise, You are the One we a -

dore, You give the heal - ing and grace Our hearts al - ways hun - ger

for; Oh, our hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

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

New Testament Reading—I Peter 2:9-10

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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—When All Thy Mercies



When all thy mer - cies, O my God, My ri - sing soul sur - veys, Trans -
When worn with sick - ness, oft hast Thou With health re - newed my face; And
When na - ture fails, and day and night Di - vide Thy works no more, My



port - ed with the view, I'm lost In won - der, love and praise.
when in sins and sor - rows bowed, Re - vived my soul with grace.
ev - er grate - ful heart, O Lord, Thy mer - cy shall a - dore.

CCLI #11121087 © Fernando Ortega, 1991 Text: Joseph Addison, 1712; Music: Fernando Ortega, 1991

Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Psalm 81:6-9, 11-14, 16

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Like the people of Israel,
You relived our shoulders of our burden. You freed our hands.

All: **In distress we called, and You delivered us. You answered our prayers.**

Pastor: You call us to hear You as You admonish us, but we are slow to listen.

All: **There are strange gods among us. We bow to the idols in our hearts.**

Pastor: Would that we would listen to Your voice; that we would submit to You.

All: **You give us over to our stubborn hearts to follow our own counsels.**

Pastor: Oh that we would listen to You and walk in Your ways.

All: Subdue our enemies; subdue our hearts and thoughts to conform to Your desires.

Pastor: Feed us with the finest wheat and satisfy us with honey from the rock.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—Colossians 1:11-14

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

Hymn of Praise—My God, My Portion, and My Love

My God, My por - tion, and my Love, My ev - er - last - ing all, I've
What emp - ty things are all the skies, And this in - fe - rior clod! There's
In vain the bright, the burn - ing sun, Scat - ters his fee - ble light; 'Tis
Let all that dwells a - bove the sky, And air, and earth, and seas, Con -
The whole cre - a - tion, join in one, To bless the Sa - cred Name, Of
none but Thee in heav'n a - bove, Or on this earth - ly ball.
no - thing here de - serves my joys, There's no - thing like my God.
Thy sweet beams cre - ate my noon; If Thou with - draw, 'tis night.
spire to lift Thy glo - ries high And speak Thine end - less praise.
Him that sits up - on the throne, And to a - dore the Lamb.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748; Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, from Southern Harmony.

GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Deuteronomy 7:6-II

⁶ “For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷ It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸ but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹ Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, ¹⁰ and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face. ¹¹ You shall therefore be careful to do the commandment and the statutes and the rules that I command you today.”

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

Sermon—From Generation to Generation, Part 3

Our Hope: The Covenant Keeping God

—Tony Giles, *Assistant Pastor*

Sung Response—Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, Vs 4

Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less let us be.
Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee;
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems, 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 printed below the vocal line of each system.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1747; Music: HYFRYDOL, R.H. Prichard, 1831.

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

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—Shepherd of Souls

Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless Thy chos - en pil - grim flock With
We would not live by bread a - lone, But by Thy Word of grace, In
Lord, sup with us in love di - vine; Thy bod - y and Thy blood, That

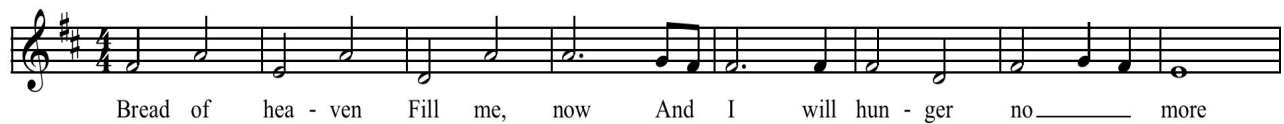
man - na in the wil - der - ness, With wa - ter from the rock. Hun -
strength of which we tra - vel on To our a - bid - ing place. Be
liv - ing bread, that heav'n - ly wine, Be our im - mor - tal food. Be

gry and thirst - y, faint and weak, As Thou when here be - low, Our
known to us in break - ing bread, But do not then de - part; Sav -
known to us in break - ing bread, But do not then de - part; Sav -

souls the joys ce - lest - ial seek Which from Thy sor - rows flow.
ior, a - bid - e with us, and spread Thy ta - ble in our heart.
ior, a - bid - e with us, and spread Thy ta - ble in our heart.

Text: James Montgomery, 1835; Music: KINGSFOLD, Old English Folk Tune.

Hymn of Communion—Bread of Heaven



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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.

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—My Song Forever Shall Record, Psalm 89

My song for - ev - er shall re - cord The ten - der mer - cies of the Lord;
Be - hold God's truth and grace dis - played, For He has faith - ful cov' - nant made,
The heav'n's shall join in glad ac - cord To praise Thy won - drous works, O Lord;
The heavens and earth, by right di - vine, The world and all there - in, are Thine;

Thy faith - ful - ness will I pro - claim, And ev' - ry age shall know Thy Name.
And He has sworn that Da - vid's Son Shall ev - er sit up - on his throne.
Thy faith - ful - ness shall praise com - mand Where ho - ly ones as - sem - bled stand.
The whole cre - a - tion's won - drous frame Pro - claims its Ma - ker's glor - ious Name.

I sing of mer - cies that en - dure, For - ev - er build - ed firm and sure,
"For him My mer - cy shall en - dure, My cov' - nant made with him is sure;
Who in the heav'n - ly dwell - ings fair Can with the Lord Him - self com - pare?
Blest be the Lord for - ev - er - more, Whose pro - mise stands from days of yore,

Of faith - ful - ness that nev - er dies, Es - tab - lished change - less in the skies.
His throne and race I will main - tain For - ev - er, while the heav'n's re - main."
In all Thy works and vast de - signs Thy faith - ful - ness for - ev - er shines.
His Word is faith - ful now as then; Blest be His Name. A - men, A - men.

Text: Psalm 89, *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

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—Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Sung Response—O Thou In Whose Presence, Vs II

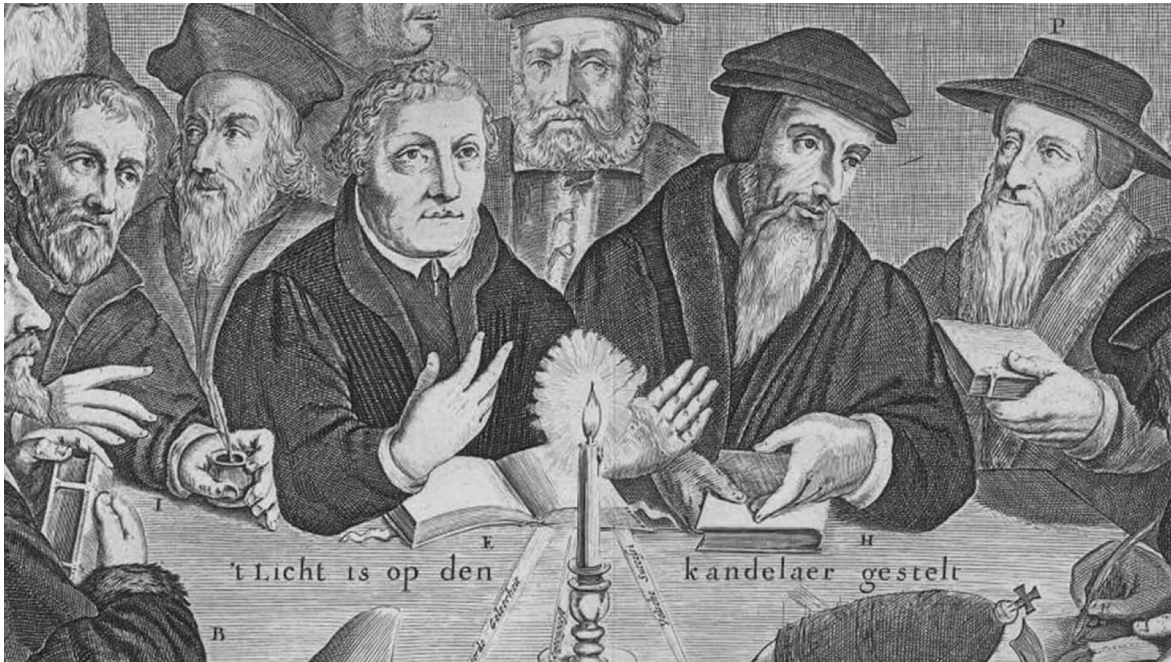
Dear Shep - herd, I hear and will fol - low Thy call; I know the sweet
sound of Thy voice. Re - store and de - fend me, for Thou art my
All, And in Thee I will ev - er re - joice.

Text: Joseph Swain, 1791; Music: DAVIS, 1813.

Prayer Focus—NHC Franklin Nursing Home

The NHC Franklin Nursing Home Ministry has a long history as a mercy ministry at Cornerstone since our establishment as a church in 2011. The purpose of the ministry is to show Christ's love by assisting in the monthly birthday celebration for the residents of NHC Franklin. The ministry team assists with serving the refreshments, interacting with the residents, and occasionally providing musical entertainment.

- Pray that the ministry team would be sensitive to the needs of the residents.
- Pray that the residents would feel loved and encouraged by the ministry team.
- Pray that the ministry of music would be a source of joy and blessing for the residents.



Reformation 500

CStone Wednesday Nights—Fall 2017

Catered Dinner at 5:30PM

Teaching and Vespers at 6:15PM

With the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation just around the corner, we will use our teaching time on Wednesday nights to tell the story of the Reformation and its key figures. In addition, we will talk about the on-going significance of the Reformation in the doctrines and practices that flowed from a Wittenberg door in 1517 down through the centuries to our own chapel doors in 2017.

The Reformation Story

Sept 13—The Mallet Swing Heard 'Round the World: Martin Luther & The German Reformation

Sept 20—No Holes in this Cheese: John Calvin & The Swiss Reformation

Sept 27—Bagpipes & Bravehearts: John Knox & The Scottish Reformation

Oct 4—Not-So-Radical Radicals: The Anabaptists & The Reformation

Oct 11—The Church & Crown: The Anglicans & The British Reformation

Oct 18—Holier & Happier Than Thou: The Puritans & The British Reformation

Why the Reformation *Still* Matters

Oct 25—Scripture: How God Speaks To Us?

Nov 1—Gospel: How Can We Be Saved?

Nov 8—Church: What Makes A True Church?

Nov 15—Daily Life: What Difference Does God Make?

RSVP on-line at www.cornerstonepresfranklin.org

Today is the third and final message in our series “From Generation to Generation.” The title of today’s message is “Our Hope: The Covenant Keeping God” from Deuteronomy 7:6-11. Please take some time to look over the questions below, answering and discussing them with your family or Home Fellowship Group.

1. Read I Peter 2:9-12. How do you feel about God’s demand that your life is to be distinctive from the “nations” or people around you? Why do you feel like that?
2. We could summarize the starting point of our passage as: “Surrendering our privileged position with compromise is unthinkable.” What are some areas of life where you are prone to compromise with the standards of the world? In what ways you are inclined to fit in or blend in with the world around you?
3. What would be some wrong reasons to “stand out” from the crowd? What is it about standing out that is difficult? Has your distinctive lifestyle ever cost you something? Ever led to a conversation with others about what you believe? Explain.
4. Read Deut. 7:6. What “treasured possession” do you own? How do you treat it differently? Read Zephaniah 3:17. When do you experience the Father’s delight in you? What hinders that experience?
5. Read Deut. 7:7-8. How do you respond to the truth that God sought you out—not for anything *in* you or *about* you?
6. Why do you think our passage includes a declaration about God’s faithfulness? What difference would it make if that were removed? What is missing from the gospel you believe if you forget or downplay that truth?
7. Meditate on what God has done in the gospel to “redeem” and “set you apart” as his own treasured possession. How does this move you to praise him and love him?

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