

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL
Sundays of Pentecost—Ordinary Time
23 October 2016

Wednesday Nights at Cornerstone September 14 – November 16

There's something for everyone as we gather as a church family for fellowship, relationship, Scripture, prayer, and song. This mid-week gathering is a great opportunity to support the week with spiritual disciplines and get to know other folks in the church.

5:30-6:00 Dinner*

6:15-7:15 Youth meetings (7th-12th grades)—Meets Upstairs

6:15-7:00 Children's Choirs (PreK-6th Grade)**—Meets Downstairs

6:15-7:00 Vespers service and Prayer—Meets in the Chapel

7:15-8:30 Advent Choir Rehearsal

*The Vespers Service will include a time of teaching and corporate prayer.
Our topic will be The Armor of God.*

*Reservation needed by Monday at Noon; \$5/person & \$20/family cap

**Please register your child for choir so we have appropriate assistants & supplies.



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—Psalm 100: All Earth With Joy

All earth, with joy, to the LORD come with loud voices ring -
En - ter His gates with thank - 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 voices

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

Call to Worship—Psalm 62:5-8

Pastor: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.

All: He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

Pastor: On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

All: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him;

Pastor: God is a refuge for us.

Hymn of Praise—Crown Him With Many Crowns

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff joined by a brace on the left. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the next four lines. The fourth system contains the final four lines of the hymn, ending with a double bar line.

Crown Him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on His throne. Hark!
Crown Him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, And
Crown Him the Lord of love, be - hold His hands and side, Rich
Crown Him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time, Cre -

How the heav'n - ly an - them__drons all mus - ic but its own. A -
rose vic - tor - ious in the__strife for those He came to save. His
wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glor - i - fied. No
a - tor of the roll - ing__spheres, in - eff - a - bly sub - lime. All

wake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, And
glo - ries now we sing, who died, and rose on high, Who
an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight, But
hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou has died for me; Thy

hail Him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
praise and glor - y shall not fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1852; Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1868.

Hymn of Praise—Psalm 31: In You, O Lord I Put My Trust



In You, O Lord, I put my trust, I
Bow down Your ear to my request, And
Since You my Rock and For - tress art, My
To You my spir - it I com - mend; Re -
But, Lord, in You is all my trust, You



call up - on Your Name; O save me in Your
swift de - liv - erance send; Be un - to me a
Lead - er be, and Guide; From all temp - ta - tion
demp - tion is with Thee, O Thou Je - hov - ah,
are my God, I cried; My life, my times are



right - eous - ness, Nor let me suf - fer shame.
rock of strength, A for - tress to de - fend.
res - cue me, And hold me to Your side.
God of truth, Who has de - liv - ered me.
in Your hand, I in Your strength a - - bide.

Text: Psalm 31, Paraphrase; Music: Kentucky Harmony.

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

New Testament Reading—John 15:I-II

1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. 9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. 11 These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

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—Hear My Prayer (from Psalm 86)



Hear my prayer, O Lord, and an-swer me. I am poor and need-y.
You, O Lord, are good and for-giv-ing. Give ear to my prayer.

Save my life for you are the on-ly God. For to you I cry.
Teach your way so that I may walk in your truth; fix my heart to fear You.

You, O Lord, are full of mer-cy. Grac-ious are you, O God. Slow to an-ger a -
bound-ing in faith-ful-ness. Turn to me, de-liv-er me. Save me in Your love.

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Corporate Confession of Sin—based on I John 2:15-17, 21-22 & John 8:31

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. We confess that too often we love the world
or the things in the world.

All: We know that if anyone loves the world, Your love is not in them.

Pastor: For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes
and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world.

All: And the world is passing away with its desires,
but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Pastor: You speak to us because we know the truth and because no lie is of the truth.

All: Who is a liar? He who denies You as Father and Savior—in thought, word or deed.

Pastor: But if we abide in Your word, we will truly be Your disciples.
We will know the truth, and the truth will set us free.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—I John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

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

Hymn of Praise—How Deep the Father's Love For Us

How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, How vast be - yond all meas - ure That
Be - hold the man up - on a cross, My sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
I will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no power, no wis - dom. But

He should give His on - ly Son To make a wretch His treas - ure. How
shamed I hear my mock - ing voice Call out a - mong the scoff - ers. It
I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way As
was my sin that held Him there Un - til it was ac - com - plished; His
should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One Bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—I John 2:18-27

18 Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. 19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us. 20 But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. 21 I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. 22 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. 23 No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also. 24 Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. 25 And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life.

26 I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you. 27 But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in him.

Sermon—That You May Know—A Study of I John, Pt 5

Life Lessons for the Last Hour

—Nate Shurden, *Pastor*

Sung Response—O Praise the Father

O praise the Fa-ther, Praise the Son, The Lamb for sin - ners giv - en.

The first system of music is for the first line of the song. It consists of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

And Ho - ly Spir - it, through whom a - lone Our hearts are raised to Heav - en.

The second system of music is for the second line of the song. It follows the same musical notation as the first system, with a treble and bass staff. The melody continues from the first line, and the lyrics are written below the treble staff. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Text: John Mason, 1683; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2011.

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.

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.

Hymn of Communion—Psalm 63: O God, Thou Art My God Alone

1. O God, Thou art my God a - lone; Ear - ly to Thee my
 2. Yet, through this rough and thorn - y maze, I fol - low hard on
 3. Bet - ter than life it - self Thy love, Dear - er than all be -

soul shall cry; A pil - grim in a land un - known, A thirst - y
 Thee, my God; Thy hand, un - seen, up - holds my ways; I safe - ly
 side to me; For whom have I in Heav'n a - bove, Or what on

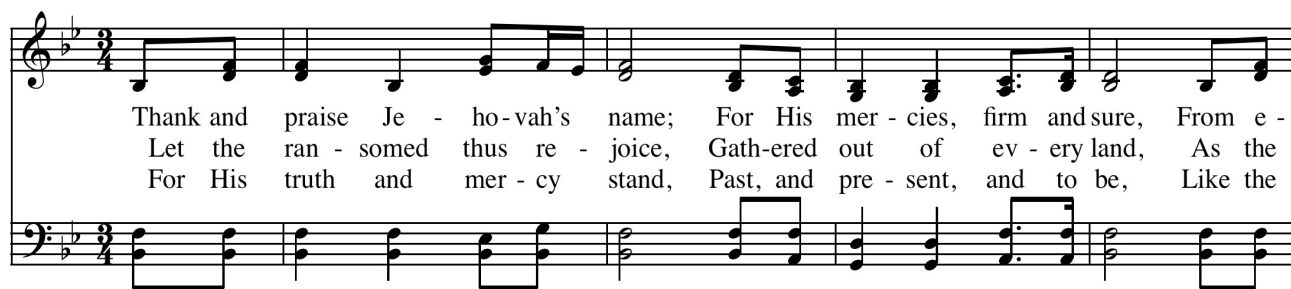
land whose springs are dry. O that it were as it hath been!
 tread where Thou hast trod. Thee, in the watch - es of the night,
 earth, com - pared to Thee? Praise with my heart, my mind, my voice,

When, pray - ing in the ho - ly place, Thy pow'r and glo - ry
 When I re - mem - ber on my bed; Thy pres - ence makes the
 For all Thy mer - cy I will give; My soul shall still in

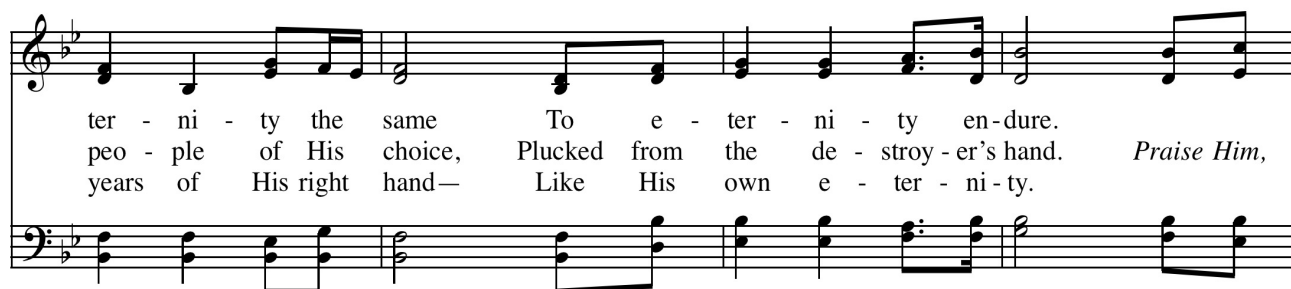
I have seen, And marked the foot - steps of Thy grace.
 dark - ness light, Thy guard - ian wings are round my head.
 God re - joice; My tongue shall bless Thee while I live.

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Hymn of Communion—Thank and Praise Jehovah's Name



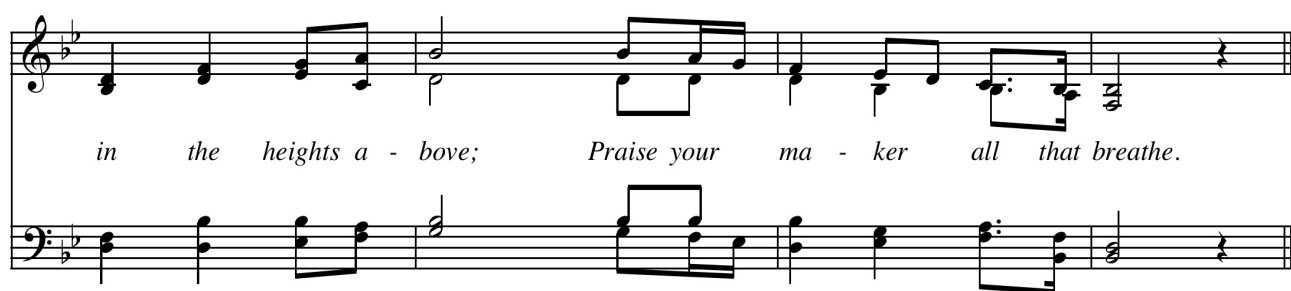
Thank and praise Je - ho - vah's name; For His mer - cies, firm and sure, From e -
 Let the ran - somed thus re - joice, Gath-ered out of ev - ery land, As the
 For His truth and mer - cy stand, Past, and pre - sent, and to be, Like the



ter - ni - ty the same To e - ter - ni - ty en-dure.
 peo - ple of His choice, Plucked from the de - stroy - er's hand. *Praise Him,*
 years of His right hand— Like His own e - ter - ni - ty.



ye who know His love; *Praise Him from the depths be - neath; Praise Him*



in the heights a - bove; *Praise your ma - ker all that breathe.*

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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 Praise—Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken



Je - sus, I my cross have tak - en, All to leave and fol - low Thee;
Let the world de - spise and leave me, they have left my Sav - ior too;
Man may trou - ble and dis - tress me, 'Twill but drive me to Thy breast;
Hast - en on from grace to glo - ry, Armed by faith and winged by prayer;



Des - ti - tute, des - pised, for - sak - en, Thou from hence my all shalt be:
Hu - man hearts and looks de - ceive me; Thou art not, like man, un - true.
Life with tri - als hard may press me, Heav'n will bring me sweet - er rest.
Heav'n's e - ter - nal days be - fore me, God's own hand shall guide me there.



Per - ish ev - 'ry fond am - bi - tion, All I've sought or hoped or known;
And while Thou shalt smile up - on me, God of wis - dom, love and might,
O 'tis not in grief to harm me, While Thy love is left to me;
Soon shall close my earth - ly mis - sion, Swift shall pass my pil - grim days,



Yet how rich is my con - di - tion, God and heav'n are still my own!
Foes may hate and friends may shun me, show Thy face and all is bright.
O 'twere not in joy to charm me, Were that joy un - mixed with Thee.
Hope shall change to glad fru - i - tion, Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

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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—2 John 1:3

Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love. *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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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 & Twelve Days**—Celebration of the Incarnation & 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

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First and Third Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Cornerstone.

Today is the fifth message in our sermon series, “That You May Know: A Study of I John.” The message for today is, “Life Lessons for the Last Hour” (I John 2:18-27). Take time this week to discuss the questions below with your family or Home Fellowship Group.

- John indicates that the believers he’s writing to in the first century are living in the “last hour” (v.18). How are we to understand the phrase “the last hour” or “the last days” in this passage and throughout the New Testament (Acts 2:17, I Peter 1:20-21, 2 Timothy 3:1, etc.)?
- The appearance of “antichrists” is how John discerns that they are indeed in the last hour. Who are the antichrists in this passage? What makes someone an antichrist according to this passage? Do we still deal with antichrists today? (See vs. 18, 22-23)
- John says true believers have been “anointed by the Holy One” (v.20). Accompanying this anointing is true knowledge and those who have this true knowledge have no need to be taught (v.27). What assurance is John extending to us by these words?
- Jesus says in John 14:9, “If you have seen me, you’ve seen the Father.” How does this passage both reiterate and expound on the relationship of Jesus Christ with God the Father (v.23-24)? Why might John be taking time in this moment to make this point?
- Finally, John urges the readers to “abide” in the anointing and the teaching they received from the beginning. Why is it so hard to stay put in the truth? What tendencies do you see within you to drift from the truth? What practical strategies have you found helpful for abiding in the truth?

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