



# CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL  
*Ordinary Time—Last Sunday Before Advent*  
*26 November 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/I<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Room I03 (basement)

Teacher: Michelle Marshall; Assistant: Mark Elliott

**2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Room I0I (basement)

Teacher: Bob Wolk; Assistant: Anneke Seely

**4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Comenius Room (third floor)

Teacher: Ronda Laventure; Assistant: Julia Grounds

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Schaeffer Room (third floor)

Teacher: Charlotte Robinson; Assistant: Mary Lynn Giles

**Youth** (7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) at Merridees

### **Adult**

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

Koinonia Class: *The Westminster Confession of Faith* (Kuyper Room 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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*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—Rejoice, the Lord Is King, Vs I

Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!

Re - joice, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more;

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of three systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line. The second system ends with a double bar line. The third system ends with a double bar line.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1746; Music: DARWALL, John Darwall, 1770.

## Call to Worship—from Psalm 100

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!

All: Come into his presence with singing!

Pastor: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his;

All: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

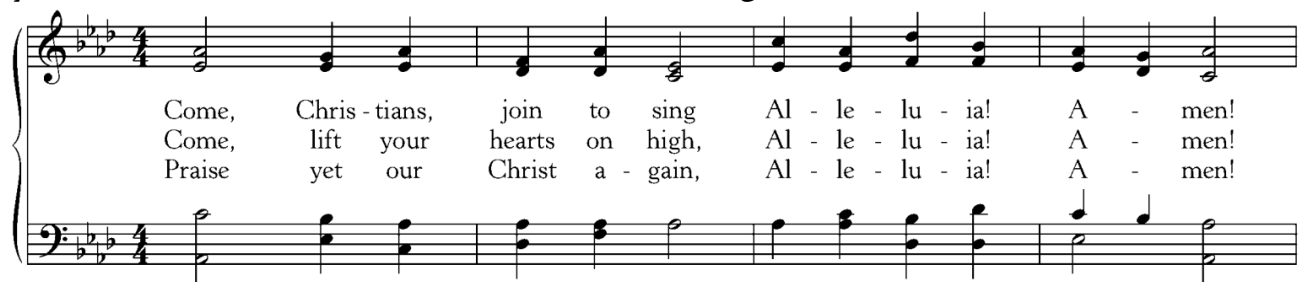
Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

All: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

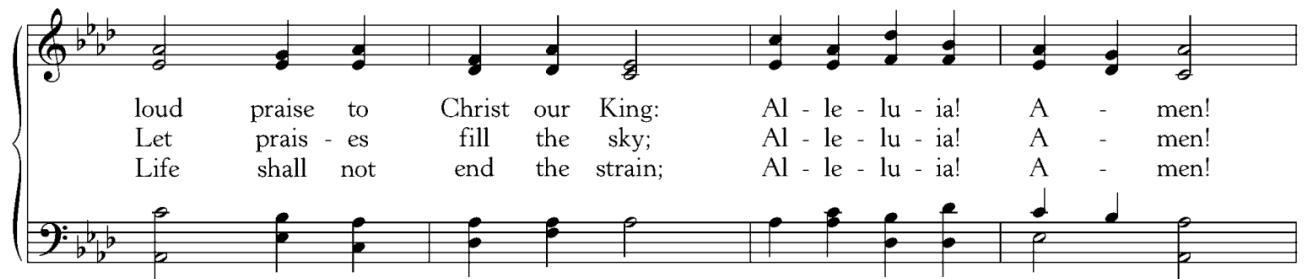
Pastor: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

All: And his faithfulness endures to all generations.

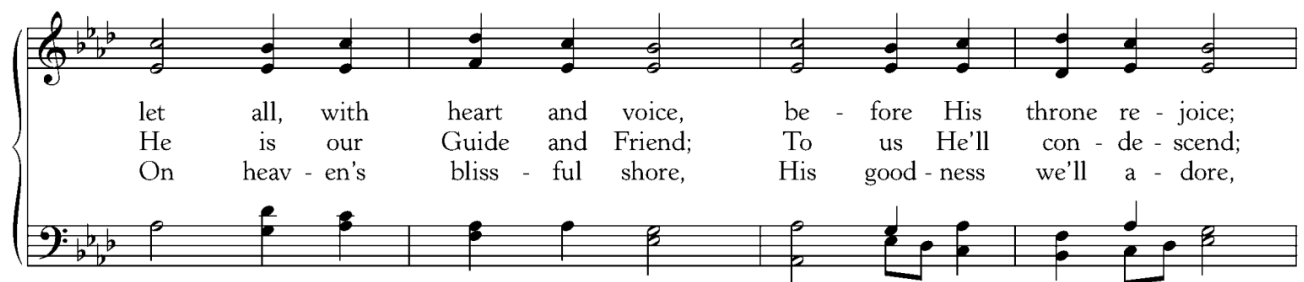
## Hymn of Praise—Come, Christians Join to Sing



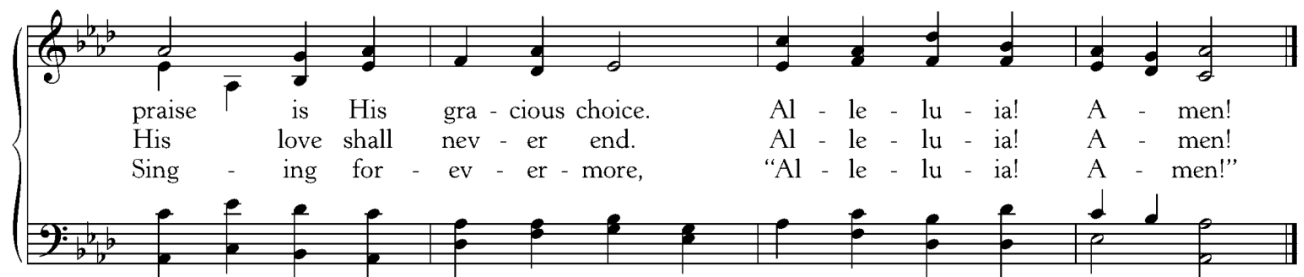
Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joice;  
He is our Guide and Friend; To us He'll con - de - scend;  
On heav - en's bliss - ful shore, His good - ness we'll a - dore,



praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
His love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1843; Music: MADRID, Traditional Spanish Melody, Arr David Evans, 1927.

## Psalm of Praise—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

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

## New Testament Reading—Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.<sup>2</sup> Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.<sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,<sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,<sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.<sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.<sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.<sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.<sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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—Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy, have mer-cy, Lord.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

WOMEN  
Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy, have mer-cy, Lord.

MEN  
Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy, have mer-cy, Lord.

Text: Luke 18:13; Music: FRANKLIN KYRIE, Gregory D Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

## 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.**

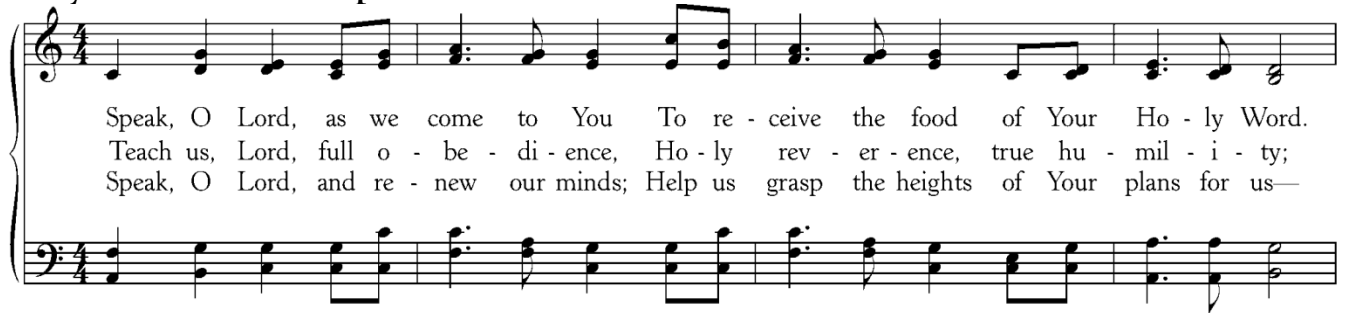
# Silent Prayers of Confession

## Assurance of Pardon—I John 4:9-10

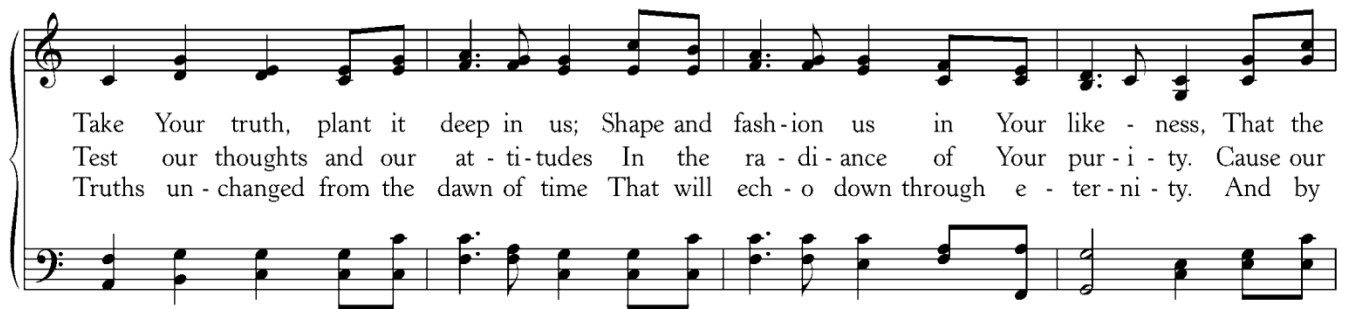
In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

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

## Hymn of Praise—Speak O Lord



Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To re - ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.  
Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty;  
Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—



Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fash-ion us in Your like - ness, That the  
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our  
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to-day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.  
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.  
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail— Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.



## GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

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### The Reading of the Word—Philemon 1:17-25

<sup>17</sup> So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. <sup>18</sup> If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup> Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

<sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. <sup>22</sup> At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.

<sup>23</sup> Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, <sup>24</sup> and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.

<sup>25</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

### Sermon—Refresh My Heart in Christ: The Letter of Philemon, Part 3

*The Great Exchange*

—Tony Giles, *Assistant Pastor*





## Sung Response—Sanctus

WOMEN  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might,

MEN  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might, -

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho

high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. A - men.

san - nah in the high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est. A - men.

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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.

\* "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—I Will Praise Him, Still



When the morn-ing falls on the far-thest hill I will sing His name, I will praise Him,  
still. When dark tri-als come and my heart is filled with the weight of doubt, I will  
praise Him, still. For the Lord, our God, He is strong to save from the  
arms of death, from the deep-est grave; and He gave us life in His  
per-fect will, and by His good grace I will praise Him, still.

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## Communion Hymn—Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ



Thy works, not mine, O Christ, Speak glad - ness to this heart,  
 Thy wounds, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my bruis - ed soul;  
 Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the awe - full load  
 Thy death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ran - som due;  
 Thy right - eous - ness, O Christ, A - lone can cov - er me;



They tell me all is done, They bid my fear de - part.  
 Thy stripes, not mine, con - tain The balm that makes me whole.  
 Of sins that none could bear But the in - car - nate God.  
 Ten thou - sand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.  
 No right - eous - ness a - vails Save that which is of Thee.



To whom save Thee, who canst a - - lone



For sin a - - tone, Lord, shall I flee?

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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—May the Mind of Christ, Vs I-5

May the mind of Christ, my Sav - ior, Live in  
May the Word of God dwell rich - ly In my  
May the peace of God my Fa - ther Rule my  
May the love of Je - sus fill me As the  
May I run the race be - fore me, Strong and

me from day to day, By His love and  
heart from hour to hour, So that all may  
life in ev - 'ry - thing, That I may be  
wa - ters fill the sea; Him ex - alt - ing,  
brave to face the foe, Look - ing on - ly

power con - trol - ling All I do and say.  
see I tri - umph On - ly through His power.  
calm to com - fort Sick and sor - row - ing.  
self a - ba - sing, This is vic - to - ry.  
un - to Je - sus As I on - ward go.

Text: Kate B. Wilkinson, 1925; Music: ST. LEONARDS, A. Cyril Barham-Gould, 1925.

# 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—I Thessalonians 3:11-13

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. *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— GraceWorks Ministries Inc, Franklin, TN

GraceWorks was founded in 1995 when concerned local church leaders realized Williamson County needed a central place to send people who needed help with food, clothing and financial assistance. By pooling church resources with private and public sectors, GraceWorks has been able to provide more help for many needs to better serve our community, rather than duplicating efforts. Currently GraceWorks provides assistance in twenty different programs, under hunger prevention, family support, educational programs and seasonal needs. Through its many programs, GraceWorks fulfilled 46,665 needs in 2016. Cornerstone has supported GraceWorks since our church was established and many of our members have been involved in this important ministry to our community.

- Prayers for our homeless neighbors and those struggling to maintain their housing.
- Prayers of gratitude for those who give sacrificially to the mission of GraceWorks.
- Prayers for continued involvement from our church partners, and new partnership opportunities with other churches seeking to serve our community together.
- Prayers for more regular volunteers to help in the stores and sorting donations.

## Home Fellowship Groups

**River Landing**—Jim & Gwen Smith

Second and Fourth Sundays, 6:00pm, Smith's house, Book discussion

**West Nashville**—Andy & Katie Patton

Every other Sunday, 5:00pm, Patton's house, Sermon discussion

**Upper Room**—Bob & Cindi Wolk

First and Third Sundays after Second service at Cornerstone, Sermon discussion

**Liberty Pike**—Dan Fiedler & Carl Ware

Second and Fourth Sundays, 4:30-6:30pm, Ware's house, Sermon discussion

**Grassland**—Steve Green & John Marquardt

First and Third Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Green's house, sermon discussion and studying Colossians

**South Franklin**—John & Allison Millard

Every other Sunday, 5:00pm, Millard's House, Sermon discussion

**East Franklin**—Mark & Lindsey Elliott

First, Second, and Third Sundays after the Second Service, Elliott's house, Sermon discussion

**Fieldstone/Cottonwood**—Greg & Sophia Wilbur

Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays, 5:00pm, Wilbur's house, Sermon discussion

**Downtown**—Joe & Josephine Haworth

First and Third Mondays, 6:30-8:30pm, Cornerstone Third Floor, Sermon discussion



Today's message, "The Great Exchange" is taken from Philemon 1:17-25. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family friend or Home Fellowship Group.

1. Read 2 Cor. 5:21. How does Paul's offer to pay any debt of Onesimus (verse 18) remove the barrier for true reconciliation between Philemon and Onesimus? How does Paul grant *his* status to Onesimus? HINT: verse 17. How does that give you a window into the gospel?
2. Paul anticipates Philemon's "obedience" in verse 21. Read Romans 1:5 and 16:26 where Paul uses the phrase, "the obedience of faith." How do "gospel" and "imperative" fit together into what we might call "the gospel imperative?"
3. Paul wants this house church in Colossae to be a light on a hill, a community "'in the Lord' where new kingdom realities are breaking into the present world." What are some of those realities? Do you see that happening in our midst? What needs to occur for more of that to occur?
4. Paul describes his relationship with Philemon as "partner." More than mere friendship or similarity of outlook, for Paul this is a spiritual alliance built around common activities born of common loyalty to Christ. Do you have that sort of "partner" in your life? How does that relationship work in your case? If not, who might be that person?
5. What specific ways has God been speaking to you through the study of this letter?

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