

Service of Celebration and Gospel Renewal Ordinary Time—The Sundays of Pentecost 12 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 104 (basement)

Joe and Joy Marlo; Assistant: Kristin Lee

K/Ist Grade: Room 103 (basement)

Teacher: Michelle Marshall; Assistant: Mark Elliott

 $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$ Grade: Room 101 (basement)

Teacher: Bob Wolk; Assistant: Anneke Seely **4**th/**5**th **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.

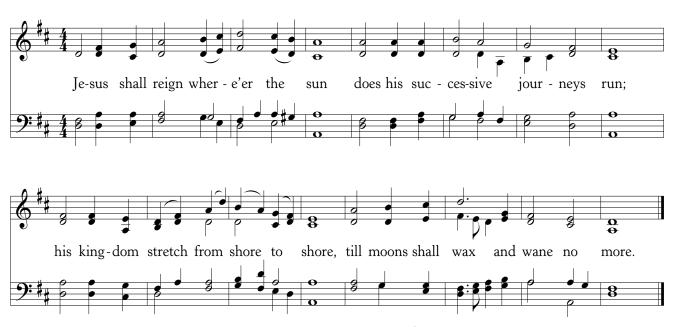
This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

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—Jesus Shall Reign, Vs. I



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

Call to Worship—Psalm 33:I, 18-22

Pastor: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

All: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

Pastor: that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

All: Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

Pastor: For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

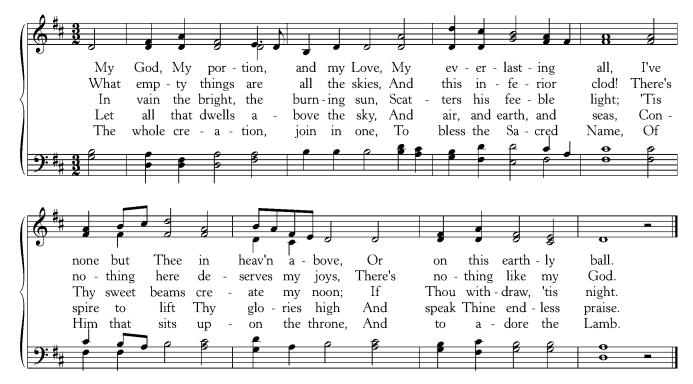
All: Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Hymn of Praise—O God Our Help in Ages Past, Vs I-4, 7



Text: Psalm 90, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678-1727.

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



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

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

New Testament Reading—Ephesians 4:1-3

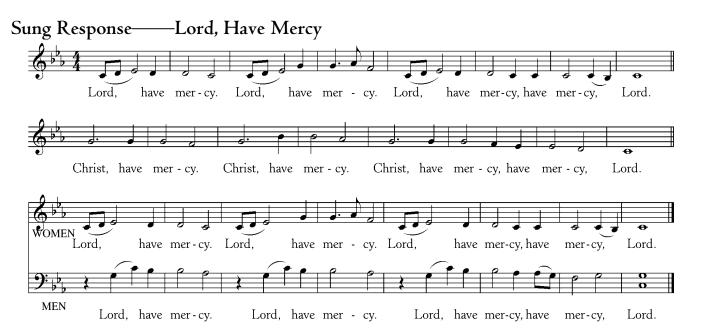
I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

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.



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

Corporate Confession of Sin-based on Psalm 37:3-5, 7-8, 39-40

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. You call us to trust in You and do good,

All: We have not delighted ourselves in You, Lord, and our hearts have not desired You.

Pastor: We have failed to commit our ways to You, nor have we trusted in You.

All: We are not still before You. We have not waited patiently for You, O Lord.

Pastor: Lord, teach us to refrain from anger and forsake wrath.

All: Turn our hearts from that which tends to evil.

Pastor: For the salvation of the righteous is from You, Lord, You are our stronghold in times of trouble.

All: Deliver us, O Lord. May we always take refuge in You.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—from Psalm 13:1, 5-6

How long, O Lord? Will you forget us forever? How long will you hide your face from us? But we have trusted in your steadfast love; our hearts shall rejoice in your salvation. We will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with us.

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

Hymn of Praise—O Lord, How Joyful Tis to See



Text: Charles Coffin, 1736, Tr by John Chandler, 1837, based on Psalm 133; Music: American Folk Melody

Orphan Sunday Report—Mark & Lindsey Elliott

The Reading of the Word—Philemon I:I-7

¹ Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ² and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, ⁶ and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷ For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

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

A Glowing Introduction

—Nate Shurden, Pastor

Sung Response—Sanctus



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.

Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

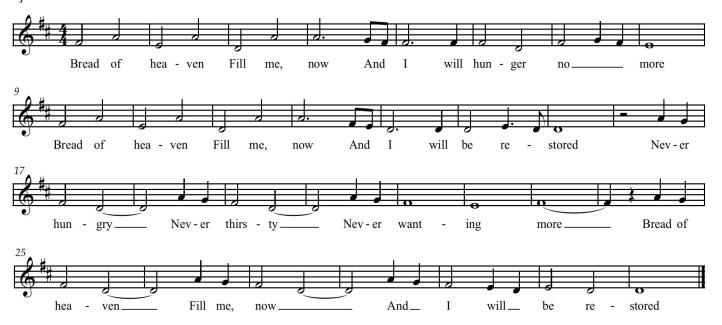
The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.

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.

^{* &}quot;Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

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.

Hymn of Communion—Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God



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 Communion—Great Is Thy Faithfulness



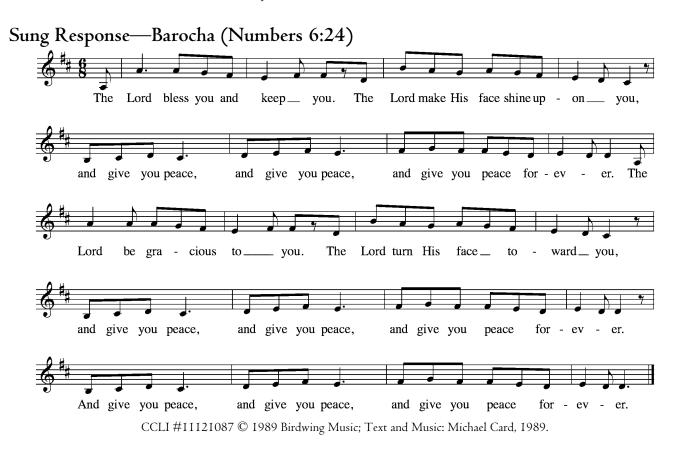
Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923; Music: FAITHFULNESS (RUNYAN), William M. Runyan, 1923.

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—Romans 8:38-39

38 For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen*.



Prayer Focus—David Carrera, Church Planter

David Carrera is a church planter and senior pastor of Beth Sar Shalom Reformed Church (BSSRC) in Shelbyville, TN that serves the Hispanic community in the area. BSSRC recently moved into a new location which is allowing additional ministries to be added to its ministry to include the production of a local Spanish radio program using the teaching material of Dr. R. C. Sproul.

- Pastor's physical health and spiritual strength
- Pastor's family: Graciela (wife) and Melissa, David Jr. And Jonathan
- The session of our church and the spiritual growing of our elders
- All our ministries that are serving to the congregation and the community
- The families and the couples that remains faithful to their duties as parents and spouses.
- The radio program: "Reinforcing your Faith" needs support and find ways to broadcast nationwide and international
- The opportunity to establish a Bible Institute in Spanish to prepare new pastors and leaders with Third Millennium Ministries in Shelbyville
- To reinforce our relationship with Cornerstone Presbyterian Church and serve them too



Reformation 500

CStone Wednesday Nights—Fall 2017

Catered Dinner at 5:30PM & Teaching and Vespers at 6:15PM

RSVP on-line at www.cornerstonepresfranklin.org by Monday at Noon

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, "A Glowing Introduction" is taken from Philemon I:I-7. Please take time to discuss the questions below with your family, friends, or Home Fellowship Group.

- What's the occasion for the writing of the letter of Philemon? Who are the three key figures in the letter, and what roles do they play? What is Paul hoping to accomplish with this letter?
- Take a few moments to discuss the particular word choices, descriptions, and sentiments in Paul's
 opening greeting and thanksgiving. How do these various elements work together to nurture an
 atmosphere of love?
- If someone were to write a spiritual greeting and thanksgiving for you, what would you want it to say? Take a moment now to practice giving thanks for those around you.
- Seeing someone refreshed by another's ministry is a tremendous source of joy in the Christian life
 (v.7). Take a moment to share a story of when your joy was increased watching someone else be
 refreshed in faith and love.
- Are there ways God is equipping and calling you to be a source of refreshment and joy for others?
 Take time now to share with those around you. Finish this time by praying for increased refreshment and joy in ministry among the membership of Cornerstone.

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