



Second Sunday in Easter



April 8, 2018



"I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in me, though he die,
yet shall he live."

John 11:25

A Service of Worship & Covenant Renewal

A GUIDE TO WORSHIP AT CORNERSTONE

To Our Guests:

Visiting a church can be an intimidating experience. We are glad that you are here, and we hope to remove as much of that awkwardness as we can from your visit to Cornerstone. Our Sunday service usually lasts about 75 minutes, and the following is designed to help you navigate it, whether you have been to church before or this is your first time. The goal of the service is to help each of us to see God's glory in Jesus Christ more clearly and understand more fully how he makes a difference in our lives.

The Sequence of Worship:

The flow of the worship service at Cornerstone follows a Biblical pattern that is very purposeful. It matches the story of God's work in our lives:

Called by God

God invites us to come into His presence, so we enter with joy and praise.

Cleansed by God

When God calls us, He also wants us to admit our need for Him. We confess our sins together and God cleanses us in Christ.

Consecrated by God

To be "consecrated" means to be set apart for a purpose or goal. We are consecrated by God's Word as we then read from the Scriptures and hear a sermon based on the Bible. One way we respond to God's Word is by giving to God's mission in the world through His church.

Communion with God

Having heard God's Word to us, we speak our requests back to God, and we have fellowship with Him in our prayer together. On certain Sundays we also have the Lord's Supper at this time, a meal that expresses God's communion with us.

Commissioned by God

The end of the worship service is God sending us back into the world to be His witnesses with His blessing (benediction).

Childcare:

Children of all ages are welcome in the service. We love to have children participating with the whole church in worship – even if they are a bit squirmy! However, should parents want assistance with their young children, we have **a nursery available** with nursery volunteers. Please do not hesitate to ask! We're ready to serve you and your children in any way we can.

*Note that we also have devices for the hearing impaired, if needed.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS – LEE BRANSCOME

†CALL TO WORSHIP: PHILIPPIANS 2:5–11

†ENTRANCE HYMN: "ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA! HEARTS TO HEAVEN"

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and everliving God,

You have brought us again to this glad season to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, whom You raised from death to life and crowned Lord of all. Yet we have often clung to our sorrows and lived our lives neglecting this truth. We confess that we have been slow to believe, and we have not joyfully acknowledged His rule over us as we ought. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him our whole lives. Forgive us, O God, and raise us from our sin, that we may be Your faithful people, knowing the joy of Easter triumph and walking in newness of life. Grant us the power of the resurrection to live holy lives, free from sin, and to follow in the mission He gave us; through Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord, Amen.

†ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

†GLORIA PATRI (#735)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen!

†GREETING OF GRACE AND PEACE OF CHRIST

We're glad you are worshiping with us today. If you are a visitor, please sign our guestbook in the foyer so that we can get to know you more.

†SONG OF THANKSGIVING: "I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER"

† Congregation stands as they are able

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

ODE TO JOY



1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
3. Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest field,
4. Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heav - nly grace,
5. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high!



sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
glo - rious life, and life im - mor - tal, on the ho - ly East - er morn.
which will all its full a - bun - dance at His sec - ond com - ing yield.
rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright - ness of Thy face,
Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sav - ior who has gained the vic - to - ry!



He, who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by His might - y en - ter - prise;
Then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore Him wave,
that we, with our hearts in heav - en, here on earth may fruit - ful be,
Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spir - it, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
we with Him to life e - ter - nal by His res - ur - rec - tion rise.
rip - ened by His glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with Thee.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.



I Will Glory In My Redeemer

Verse 1

I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
And hung Him on that judgment tree
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the power of sin and death
My only Savior before the holy Judge
The Lamb Who is my righteousness
The Lamb Who is my righteousness

Verse 2

I will glory in my Redeemer
My life He bought my love He owns
I have no longings for another
I'm satisfied in Him alone
I will glory in my Redeemer
His faithfulness my standing place
Though foes are mighty and rush up on me
My feet are firm held by His grace
My feet are firm held by His grace

Verse 3

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagle's wings
He crowns my life with loving kindness
His triumph song I'll ever sing
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold
And when He calls me it will be paradise
His face forever to behold
His face forever to behold

RESPONSIVE PSALM READING: PSALM 116

- ¹ I love the LORD because He has heard my voice
and my pleas for mercy!
- ² Because He inclined His ear to me,
therefore I will call on Him as long as I live!
- ³ The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
- ⁴ Then I called on the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”
- ⁵ Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
our God is merciful.
- ⁶ The LORD preserves the simple;
when I was brought low, He saved me.
- ⁷ Return, O my soul, to your rest;
for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.
- ⁸ For You have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;
- ⁹ I will walk before the LORD
in the land of the living.
- ¹⁰ I believed; therefore, I spoke:
“I am greatly afflicted”;
- ¹¹ I said in my alarm,
“All mankind are liars.”
- ¹² What shall I render to the LORD
for all His benefits to me?
- ¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD!
- ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.
- ¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of His saints.
- ¹⁶ O LORD, I am Your servant;
I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant.
You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷ I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸ I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all His people,

¹⁹ in the courts of the house of the LORD,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the LORD!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Ezekiel 37:1–6, 11–14

New Testament: John 11:1–27

Ezekiel 37:1–6, 11–14

¹ The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of dead bones. ² And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³ And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O LORD God, you know.” ⁴ Then he said to me, “Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, ‘O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!’” ⁵ Thus says the LORD God to these bones: ‘Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live! ⁶ And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD!’”

¹¹ Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.’” ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the LORD God: ‘Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.’”

John 11:1–27

¹ Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. ³ So the sisters sent to him, saying, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” ⁴ But when Jesus heard it he said, “This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶ So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷ Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” ⁸ The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?” ⁹ Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. ¹⁰ But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” ¹¹ After saying these things, he said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him.” ¹² The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.” ¹³ Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. ¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, ¹⁵ and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” ¹⁶ So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

¹⁷ Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸ Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰ So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” ²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

²⁸ When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” ²⁹ And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet

come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. ³¹When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus wept. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

**SERMON – Rev. Andrew Jacobson,
"Jesus: Lord Over the Grave"**

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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HYMN: "GLORIOUS DAY (LIVING HE LOVED ME)"

Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

1. One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men, my example is He
Word became flesh and the Light shined among us
His glory revealed

Chorus

*Living He loved me, Dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
O glorious day O glorious day*

2. One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree
And took the nails from me

Chorus

3. One day the grave could conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose over death He had conquered
Now is ascended, my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him
From rising again

Chorus

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful Day, my Beloved One bringing
My Savior Jesus is mine

Chorus

†DOXOLOGY (#731)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him, all creatures here below!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!*

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE – ANDREW JACOBSON

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!*

†**CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES CREED**

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose
again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at
the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will
come to judge the living and the dead.
I 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!*

†**COMMISSIONING HYMN:**

"NOW LET THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUND" (NEXT PAGE)

†**COMMISSION & BENEDICTION**

Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound

LASST UNS ERFREUEN (8 8. 4. 4. 8 8. 4. 4. and Alleluias)

Unison

1. Now let the vault of heav'n re - sound In praise of
 2. E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, Where - fore our
 3. O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set heart and
 4. A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And with the

Harmony

Love that doth a - bound, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Al - le -
 heart with rap - ture sings, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Je - sus
 will on things a - bove That we con - quer through Thy
 heav'n - ly bless - ed sing, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Al - le -

Unison

lu - ia;" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear, Re -
 liv - eth!" Now doth He come and give us life, Now
 tri - umph, Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day That
 lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, To

Harmony

peat their song of glo - ry here, "Christ hath
 doth His pres - ence still all strife Through His
 by our life we ev - er say, "Christ hath
 Spir - it blest, most ho - ly God, Thine the

tri - umphed, Christ hath tri - umphed!" Al - le -
 tri - umph; Je - sus reign - eth! Al - le -
 tri - umphed, and He liv - eth!" Al - le -
 glo - ry nev - er end - ing! Al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School is an in-depth study of Scripture. Brian Mumme leads the discussion, starting at 9:45 am Sunday mornings. **Children's and Young Adult's Sunday Schools** are offered at this time as well.

Monday night prayer meeting is each Monday at 7:00 pm. For those unable to attend the meeting in person we have established a conference line with a speaker phone. Contact Gary Butler or Jim Zetler for details.

All-Church Fellowship Lunch is next week, Sunday, **April 15**, directly after the worship service. See Joycelyn Branscome or Becky Crouse about the details on what to bring.

Jamie & Catey Alburger will be participating in this year's **Walk for Life** to support *First Care Women's Clinic* on Saturday, April 21. If you would like to walk with them or donate (<https://runsignup.com/jalburger>), please talk to the Alburgers.

Cornerstone Directory: we are updating our directory of contact information for our congregation. Please check with Becky Crouse (RebekahLCrouse@gmail.com) about your current information.

***Please turn off all cell phones during the service.
Thank you!***

CORNERSTONE MINISTRIES

- Sunday School
 - Adults (Brian Mumme)
 - Young Adults (Jamie Alburger)
 - Children (Catey Alburger)
- Monday Evening Prayer Meeting (Gary Butler and Jim Zetler)
- 2nd Sunday Outreach (Brian Mumme and Jamie Alburger)
- Communion Sunday Lunch (Becky Crouse & Joycelyn Branscome)
- Men's Prayer Breakfast (Tom Joseph)
- Women's Fellowship (Becky Crouse)

PRAYER LIST

Matt & Carmen O'Reilly – for transition and encouragement at the beginning of their marriage; for a smooth move to FL for Carmen

Betty Butler & Family – for comfort after her mother's passing

Melanie Pitts – for successful treatment of the new brain cancer; encouragement for Melanie and her family

Barry Pitts – encouragement as he takes care of both Melanie and his ailing mother

Leyda Ruiz – recovery from surgery and relief from pain

Shelby Blood – for encouragement and help during a difficult time

Betty Games – for her continued kidney dialysis and that Betty's condition would improve; for strength for DeVere for his faithful care

Virginia Wildrick – continued strength and healing

Jamie Alburger – for the completion of his doctoral education and guidance in career decisions afterwards

Harry Bromilow – continued healing from heart surgery and his headaches

Norma Bromilow – strength in caring for Harry after his heart surgery and for relief from her arthritis

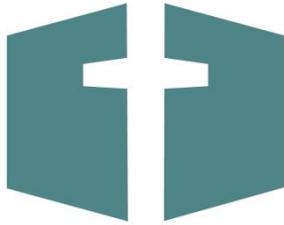
Claire Castner – relief and healing of her headaches

Phil Toren – full recovery from stroke

Gary Butler – healing from intestinal issues

Christy Branche – relief from chronic headaches; college decision

Ornstein Family – full transition to Virginia; finding a new church home; for Helen and Kevin here



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