

# Cornerstone Church PCA

The Lord's Day



November 25, 2018



He is like a tree,  
planted by streams of water,  
that yields its fruit in season,  
and its leaf does not wither!

Psalm 1:3

A Service of Covenant Renewal Worship

# A WELCOME GUIDE TO WORSHIP AT CORNERSTONE

## To Our Guests:

Visiting a church can be an intimidating experience. We are glad 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.

Please sign our guestbook in foyer so we can get to know you more!

## 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. 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 – PASTOR ROBBIE CROUSE**

Pastor: “The Lord be with you!”

Congregation: “And also with you!”

### **†CALL TO WORSHIP: REVELATION 15:3–5**

### **†PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION**

### **†ENTRANCE SONG: “HOLY IS THE LORD” (NEXT PAGE)**

### **CONFESSON OF SIN**

*ETERNAL God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son, Amen.*

### **†ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **†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!*

### **†GREETING OF GRACE AND PEACE OF CHRIST**

### **†SONG OF ASCENT: “GOD OF WONDERS” (NEXT PAGE)**

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† Congregation stands as they are able

# Holy Is The Lord

## **Verse**

We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great, how awesome is He!

## **Chorus**

And together we sing  
Everyone sing..

*Holy is the Lord God Almighty!  
The earth is filled with His glory!  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty!  
The earth is filled with His glory!  
The earth is filled with His glory!*

## **Repeat Verse and Chorus**

## **Bridge**

It is rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

## **Repeat Chorus**

# God of Wonders

## **Verse 1**

Lord of all creation  
Of water, earth, and sky  
The heavens are Your tabernacle  
Glory to the Lord on high!

## **Chorus**

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy,  
You are holy, holy!  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy!  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
Lord of heaven and earth!*

## **Verse 2**

Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light  
When I stumble in the darkness  
I will call Your name by night!

## **Repeat Chorus**

## **Bridge**

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth!  
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Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth!

## **Repeat Chorus**

## **†RESPONSIVE PSALM READING: PSALM 1**

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the man  
*who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,*

nor stands in the way of sinners,  
*nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*

<sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
*and on His law he meditates day and night!*

<sup>3</sup> He is like a tree,  
*planted by streams of water,*

that yields its fruit in season,  
*and its leaf does not wither!*

In all that he does,  
*he prospers!*

<sup>4</sup> Not so the wicked!,  
*For they are like chaff that the wind blows away.*

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
*nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;*

<sup>6</sup> for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
*but the way of the wicked will perish!*

## **†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!*

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 10:12–22

New Testament: John 15:1–11 / 2 Peter 1:1–12

## Old Testament

### Deuteronomy 10:12–22

<sup>12</sup> “And now, O Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul,<sup>13</sup> and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good?<sup>14</sup> Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it.<sup>15</sup> Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their children after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn.<sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe.<sup>18</sup> He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.<sup>19</sup> So therefore love the sojourner, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.<sup>20</sup> You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear.<sup>21</sup> He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your eyes have seen.<sup>22</sup> Your fathers went down to Egypt seventy persons, and now the Lord your God has made you as numerous as the stars of heaven!

## New Testament (Gospel)

### John 15:1–11

<sup>1</sup> I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in me that does not bear fruit He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, so that it may bear even more fruit! <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified: that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples! <sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and abide in His love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full!

## New Testament (Epistle)

### 2 Peter 1:1–12

<sup>1</sup>Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

<sup>2</sup>May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord!

<sup>3</sup>His divine power has granted to us all things for life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,<sup>4</sup> by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.<sup>5</sup> For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge,<sup>6</sup> and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness,<sup>7</sup> and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.<sup>8</sup> For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>9</sup>For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.<sup>10</sup> Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.<sup>11</sup> For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.<sup>12</sup> Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have.

**SERMON – PASTOR ROBBIE CROUSE**  
**“How People Change”**

# COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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## SONG OF RESPONSE: "MAY THE MIND OF CHRIST MY SAVIOR"



1. May the mind of Christ, my Savior,  
2. May the Word of God dwell rich - ly  
3. May the peace of God, my Fa - ther,  
4. May the love of Je - sus fill me  
5. May I run the race be - fore me,  
6. May His beau - ty rest up - on me



live in me from day to day,  
in my heart from hour to hour,  
rule my life in ev - ry - thing,  
as the wa - ters fill the sea.  
strong and brave to face the foe,  
as I seek the lost to win,



by His love and pow'r con - trol - ing  
so that all may see I tri - umph  
that I may be calm to com - fort  
Him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing:  
look - ing on - ly un - to Je - sus  
and may they for - get the chan - nel,



all I do and say!  
on ly through His pow'r!  
sick and sor row - ing!  
this is vic tor - y!  
as I on ward go!  
see - ing on - ly Him!

## **PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE FOR CHURCH AND WORLD**

### **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!*

### **CONFESION 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 SONG:**

**"MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS" (#521)**

### **†COMMISSION & BENEDICTION**

## My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (#521)

1. My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name!

### **Chorus**

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand!  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand!*

2. When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In ev'ry high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil!

### **Chorus**

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood,  
Support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay!

### **Chorus**

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
O may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School** begins at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings and finishes at 10:30 am. Brian Mumme leads the adult discussion in the study of Philippians. **Children** and **Young Adult Sunday Schools** are available 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 there is a conference line with a speaker phone. Contact Gary Butler for details.

Mark your calendars for a **Christmas Eve service**, Monday, December 24, at Cornerstone. More details to come!

The elders at Cornerstone meet regularly to pray for the church and seek ways to shepherd Christ's flock. We are available to pray for you, give counsel about challenging circumstances and decisions, or help as peacemakers in situations of conflict. Please let us know how we can pray and serve you in Christ.

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

## CORNERSTONE MINISTRIES

Sunday School

    Adults (Brian Mumme)

    Young Adults

    Children

Monday Night Prayer Meeting (Gary Butler)

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Outreach (Barry Pitts)

All-Church Fellowship Lunch (Joycelyn Branscome)

Men's Prayer Breakfast (Tom Joseph)

Women's Ministry (Joycelyn Branscome)

## PRAYER LIST

**Leyda Ruiz** – for recovery from an infection and injury

**Becky Crouse** – for a healthy pregnancy and health of the baby; for relief from nausea and sickness; for the family as they care for her

**Tom Joseph** – for healing and recovery from broken ribs

**Aaron Blood** – for recovery from a broken collar bone and other injuries

**Branche Family** – for success for their new store in Jupiter

**The Family of Harry Castner** – for comfort after Harry's death

**Harold Gooding** – for health and comfort for the death of his grandson

**Linda Jackson** – for her ailing father in PA and her care for him

**Debbie Jackson** – for comfort as she grieves the loss of her grandmother

**Betty Butler** – for help and wisdom dealing with heart palpitations

**Melanie Pitts** – for successful treatment of brain cancer; encouragement for Melanie and Barry as he cares for her

**Jayme Sellards** – for care for his parents' health, who have both been diagnosed with cancer; for witness to his parents; transition at new job

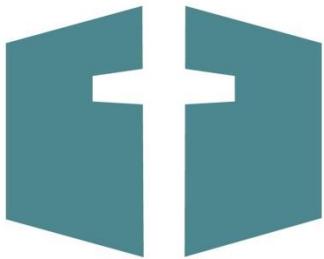
**Brian Mumme** – for care for his mother; for her to believe in Christ

**Harry & Norma Bromilow** – Harry's continued recovery from headaches; for relief for Norma from arthritis

**Matt & Carmen O'Reilly** – for a smooth transition to FL for Carmen

**Cody & Eseta Drinkwine** – for Cody's work; for health issues for Eseta

**Christy Branche** – relief from chronic headaches; preparation for college



# Cornerstone Church PCA

"Christ Jesus himself is the cornerstone."

Ephesians 2:20

## Exalting the King & Extending His Kingdom

### Pastor

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Rev. Gary Butler  
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### Deacons (Diaconate)

Tom Joseph (chairman)  
Brian Mumme  
Barry Pitts

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