



Cornerstone Church PCA

The Lord's Day



July 14, 2019



The LORD our GOD said to us at Horeb,
"You have stayed long enough on this mountain!"

Deuteronomy 1:6

A Service of Covenant Renewal Worship

WELCOME TO CORNERSTONE CHURCH!

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 by His forgiveness.

Consecrated by God

To be "consecrated" means to be set apart for a purpose. 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 now speak our requests back to God in our prayer together. We also have the Lord's Supper at this time, a meal that seals 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 do have **a nursery available**. Please do not hesitate to ask someone, and we will grab volunteers to staff the nursery. We are 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: "The Lord be with you!"

Church: "*And also with you!*"

†CALL TO WORSHIP

†PRAYER OF PRAISE & INVOCATION

†ENTRANCE SONG: "COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING" (#302)

CONFESSION OF SIN

MOST MERCIFUL GOD,

We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For these sins, and for our sinfulness, we are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. 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: "AS THE DEER" (NEXT PAGE)

Come, Christians, Join to Sing (#302)

1. Come, Christians, join to sing

Alleluia, Amen!

loud praise to Christ our King;

Alleluia, Amen!

let all, with heart and voice,

before His throne rejoice;

praise is His gracious choice!

Alleluia, Amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high,

Alleluia, Amen!

Let praises fill the sky!

Alleluia, Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend,

to us He'll condescend!

His love shall never end!

Alleluia, Amen!

3. Praise yet our Christ again,

Alleluia, Amen!

Life shall not end the strain!

Alleluia, Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore,

His goodness we'll adore,

singing forevermore,

"Alleluia, Amen!"

As the Deer

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee!

Chorus

*You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee!*

You're my friend
And You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything!

Chorus

I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy-Giver
And the apple of my eye!

Chorus

†**RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 122**

¹ I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go up to the house of the LORD!”

² Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

³ Jerusalem—built as a city
is bound firmly together,

⁴ to which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD,

as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD!

⁵ There thrones for judgment were set,
the thrones of the house of David!

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
“May those who love You be secure!

⁷ Peace be within your walls
and security within your towers!”

⁸ For the sake of my brothers and my friends
I will say, “Peace be among you!”

⁹ For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,
I will seek your good!

†**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 1:3–8

New Testament: Mark 9:2–29

Deuteronomy 1:3–8

³In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses spoke to the people of Israel according to all that the LORD had commanded him concerning them. ⁴This was after he had defeated Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who lived in Ashtaroth and in Edrei.

⁵Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses undertook to explain this law, saying, ⁶“The LORD our God said to us in Horeb, ‘You have stayed long enough on this mountain. ⁷Break camp and take your journey, and go to the hill country of the Amorites and to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the hill country and in the lowland and in the Negev and by the seacoast, to the land of the Canaanites, and Lebanon, as far as the great river, the river Euphrates. ⁸See, I have set this land before you. Go in and take possession of the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob—and to their offspring after them.”

Mark 9:2–29

² After six days Jesus took Peter and James and John with him and led them up on a high mountain by themselves. And there he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became radiant, dazzlingly white, whiter than anyone on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵ And Peter said to Jesus, “Teacher, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents— one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” ⁶ (For he did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) ⁷ And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him!” ⁸ And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹ And as they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to tell anyone what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead might mean. ¹¹ And they asked him, “Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” ¹² And he said to them, “Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be rejected? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him.”

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and the scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And as soon as the crowd saw Jesus, they were greatly amazed and ran to greet him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” ¹⁷ And a man from the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams at the mouth and gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast out the spirit, but they could not.

¹⁹ And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” ²⁰ So they brought the boy to him. When the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, “How long has he been like this?” And he said, “From childhood. ²² It has often cast him into fire and into water to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us!” ²³ And Jesus said to him, “‘If you can?’ All things are possible for one who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately, then, the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!”

²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again!” ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was as a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and raised him up, and he arose.

²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” ²⁹ And he said to them, “This kind can only come out by prayer.”

SERMON – ROBBIE CROUSE

Down from the Mountaintop and Into the World: Living by Faith in the Valley

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
&
SONG OF RESPONSE: "WE REST ON THEE" (#449)

1. We rest on Thee, our Shield and our Defender!
 We go not forth alone against the foe;
strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
 we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go;
strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
 we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go!

2. Yes, in Thy name, O Captain of salvation!
 In Thy dear Name, all other names above;
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
 our Prince of glory and our King of love;
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
 our Prince of glory and our King of love!

3. We go in faith, our own great weakness feeling,
and needing more each day Thy grace to know:
yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
 "We rest on Thee, and in Thy Name we go!"
yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
 "We rest on Thee, and in Thy Name we go!"

4. We rest on Thee, our Shield and our Defender!
 Thine is the battle, Thine shall be the praise;
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
 victors, we rest with Thee, through endless days;
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
 victors, we rest with Thee, through endless days!

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!

† 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!*

THE LORD'S SUPPER*

*Communion is for baptized believers who are in good standing with their church (not under any church discipline) and are seeking to obey their Lord.

The bread is gluten-free. Grape juice is in the *outer* ring, and wine is in the *inner* rings. Please wait to eat and drink together.*

COMMUNION SONGS (NEXT PAGE)

THE BREAD: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" (verses 1–2)

THE CUP: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" (verses 3–4)

I Will Sing of My Redeemer (#650)

1. I will sing of my Redeemer
and His wondrous love to me!
On the cruel cross He suffered,
from the curse to set me free!

Chorus

*Sing, O sing of my Redeemer!
With His blood He purchased me!
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
paid the debt and made me free!*

2. I will tell the wondrous story,
how my lost estate to save,
in His boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave! [**Chorus**]

3. I will praise my dear Redeemer,
His triumphant pow'r I'll tell,
how the victory He giveth
over sin and death and hell! [**Chorus**]

4. I will sing of my Redeemer
and His heav'nly love to me;
He from death to life has brought me,
Son of God, with Him to be! [**Chorus**]

Pastor: "As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes!"

Church: "Amen! Come Lord Jesus!"

O Church Arise!

1. O Church, arise, and put your armor on!
Hear the call of Christ our Captain!
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given!
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
We'll stand against the devil's lies,
An army bold, whose battle cry is Love,
Reaching out to those in darkness!
2. Our call to war: to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
We will fight with faith and valor!
When faced with trials on every side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died:
An inheritance of nations!
3. Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him!
4. So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride;
Give grace for every hurdle;
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful!
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in Glory!