



# Cornerstone Church PCA

The Lord's Day



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He said to them, "If anyone would be first,  
he must be last of all and servant of all."

Mark 9:35

*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:**

**"HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING" (NEXT PAGE)**

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

ALMIGHTY AND MOST MERCIFUL FATHER,

We acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength, and we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We ask of You, O Lord, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and of Your mercy to direct what we shall be; so that from now on we may walk in the way of your commandments and do those things which are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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: "BETTER IS ONE DAY" (NEXT PAGE)**

# How Can I Keep From Singing

1. There is an endless song,  
    echoes in my soul;  
    I hear the music ring!  
And though the storms may come  
    I am holding on,  
    To the Rock I cling!

## **Chorus**

*How can I keep from singing Your praise!  
    How can I ever say enough!  
    How amazing is Your Love!  
How can I keep from shouting Your Name!  
    I know I am loved by the King,  
    And it makes my heart want to sing!*

2. I will lift my eyes  
    In the darkest night  
    For I know my Savior lives!  
    And I will walk with You,  
Knowing You'll see me through,  
    And sing the songs You give!

## **Chorus 2X**

# Better Is One Day

1. How lovely is Your dwelling place  
    O Lord Almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
    For here my heart is satisfied  
    Within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

## **Chorus**

*Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
    Than thousands elsewhere!*

*Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
    Than thousands elsewhere  
(Than thousands elsewhere)*

2. One thing I ask and I would seek  
    To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells

## **Chorus**

## **Bridge**

My heart and flesh cry out,  
    for You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
    I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
    I will draw near to You  
    I will draw near to You

## **Chorus**

†**RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 54**

- <sup>1</sup> O God, save me by Your name,  
*and vindicate me by Your might!*
- <sup>2</sup> O God, hear my prayer!  
*Give ear to the words of my mouth!*
- <sup>3</sup> For strangers have risen against me;  
*and violent men seek my life;*  
*they have no regard for God!*
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, God is my helper;  
*the LORD is the upholder of my life!*
- <sup>5</sup> He will repay my enemies for their evil;  
*in Your faithfulness put an end to them!*
- <sup>6</sup> With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to You;  
*I will give thanks to Your name, O LORD, for it is good!*
- <sup>7</sup> For He has delivered me from every trouble,  
*and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies!*

†**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: Isaiah 57:14–21

New Testament: Mark 9:30–50

Isaiah 57:14–21

<sup>14</sup> And it shall be said,  
“Build up, build up, prepare the way,  
remove every obstruction from my people’s way!”

<sup>15</sup> For thus says the One who is high and lifted up,  
who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:

“I dwell in the high and holy place,  
and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit,

to revive the spirit of the lowly,  
and to revive the humble heart!

<sup>16</sup> For I will not contend forever,  
nor will I always be angry;

for the spirit would grow faint before me,  
and the breath of life that I made.

<sup>17</sup> Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry,  
I struck him; I hid my face and was angry,  
but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart.

<sup>18</sup> I have seen his ways, and yet I will heal him;  
I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners,  
<sup>19</sup> creating the fruit of the lips.

Peace, peace, to those who are far and to those who are near,”  
says the LORD,  
“and I will heal him.

<sup>20</sup> But the wicked are like the tossing sea;  
for it cannot be calm;

its waters cast up mire and mud.

<sup>21</sup> There is no peace,” says my God, “for the wicked.”

## Mark 9:30–50

<sup>30</sup> They went on the way from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup> for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.”

<sup>32</sup> But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup> And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” <sup>34</sup> But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup> And he sat down and called the Twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”

<sup>36</sup> And he took a little child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not only me but him who sent me.”

<sup>38</sup> John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup> But Jesus said, “Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup> For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup> For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

<sup>42</sup> Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to stumble, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea.

<sup>43</sup> And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup> And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell,

<sup>48</sup> 'where their worm does not die  
and the fire is not quenched.'

<sup>49</sup> For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup> Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

**SERMON – ROBBIE CROUSE**

**"On the Way" Again:**

**Jesus' Lessons on Cruciform Discipleship**

# 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 Sav - ior,
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 - ling  
*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!*

## †CONFESSIO 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: "What Wondrous Love Is This?" (verses 1–2)**

**THE CUP: "What Wondrous Love Is This?" (verses 3–4)**

# What Wondrous Love Is This?

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2. When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,

Christ laid aside His crown for my soul!

3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM!

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing!

While millions join the theme, I will sing!

4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing His love for me,

And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

And through eternity I'll sing on!

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!*"

# Soldiers of Christ, Arise! (#575)

1. Soldiers of Christ, arise,  
and put your armor on,  
strong in the strength which God supplies  
through His eternal Son!  
Strong in the Lord of Hosts,  
and in His mighty pow'r,  
who in the strength of Jesus trusts  
is more than conqueror!

2. Stand then in His great might,  
with all His strength endued;  
but take, to arm you for the fight,  
the whole armor of God!  
Leave no unguarded place,  
no weakness of the soul;  
take ev'ry virtue, ev'ry grace,  
and fortify the whole!

3. To keep your armor bright,  
attend with constant care,  
still walking in your Captain's sight,  
and watching unto prayer!  
From strength to strength go on;  
wrestle and fight and pray;  
tread all the pow'rs of darkness down,  
and win the well-fought day!

"Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power,  
and put on the full armor of God."

Ephesians 6:10-11