



Cornerstone Church PCA

The Lord's Day



August 25, 2019



Thus says the Lord: "Behold, I am setting before you
the way of life and the way of death!"

Jeremiah 21:8

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: "BE THOU MY VISION" (NEXT PAGE)

CONFESSION OF SIN

ALMIGHTY GOD, MERCIFUL FATHER,

We, poor sinners, confess to You all our sins and iniquities which we have committed against You and which justly deserve Your holy wrath. We are truly sorry for them, and we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace found only in Christ Jesus. By his suffering and death, by his resurrection and intercession, grant us forgiveness, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You that we might forsake our sin and be led to everlasting life. 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: "SPEAK, O LORD" (NEXT PAGE)

Be Thou My Vision (#642)

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart!
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art!
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light!

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord!
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one!

Be Thou my battle-shield, sword for my fight!
Be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r;
raise Thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r!

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always!
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art!

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all!

“And as we all behold the glory of the Lord with unveiled faces,
we are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory!”

Speak, O Lord

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
to receive the food of Your Holy Word!
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith!
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all Your purposes for Your glory!

2. Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility;
test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of Your purity!
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
your majestic love and authority!
Words of power that can never fail—
let their truth prevail over unbelief!

3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
truths unchanged from the dawn of time
that will echo down through eternity!
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us!
Speak, O Lord, till Your Church is built
and the earth is filled with Your glory!

†**RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 38**

¹ O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger,
nor discipline me in your wrath!

² For your arrows have sunk into me,
and your hand has come down upon me!

³ There is no soundness in my flesh
because of your indignation;

there is no health in my bones
because of my sin!

⁴ For my iniquities have gone over my head;
like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me!

⁵ My wounds stink and fester
because of my foolishness;

⁶ I am utterly bowed down and prostrate;
all day I go about mourning!

⁷ For my sides are filled with burning,
and there is no soundness in my flesh!

⁸ I am feeble and crushed;
I groan because of the tumult of my heart!

⁹ O Lord, all my longing is before you;
my sighing is not hidden from you!

¹⁰ My heart throbs; my strength fails me,
and the light of my eyes has gone from me!

¹¹ My friends and companions stand aloof from my plague,
and my family stands far off!

¹² Those who seek my life lay their snares;
*those who seek my hurt speak of ruin,
and plan treachery all day long!*

¹³ But I am like a deaf man; I do not hear,
like a mute man who cannot open his mouth!

¹⁴ I have become like a man who does not hear,
and whose mouth offers no reply!

¹⁵ But for you, O LORD, do I wait;
it is you, O LORD my God, who will answer!

¹⁶ For I said, "Only let them not rejoice over me,
who boast against me when my foot slips!"

¹⁷ For I am ready to fall,
and my pain is ever before me!

¹⁸ I confess my iniquity;
I am sorry for my sin!

¹⁹ But my foes are vigorous, they are mighty,
and many are those who hate me wrongfully!

²⁰ Those who render me evil for good
accuse me because I follow after good!

²¹ Do not forsake me, O LORD!
O my God, be not far from me!

²² Make haste to help me,
O Lord, my salvation!

†**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: Jeremiah 21:1–9

New Testament: Mark 10:17–34

Jeremiah 21:1–9

¹ This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, when King Zedekiah sent to him Pashhur the son of Malchiah and Zephaniah the priest, the son of Maaseiah, saying, ² “Inquire of the LORD for us, for Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon is making war against us. Perhaps the LORD will deal with us according to all His wonderful deeds so that the enemy will withdraw from us!”

³ But Jeremiah answered them: “Tell Zedekiah, ⁴ ‘Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands and with which you are fighting against the king of Babylon and against the Babylonians who are besieging you outside the walls. And I will bring them together into the midst of this city. ⁵ I myself will fight against you with outstretched hand and a mighty arm, in anger and in fury and in great wrath. ⁶ And I will strike down the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast. They shall die of a great pestilence. ⁷ Afterward, declares the LORD, I will give Zedekiah king of Judah and his servants and the people in this city who survive the pestilence, sword, and famine into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and into the hand of their enemies, into the hand of those who seek their lives. He shall strike them down with the edge of the sword. He shall not pity them or spare them or have compassion.’”

⁸ “And to the people you shall say: ‘Thus says the LORD: Behold, I am setting before you the way of life and the way of death! ⁹ The one who stays in this city shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence, but whoever goes out and surrenders himself to the Babylonians who are besieging you shall live, and he shall escape with his life as a prize of war.’”

Mark 10:17-34

¹⁷ And as Jesus was setting out on his way, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰ And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." ²¹ And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." ²² Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

²³ And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you!" ²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

³² And they were on the way, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the Twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³ saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

SERMON – ROBBIE CROUSE

The Victory of Surrender:

What the Rich Young Ruler Teaches Us About the Christian Life

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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SONG OF RESPONSE: "ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER" (#562)

All to Jesus I surrender,
all to Him I freely give;
may I ever love and trust him,
in His presence daily live!

Chorus

*I surrender all, I surrender all!
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all!*

All to Jesus I surrender,
humbly at His feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken,
take me, Jesus, take me now! [**Chorus**]

All to Jesus I surrender,
make me, Savior, wholly Thine:
may Thy Holy Spirit fill me,
may I know Thy pow'r divine! [**Chorus**]

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
fill me with Thy love and power,
let Thy blessing fall on me! [**Chorus**]

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!

†CONFESSON 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: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verses 1–2)

THE CUP: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verses 3–4)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (#252)

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride!

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood!

3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a Crown?

4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all!

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!*