

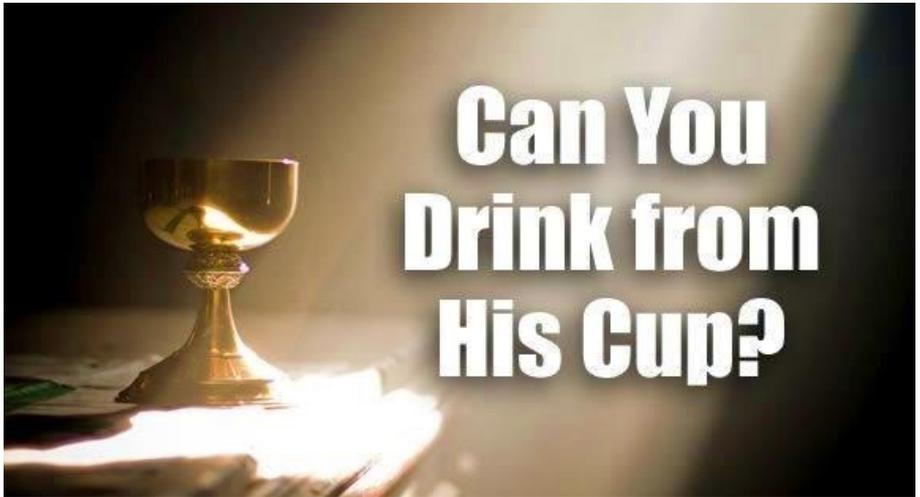


Cornerstone
Church PCA

The Lord's Day



September 8, 2019



Can you drink of the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

Mark 10:38

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: PSALM 29

†PRAYER OF PRAISE & INVOCATION

†ENTRANCE SONG:

"10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL)" (NEXT PAGE)

CONFESSION OF SIN

ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our many transgressions that we have committed against You. We admit our wrongdoing before You, even those sins that we cannot name and of which we are only dimly aware. Accept our repentance and have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Forgive us of all that is past, and grant that from now on we may serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your Name, 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: "HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR!" (#246)

† Congregation stands as they are able

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord, O My Soul)

Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

O my soul!

Worship His holy name!

Sing like never before,

O my soul!

I'll worship Your holy name!

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing Your song again!
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
let me be singing when the evening comes! [**Chorus**]

2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind!
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find! [**Chorus**]

3. And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
ten thousand years and then forevermore!

Chorus 2X

(Ending)

Worship Your holy name

Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

Hallelujah, What A Savior! (#246)

“Man of Sorrows,” what a name
for the Son of God who came,
ruined sinners to reclaim:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
in my place condemned He stood,
sealed my pardon with His blood:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we;
spotless Lamb of God was He;
full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die,
"It is finished!" was His cry:
now in heav'n exalted high:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,
all His ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

†**RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 11**

- ¹ In the LORD I take refuge;
*how can you say to my soul,
“Flee like a bird to your mountain,*
- ² for behold, the wicked bend the bow;
*they have fitted their arrow to the string
to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart;*
- ³ if the foundations are destroyed,
what can the righteous do?”
- ⁴ The LORD is in His holy temple;
*the LORD’s throne is in heaven;
He see all, and His eyes examine the children of man!*
- ⁵ The LORD tests the righteous,
*but His soul hates the wicked
and the one who loves violence.*
- ⁶ He will rain down coals on the wicked;
*fire and sulfur and a scorching wind
shall be the portion of their cup!*
- ⁷ For the LORD is righteous, He loves justice;
the upright shall behold His face!

†**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 35:1–10

New Testament: Mark 10:32–52

Isaiah 35:1–10

¹ The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad;
the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus!

² It shall blossom abundantly
and rejoice with joy and singing!

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon!

They shall see the glory of the LORD,
the majesty of our God!

³ Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm feeble knees!

⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart,
“Take courage; fear not!

Behold, your God will come with vengeance,
with His reward, He will come and save you!”

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute will sing for joy!

For waters will pour forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes!

⁸ And a highway shall run through there,
and it shall be called The Way of Holiness!

The unclean shall not pass over it,
for it shall belong to those who walk on the Way;
and fools will not wander onto it.

⁹ No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come on it;

they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.

¹⁰ And the ransomed of the LORD shall return
and come to Zion with singing!

Everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain gladness and joy,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away!

Mark 10:32-52

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."

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you!" ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one on your right hand and one on your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹ And when the ten heard of this, they were indignant at James and John.

⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men domineer them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. Instead whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be chief among you must be servant of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

⁴⁶ And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the way. ⁴⁷ And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart! Get up! He is calling you!" ⁵⁰ And throwing off his cloak, he arose and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Teacher, let me recover my sight!" ⁵² And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

SERMON – ROBBIE CROUSE

“Glory to God in the Lowest!” Descending into Greatness

**COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
&
SONG OF RESPONSE: “AMAZING GRACE”**

Amazing grace – how sweet the sound! –
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see!

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved!
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come!
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his Word my hope secures!
He will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures!

And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace!

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we've first begun!

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: "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" (verses 1–3)

THE CUP: "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" (verses 4–6)

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands
for our offenses given;
but now at God's right hand He stands
and brings us life from heaven!
Therefore let us joyful be
and sing to God right thankfully
loud songs of 'alleluia!' *Alleluia!*

Christ Jesus God's own Son came down
His people to deliver;
destroying sin, He took the crown
from Death's pale brow forever:
stripped of pow'r, no more it reigns,
an empty form alone remains;
its sting is lost forever! *Alleluia!*

It was a strange and dreadful strife
when life and death contended;
the victory remained with life,
the reign of death was ended!
Holy Scripture plainly saith
that death is swallowed up by death,
its sting is lost forever! *Alleluia!*

Here our true Paschal Lamb we see,
whom God so freely gave us;
He died on the accursed tree—
so strong His love to save us!
See, His blood now marks our door;
Faith points to it, death passes o'er,
and Satan cannot harm us! *Alleluia!*

So let us keep the festival
to which the Lord invites us!
Christ is Himself the joy of all,
the sun that warms and lights us!
Now His grace to us imparts
eternal sunshine to our hearts!
The night of sin is ended! *Alleluia!*

Then let us feast this joyful day
on Christ, the Bread of heaven!
The Word of grace has purged away
the old and evil leaven!
Christ alone our souls will feed;
He is our meat and drink indeed!
Faith lives upon no other! *Alleluia!*

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!*

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands



1. Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for our of - fens - es giv - en;
2. Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came down, His peo - ple to de - liv - er;
3. It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and death con - tend - ed;
4. Here our true Pas - chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us;



But now at God's right hand He stands and brings us life from heav - en!
De - stroy - ing sin, He took the crown from death's pale brow for - ev - er!
The vic - to - ry re - main - ed with life; the reign of death was end - ed!
He died on the ac - curs - ed tree, so strong His love to save us!



There - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly
Stripped of pow'r, no more it reigns; an emp - ty form a - lone re - main - s!
Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly saith that death is swal - lowed up by death!
See, His blood now marks our door; faith points to it, death pass - es o'er!



Loud songs of al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Its sting is lost for - ev - er! Al - le - lu - ia!
Its sting is lost for - ev - er! Al - le - lu - ia!
And Sa - tan can - not harm us! Al - le - lu - ia!

5. So let us keep the festival
to which the Lord invites us!
Christ is Himself the joy of all,
the sun that warms and lights us!
Now His grace to us imparts
eternal sunshine to our hearts!
The night of sin is ended! Alleluia!

6. Then let us feast this joyful day
on Christ, the Bread of heaven!
The Word of grace has purged away
the old and evil leaven!
Christ alone our souls will feed;
He is our meat and drink indeed!
Faith lives upon no other! Alleluia!

Blessed Be Your Name

1. Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name!
And blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name!

Pre-Chorus

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
still I will say...

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord!
Blessed be Your Name!
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
Blessed be Your glorious Name!

2. Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name!
And blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name!

Pre-Chorus and Chorus

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say,
"Lord, blessed be Your name!"

Chorus 2X