# CORNERSTONE Reformed Church

#### THE LORD'S DAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastoral Prayer Lamentations 3:21-24 Gloria Patri The Lord's Prayer // Matthew 6:9-13 Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing Old Testament Reading // Psalm 92:1-4 Prayer of Praise

#### CONFESSION

Amazing Grace New Testament Reading // James 1:19-21 Prayer of Confession Confession of Faith // Apostles' Creed Assurance of Pardon // Psalm 32:1-2

CONSECRATION Before The Throne Of God Above Sermon // Ephesians 4:25-32 When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

> **COMMUNION** *The Bread and Cup*

**COMMISSIONING** *The Doxology Benediction // Numbers 6:24-26* 



#### Thank you for joining us this morning!

Welcome to the most important thing we do: gather together to worship the triune God of the Bible by reading God's Word, praying God's Word, singing God's Word, hearing God's Word taught and preached, tasting and seeing God's Word in baptism and the Lord's Supper, and being sanctified and commissioned by God's Word so that God would be glorified, and that we—the saints—would have informed minds, transformed hearts, and reformed lives, joyfully submitted to the Lordship of Christ.

#### Who We Are and Why We Exist

Cornerstone is a Christ-centered, joyfully reformed church seeking to bring every area of life into joyful submission to the Lordship of Christ

### Announcements



Drop your tithes and offerings in the offering box at any time, or scan the QR code to give online.

New Here? Please fill out one of our visitor cards, found on top of our offering box near the doors of the sanctuary, so that we can provide you with some information about the church.

#### **How We Worship**

Every Christian church follows a liturgy—an order of worship or schedule of services on the Lord's Day. Liturgy simply means the "service of the people." Cornerstone follows a covenant renewal pattern of worship that is God-centered, gospel-shaped, and covenant-minded. Based on, and full of, Scripture, Covenant Renewal Worship is a service full of God speaking and His people responding in five movements that shape our life. A typical Order of Worship looks like this:

#### Call to Worship: God Gathers His People

Every Lord's Day, God calls His people from every tribe, tongue and nation to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. Those who trust Him joyfully obey this call and respond with singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16).

#### Confession of Sins and Faith: God Forgives His People

Having come into the presence of a holy God, we respond as all the faithful saints of old did when encountering God. We fall on our face and confess our sins and need for mercy. We confess our private sins privately, and then the whole church confesses our general sins generally, seeking His forgiveness in prayer. Then we confess our faith by reciting a portion of Scripture, or one of our creeds, or a portion of our confession. The minister then reminds us that in and because of Christ, God forgives our sins and remembers them no more.

#### Consecration: God Equips His People

Having had our sins forgiven, we are then ready to come even nearer to God in worship, so we sing His praises as He brings us closer and speaks to us from His Word about who He is, who we are, and what He promises and expects from us. The goal of the sermon is to inform our minds, reform our hearts, and transform our lives according to God's Word.

#### Communion: God Nourishes His People

Having heard the Lord is good in the preaching of His Word, we now get to taste and see that He is good by partaking in the visible Word, the bread and wine, at His Table. We warmly invite all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, rightly under the authority of Christ and His body, the church, to come and commune with God and His people.

#### Commission: God Sends his People

And finally, having been fed from God's Word and at His Table, God then sends His people out into the world with a final commission to do His will, for His glory and the life of the world.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP - THE LORD CALLS US BEFORE HIS PRESENCE

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

Almighty God, unto whom all our hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify Your Glorious Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you are able, please stand for the reading of God's Word Lamontations 3:21 24

#### Lamentations 3:21-24

21 But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

22 The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; 23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

24 "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

#### Let us worship the Triune God

#### Gloria Patri (with uplifted hands)

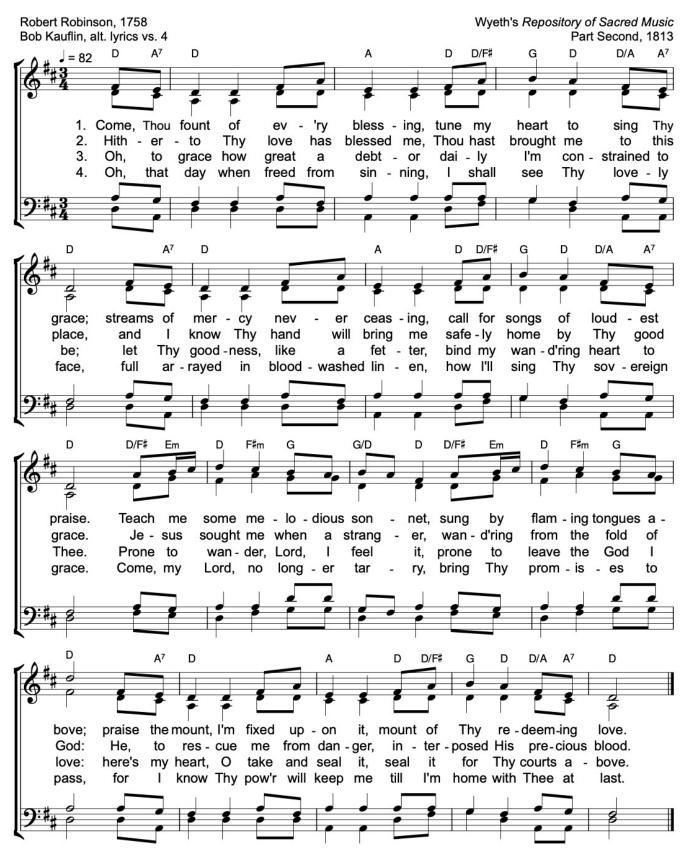
Gloria Patri



Let us lift up our hearts to the Lord as we recite the Lord's Prayer together. **The Lord's Prayer** Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in 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, for ever. Amen.

With our hearts lifted up let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. It is proper and right to do so. It is good, right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to Him, our Lord, Holy Father, Almighty God, and heavenly King . . . Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, and with all the church on earth, let us magnify His glorious name, evermore praising Him and singing.

# COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING



Please join us in our Old Testament Reading
Old Testament Reading // Psalm 92:1-4
1 It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
2 to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
3 to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.
4 For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

#### This is the Word of the Lord – Praise be to God

Prayer of Praise offered by lay leadership. 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

My rebel soul that once withstood The Savior's kindest call Rejoices now by grace subdued To serve Him with it's all

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

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

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS AND FAITH - THE LORD CLEANSES US IN CHRIST**

#### *Please join us in our New Testament Reading* **New Testament Reading** // **James 1:19-21**

19 Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. 21 Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. *This is the Word of the Lord – Praise be to God* 

God's Word says, "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:8-9). Each one of us have failed to listen rightly, failed to speak rightly, and given way to unrighteous anger. We have all too often given in to filthiness and rampant wickedness. Therefore, let us take a moment to confess our sins privately to the Lord and ask for God's forgiveness, and after I will pray for us all. ~ Silent Prayer ~

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 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.

Now that we've confessed our sins let us confess our faith. Church, in Whom do you believe?

#### Confession of Faith // Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the Virgin, Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hades, the third day He rose from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Psalm 32:5 says, "I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin." And beloved, you have confessed not only your sin, but also your faith in Christ, therefore, as Christ's minister, and in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, I tell you, you are forgiven. Be assured of your pardon.

#### CONSECRATION AND ASCENSION THE LORD BRINGS US INTO THE HEAVENLIES



#### Sermon // Ephesians 4:25-32 (ESV) pg. 978

25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

This is the Word of the Lord – **Praise be to God** 

#### SERMON NOTES

## WHEN I SURVEY

Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709

Lowell Mason, 1824



#### **COMMUNION - THE LORD DINES WITH US AT HIS TABLE**

We warmly invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, rightly under the authority of Christ and His body, the church.

#### 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

16 The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? 17 Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

#### 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

23 For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us keep the feast!

The Bread: The Body of Christ, given for you. The Cup: The Blood of Christ, shed for your sins.

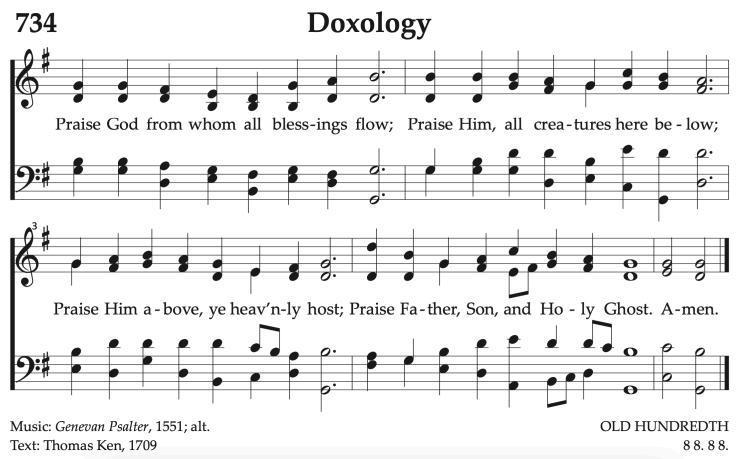
#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, You gave us the true bread that came down from heaven, Even Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: Grant that we who have received this sacrament of His Body and Blood May abide in Him, and He in us, That we may be filled with the power of His endless life, And serve Him with gladness and thanksgiving forever. Amen.

#### COMMISSIONING THE LORD SENDS US OUT TO DO HIS WILL WITH HIS BLESSING

If you are able, please stand and join us in singing the Doxology.

The Doxology (with uplifted hands)



#### Benediction // Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

#### **Information**

Wednesday Fellowship Meal // 5:30p Wednesday Night Bible Study // 6:30p (all ages)

Sunday School // 9:30a (all ages) Sunday Service // 10:40a<sup>[1]</sup> Nursery (0-4) // Available during Wednesday Bible Study, Sunday School, and Sunday Service

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