

The Lord's Day ~ January 31, 2021

God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Revelation 22:17

Let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without cost.

* Praising God in Song

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy



- * Seeking God's Blessing upon Our Worship
- * Declaring Our Faith

Shorter Catechism in Modern English, 82, 84-87

We believe that God is holy, and that every sin deserves His anger and curse, both in this life and in the life to come.

We believe that since the fall no ordinary man or woman perfectly keeps the commandments of God but breaks them every day in thought, word, and action.

We believe that to escape God's anger and curse, which we deserve for our sin, God requires from us faith in Jesus Christ and repentance unto life.

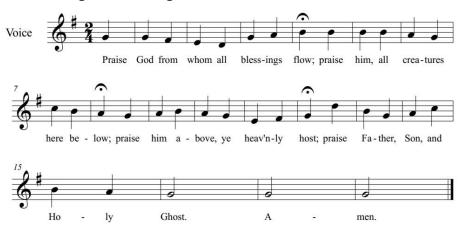
We believe that faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, by which we receive and rest on Him alone for our salvation, as He is offered to us in the Gospel.

We believe that repentance unto life is a saving grace, by which we, being truly aware of our sinfulness, understand the mercy of God in Christ, grieve for and hate our sin, and turn from it to God, fully intending and striving for a new obedience.

Taking Our Requests to God in Prayer

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your 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 yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord



'Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!

²Attend to me, and answer me; I am restless in my complaint and I moan,

³because of the noise of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked.

For they drop trouble upon me, and in anger they bear a grudge against me.

⁴My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

⁵Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me.

⁶And I say, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest;

⁷yes, I would wander far away; I would lodge in the wilderness;

⁸I would hurry to find a shelter from the raging wind and tempest."

⁹Destroy, O LORD, divide their tongues; for I see violence and strife in the city.

¹⁰Day and night they go around it on its walls, and iniquity and trouble are within it;

¹¹ruin is in its midst; oppression and fraud do not depart from its marketplace.

¹²For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could bear it;

it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could hide from him.

¹³But it is you, a man, my equal, my companion, my familiar friend.

¹⁴We used to take sweet counsel together; within God's house we walked in the throng.

¹⁵Let death steal over them; let them go down to Sheol alive;

for evil is in their dwelling place and in their heart.

¹⁶But I call to God, and the LORD will save me.

¹⁷Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan, and he hears my voice.

¹⁸He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage, for many are arrayed against me.

¹⁹God will give ear and humble them, he who is enthroned from of old,

because they do not change and do not fear God.

²⁰My companion stretched out his hand against his friends; he violated his covenant.

²¹His speech was smooth as butter, yet war was in his heart;

his words were softer than oil, yet they were drawn swords.

²²Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;

he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

²³But you, O God, will cast them down into the pit of destruction; men of blood and treachery shall not live out half their days. But I will trust in you.

Matthew 26:47-56

⁴⁷While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." ⁴⁹And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him. ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. ⁵¹And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. ⁵²Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. ⁵³Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" ⁵⁵At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. ⁵⁶But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.

"In Custody, and Yet in Charge" January 31, 2021
Matthew reveals the Savior's majesty in His commanding responses to His betrayal & arrest.
Jesus pleads with a false friend.
Jesus instructs an impetuous disciple.
Jesus challenges a hateful world.
Jesus Challenges a Haterul World.
Jesus declares an unchanging purpose.

* Responding to God's Word in Song

What Wondrous Love Is This



* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing



Announcements

- After worship, enjoy fellowship downstairs, and then join us at 11:20 for Sunday School. The Adult Class meets in the Fellowship Hall, the Elementary Class (led by Amy Pisani) in Rm 102, the Middle School Class (led by Kurt Schumacher) in Rm 209, and the High School Class (led by Eric Runion) in Rm 300. Masks are needed while moving around the building, but may be removed when seated. Adult Sunday School will be a **Sermon Forum**, in which the elders will lead a discussion to deepen our understanding & application of the sermon scripture passage.
- This evening at 6 PM, we will hold an **online prayer meeting** focused on our Outreach Ministries. Please join us to unite with brothers & sisters at Cornerstone to ask God's guidance & strength for our efforts to show the love of Jesus to our community. The prayer time will not be on YouTube; to participate, you will need to use your evening service Zoom link. If you need a link, you can register on our website or through this week's electronic newsletter.
- The **Wednesday Evening Devotional** resumes this week with a new topical series on the Existence & Attributes of God. **Kid's Club** (grades K-6) and **Youth Group** (grades 7-12) will be restarting this Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 at the church, and will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month through the end of the school year. Please see Kurt Schumacher (Kid's Club) and Rich or Barb Reem (Youth Group) with questions.
- **Record of Contributions statements** for tax year 2020 have been placed in mailboxes in the Church Office. For those who have not been able to attend in person on Sunday mornings, statements have been mailed out this week. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Doyle, Financial Secretary.
- Ladies, Save the Date! The PNYNE's **Virtual Women's Retreat 2021** is planned for Friday, April 16th and Saturday, April 17th. Guest Speaker Robyn Huck will offer a 3-part series, "The Comfort Zone" based on 2 Cor. 1:7-- "Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort." A plan is also being made for the ladies of Cornerstone to interact & fellowship locally during this time as well. More information & registration materials will be available soon.
- Helping with this morning's service are: Julie Runion (accompanist), Dan Lash (usher), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

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