

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship | Psalm 110

Pastor: The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."

People: The LORD sends forth from Zion your mighty scepter. Rule in the midst of your enemies!

Pastor: Your people will offer themselves freely on the day of your power, in holy garments; from the womb of the morning, the dew of your youth will be yours.

People: The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."

Pastor: The Lord is at your right hand; he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.

People: He will execute judgment among the nations, filling them with corpses; he will shatter chiefs over the wide earth.

Pastor: He will drink from the brook by the way; therefore he will lift up his head.

People: Praise the LORD!

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn 103 | Holy God, We Praise Your Name

God's Covenant Faithfulness | Psalms 1 & 2

Prayer for Global Missions

OPC Mission Work | Uganda

Country of the World | Guatemala

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Tithes and Offerings [Venmo: @Cornerstone-OPC]

Hymn 527 | The Beatitudes

Prayer of Dedication

Preaching of the Word

Sermon Text | Matthew 5:1-10

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Title | Kingdom Blessedness

Prayer of Application

*Hymn 526 | Blessed Are the Sons of God

*Benediction

*Hymn 733 | Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

KINGDOM BLESSEDNESS

Matthew 5:1-10

I. Kingdom citizens *flourish by grace*.

II. Kingdom citizens flourish by grace *as they follow their King*.

III. Kingdom citizens flourish by grace as they follow their King *with future glory in sight*.

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. Where does the world tell us that happiness and fulfillment are found? How does it describe the good life?
2. The first word out of Jesus's mouth is "Blessed." What does it mean? Is it primarily an objective reality or a subjective reality?
3. What are the eight characteristics Jesus describes the citizens of His kingdom by. Can you explain what they mean? Can you explain how Jesus perfectly exemplifies them?
4. How does the world's idea of a blessed person differ from that of Jesus?
5. Do true disciples possess the kingdom now or are they awaiting possession of the kingdom? How do the Beatitudes show us that both are simultaneously true? Why is this important to understand?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. How would I describe true blessedness to an unbeliever? How would I contrast it to what the world calls blessedness?
2. Where do I look for blessedness? Do I follow the paradigm of the kingdom of this world or the kingdom of heaven?
3. Does my life bear the marks of a kingdom citizen set forth in the Beatitudes? Can I genuinely say that these royal pronouncements are for me?

Lord's Day Worship

CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"...built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone."

– Ephesians 2:20

FEBRUARY 12, 2023 PM