

*New Song 7 | Complete in Thee

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

Prayer of Intercession

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 682 | In Thee, O Lord, I Put My Trust

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Romans 15:1-7

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | Gospel Welcome

Prayer of Application

*Hymn 644 | May the Mind of Christ My Savior

*Confession of Faith | Westminster Confession 26.1-2

Pastor: Beloved, what obligations do we have toward one another through our union with Christ?

People: All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by his Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man. Saints by profession are bound to maintain an holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, and in performing such other spiritual services as tend to their mutual edification; as also in relieving each other in outward things, according to their several abilities and necessities. Which communion, as God offereth opportunity, is to be extended unto all those who, in every place, call upon the name of the Lord Jesus.

GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

*God's Benediction

*Hymn 731 | Doxology

VISITING WITH US?

WELCOME

We are so glad you have come to worship with us this morning! Please fill out a connect card in the church foyer so we can learn how best to serve you.

NURSERY

We believe God covenants with households, and so we encourage children of all ages to participate in public worship. For families who are interested, a staffed nursery is available during the morning service for ages 0-3. Please ask the usher for more information.

FELLOWSHIP

Following the morning service, coffee and snacks are available in the fellowship hall. We encourage you to stick around and give us an opportunity to get to know you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Due to the holidays, Sunday school classes will not meet today.

EVENING WORSHIP

You are warmly welcome to join us at 6:00pm as we assemble again to close out the Lord's Day in public worship!

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GOSPEL WELCOME

Romans 15:1-7

- I. Sacrificially embrace one another *in the pursuit of the good* (vv. 1-2).

- II. Sacrificially embrace one another *after the pattern of the gospel* (vv. 3-4).

- III. Sacrificially embrace one another *unto the praise of the glory* (vv. 5-6).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. Why is it important to understand that not all doctrinal and ethical convictions are equal?
2. Pastor Nick distinguished between primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary convictions. Can you give examples of each? Do you agree with these distinctions? Why, or why not?
3. What was the disagreement that had arisen in the church in Rome? What were the views on each side and which was right?
4. Rather than correcting “the weak,” what does Paul do in our text? Why?
5. What does it mean to welcome, and how does the gospel serve as both our model and our motive for that welcome?
6. According to this text, what is the relationship between a church’s unity and a church’s worship?
7. How do you think we could grow as a church in sacrificially embracing one another?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. What is a recent example in which I was tempted to write off a brother or sister because they held a different perspective than me? How did I respond? In light of this sermon, how might I have responded better?
2. Is there a fellow believer that I have hardened my heart toward due to disagreement(s)? What would God have me to do in light of His gospel grace?
3. Why is unity so important in the church?



Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is a community of believers devoted to glorifying our Triune God through God-centered theology, God-ordered worship, God-delighting piety, God-exalting leadership, and God-dependent mission.

LORD’S DAY WORSHIP

January 5, 2025 AM

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God’s Call to Worship** | Psalm 133

Pastor: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
People: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!
Pastor: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.
People: Praise the LORD!

***God’s Greeting** | Romans 1:7

To all those who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn 356** | How Beautiful the Sight

GOD BLOTS OUT OUR GUILT

God’s Call to Confession | Philippians 2:1-11

Prayer of Confession

God’s Assurance of Pardon | Romans 5:1-2; Psalm 149:4

Pastor: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
People: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.