

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Call Through Scripture | John 17:1-26

Confession of Faith | Westminster Confession of Faith 3.5-6

Pastor: Those of mankind that are predestinated unto life, God, before the foundation of the world was laid, according to his eternal and immutable purpose, and the secret counsel and good pleasure of his will, hath chosen, in Christ, unto everlasting glory, out of his mere free grace and love, without any foresight of faith, or good works, or perseverance in either of them, or any other thing in the creature, as conditions, or causes moving him thereunto; and all to the praise of his glorious grace.

People: As God hath appointed the elect unto glory, so hath he, by the eternal and most free purpose of his will, foreordained all the means thereunto. Wherefore, they who are elected, being fallen in Adam, are redeemed by Christ, are effectually called unto faith in Christ by his Spirit working in due season, are justified, adopted, sanctified, and kept by his power, through faith, unto salvation. Neither are any other redeemed by Christ, effectually called, justified, adopted, sanctified, and saved, but the elect only.

Our Presentation of Tithes and Offerings | Venmo: @Cornerstone-OPC

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn 559 | Father, I Know That All My Life

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Ephesians 1:4-5

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | Elected In Christ

Prayer of Application

*Hymn 470 | How Vast the Benefits Divine

GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

*God's 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, alleluia!

*Please stand, if you are able

VISITING WITH US?

WELCOME



We are so glad you have come to worship with us this evening! Please fill out a connect card in the church foyer or scan the QR code so we can learn how best to serve you. Learn more about us at cornerstone-opc.org.

NURSERY

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to participate in public worship. For families with young children there is a nursery available next door, though it is not staffed during the evening service. Please ask the usher for more information.

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ELECTED IN CHRIST

Ephesians 1:4-5

God's eternal election is not an icy cold transaction; it is an intensely warm relation.

I. The Father sovereignly chose us *in His Beloved Son*.

II. The Father sovereignly chose us *unto His loving salvation*.

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. What is the doctrine of election, and why does it matter?
2. Why does God choose a people to be saved in His Son?
3. In what sense are the elect united with Christ in their election, and in what sense are they not?
4. What does our text teach us about the relationship between election and the various benefits of salvation like justification, sanctification, and adoption?
5. How can we know we are chosen by God?
6. Why did B.B. Warfield say that Ephesians 1:3-14 should never be read in the church? How does his point apply to us?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Do I tend to think of election as cold and transactional or warm and relational? Why?
2. What did Calvin mean by calling Christ "the mirror wherein we must contemplate our own election"?
3. Is my core identity that I am eternally chosen and beloved in Christ?



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

March 1, 2026 PM

Welcome, Announcements, & Corporate Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God's Call to Worship** | Psalm 33:1-12

Pastor: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

Pastor: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses.

People: Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

Pastor: The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

People: Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn 701** | Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!