

## Confession of Faith | Westminster Confession of Faith 10.1-4

Pastor: All those whom God hath predestinated unto life, and those only, he is pleased, in his appointed and accepted time, effectually to call, by his Word and Spirit, out of that state of sin and death, in which they are by nature, to grace and salvation, by Jesus Christ; enlightening their minds spiritually and savingly to understand the things of God, taking away their heart of stone, and giving unto them a heart of flesh; renewing their wills, and, by his almighty power, determining them to that which is good, and effectually drawing them to Jesus Christ: yet so, as they come most freely, being made willing by his grace.

**People: This effectual call is of God's free and special grace alone, not from anything at all foreseen in man, who is altogether passive therein, until, being quickened and renewed by the Holy Spirit, he is thereby enabled to answer this call, and to embrace the grace offered and conveyed in it.**

Pastor: Elect infants, dying in infancy, are regenerated, and saved by Christ, through the Spirit, who worketh when, and where, and how he pleaseth: so also are all other elect persons who are incapable of being outwardly called by the ministry of the Word.

**People: Others, not elected, although they may be called by the ministry of the Word, and may have some common operations of the Spirit, yet they never truly come unto Christ, and therefore cannot be saved: much less can men, not professing the Christian religion, be saved in any other way whatsoever, be they never so diligent to frame their lives according to the light of nature, and the laws of that religion they do profess. And, to assert and maintain that they may, is very pernicious, and to be detested.**

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

Offertory Prayer

## \*New Songs 11 | Speak, O Lord

## God's Call Through Preaching

**Scripture Reading** | 1 Corinthians 1:9

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture Proclamation** | Called in Christ

**Prayer of Application**

## GOD BANQUETS WITH US

### God's Call Through the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Explanation of the Meal

Praying and Partaking of the Meal

**\*Hymn 455** | And Can It Be That I Should Gain

## GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

**\*God's Benediction**

**\*Hymn 735** | Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

\*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](http://cornerstone-opc.org).*

SHOULD I PARTAKE?

*If you are visiting with us, you may be wondering whether you should partake of the Lord's Supper. In light of the teaching of Scripture, we warmly welcome you to the Table if you can affirm the following: you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation, you are repenting of sin and seeking to live for God, and you are a baptized, professing member of a gospel-preaching church. If you cannot affirm these things or are unsure, we ask that you refrain from partaking. Our pastor and elders would be glad to speak with you about these matters.*

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## CALLED IN CHRIST

*1 Corinthians 1:9*

*God's sovereign and saving summons sets in motion our marriage to Christ.*

I. Effectual calling is *from the faithful Father*.

II. Effectual calling is *through the powerful Spirit*.

III. Effectual calling is *unto the beautiful Son*.

### QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. While every conversion story is unique, what do they all have in common?
2. What is effectual calling, and how is it distinct from and related to the general call of the gospel?
3. Why would Paul begin his letter with thanksgiving when there was so much in the Corinthian church not to give thanks for?
4. Why do some people respond in faith to the call of the gospel while others do not?
5. How is the resurrection of Lazarus a graphic picture of effectual calling?
6. What is the relationship between the believer's calling and his union with Christ?
7. Does God force us against our wills to come to Christ when He calls us effectually? Why is this a wrong way of thinking?

### QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Has the Lord called me to Himself through the gospel? If so, how did He do it?
2. Why is the doctrine of effectual calling both comforting and humbling?
3. Am I walking worthy of my calling as one who belongs to Jesus 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

April 26, 2026 PM

Welcome, Announcements, and Silent Prayer

### GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

#### \*God's Call to Worship | Psalm 95

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**People: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.**

Pastor: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

**People: Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.**

#### \*Prayer of Adoration

\*Hymn 469 | How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

### GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Call through Scripture | John 6:35-59