

Confession of Faith | The Nicene Creed (TH, 846)

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

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn 32 | Great Is Thy Faithfulness

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Judges 1:1-20

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | Judah Takes the Lead

Prayer of Application

*Hymn 442 | Arise, O God

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!

*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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JUDAH TAKES THE LEAD

Judges 1:1-20

Amid a leadership void, the kingly Judah is chosen to lead the charge into Canaan.

I. This *faithful* tribe *conquers* the serpent.

II. This *flawed* tribe *capitulates* to the serpent.

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. How does the introduction to Judges teach us that leaders are dispensable and leadership is indispensable? Why is it important for us to learn both of these lessons?
2. Who did the Lord choose to lead Israel in the conquest after Joshua's death? Why?
3. Many people claim that Israel's conquest of Canaan was evil, often likening it to genocide? Why was it not? How was it actually a sign of God's goodness?
4. What are some encouraging signs in the account of Judah's military campaigns at the beginning of Judges, and what lessons can we draw from them?
5. What are some discouraging signs in this account, and what lessons can we draw from them?
6. How does this emphasis on Judah at the beginning of Judges serve the broader message in Judges of Israel's need for a godly king to lead her? How does this ultimately point to Jesus Christ?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Why are God's people often tempted to idolize their leaders, and how does death set them straight?
2. What is the main message of the book of Judges, and what role does Judah play in it?
3. How is the faithful-yet-flawed leadership of Judah and Caleb indicative of every godly leader, and how does it encourage me to boast in Christ alone?



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

August 2, 2026 PM

Corporate Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God's Call to Worship | Psalm 68**

Pastor: God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him! As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away; as wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God! But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!

People: Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; exult before him!

Pastor: Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Our God is a God of salvation, and to God, the Lord, belong deliverances from death.

People: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice. Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

Pastor: Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

***New Songs 13 | Romans Doxology**

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Call Through Scripture | Genesis 49:1-28