GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Call Through Scripture | Deuteronomy 17:14-20

Confession of Faith | Westminster Shorter Catechism 26

Pastor: How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

People: Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

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

Offertory Prayer

***Hymn 235** | All Glory, Laud, and Honor

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Judges 8:29-9:21

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | The Rise of the Anti-Judge

Prayer of Application

***Hymn 184** | The King of Love My Shepherd Is (vv. 1, 2, 3, 6)

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.

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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THE RISE OF THE ANTI-JUDGE

Judges 8:29-9:21

The greatest danger is not tyranny from without, but tyranny from within.

I. Corrupt people selfishly choose leaders like them (8:29-9:6)

II. Corrupt leaders selfishly consume people under them (9:7-21).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. What did Abraham Lincoln mean by "the enemy within"? When it comes to the church, why is the greatest enemy always from within?
2. Though God had given Israel rest from outside enemies, what were some signs that Israel was in danger while Gideon was still alive?
3. What happened in Israel after Gideon died? Can you explain how Israel went from breaking the second commandment to breaking the first?
4. Who was Abimelech, and what did he do to become king? What lessons can we learn from this today?
5. What is a fable? What was the message and moral of Jotham's fable after Abimelech was made king?
6. How is Abimelech the anti-judge, and how is Jesus the anti-Abimelech?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Why are times of peace and prosperity so spiritually dangerous?
2. Do I agree that in the church, the greatest enemy is always within? How have I seen this play itself out in the past? How might I combat it today?
3. How do I see my own heart in the Shechemites and in Abimelech, and how can Jesus alone deliver me from it?

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PRESBYTERIAN 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

November 15, 2026 PM

Corporate Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God's Call to Worship** | Psalm 92

Pastor: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.

People: How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep! The stupid man cannot know; the fool cannot understand this: that though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish, they are doomed to destruction forever; but you, O LORD, are on high forever.

Pastor: For behold, your enemies, O LORD, for behold, your enemies shall perish; all evildoers shall be scattered. But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox; you have poured over me fresh oil. My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies; my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.

People: The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God. They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

***Hymn 635** | How Good It Is to Thank the Lord