GOD BLOTS OUT OUR GUILT

God's Call to Confession | 2 Peter 1:16-21

Prayer of Confession

God's Assurance of Pardon | Romans 8:28-30

Pastor: But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

People: So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Confession of Faith | Westminster Larger Catechism 155

Pastor: How is the word made effectual to salvation?

People: The Spirit of God maketh the reading, but especially the preaching of the word, an effectual means of enlightening, convincing, and humbling sinners; of driving them out of themselves, and drawing them unto Christ; of conforming them to his image, and subduing them to his will; of strengthening them against temptations and corruptions; of building them up in grace, and establishing their hearts in holiness and comfort through faith unto salvation.

Reception of New Members | Emily Voss, Matt, Christie, Leah, and Millo Mumbach, and Ted and Janet Ryan

***Hymn 359** | Blest Be the Tie That Binds

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

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

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn 534** | O for a Closer Walk with God

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | Pierced with Divine Light

Prayer of Application

***New Songs 12** | All I Have Is Christ

GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

***God's Benediction**

***Hymn 731** | Doxology

*Please stand, if you are able

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 or scan the QR code so we can learn how best to serve you. Learn more about us at cornerstone-opc.org.

NURSERY

We believe God covenants with households, and so we encourage children of all ages to participate in public worship. A staffed nursery which can also be utilized as a cry room is available during the morning service for ages 0-3. There is a separate nursing room available as well. 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 a congregational forum at 11:45, there will be no Sunday school 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!

PIERCED WITH DIVINE LIGHT

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Through divine-human gospel proclamation, divine light savingly pierces human hearts.

I. *Listen* to the *human* preacher as *servant* (vv. 1-2, 5).

II. *Look* to the *divine* preacher as *sovereign* (vv. 3-4, 6).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. What kept Paul from giving up in the ministry amid all the difficulties and discouragements? What can we learn from his example, even if we aren't called to ministry?
2. What is the conscience, and why does Paul appeal to the consciences of the Corinthians?
3. Paul confesses that in some sense his gospel is still veiled (v. 3). What does he mean? How does this not contradict what he told us back in 3:12-18?
4. Who is "the god of this world", and what does he do to the minds of unbelievers?
5. What does it mean for a pastor to be a minister? Who or what does a pastor serve?
6. Why does Paul point back to Genesis 1 and the original creation account? What does this teach us about our salvation?
7. What does it mean for there to be two preachers during every sermon? How does this change the way we should approach the preached word?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Why is the mercy of God such an encouragement when I feel like giving up?
2. Do I delight in the gospel because in it I see the glory of God in the face of Christ? Does the beauty of this divine light make me desirous to share the gospel with others?
3. When sitting under preaching, do I look to the Holy Spirit in humble, prayerful dependence?

CORNERSTONE
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 22, 2026 AM

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God's Call to Worship** | Psalm 43:1-4; 73:23-26

Pastor: Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people, from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me! For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you rejected me? Why do I go about mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

People: Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

Pastor: Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory.

People: Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

***God's Greeting** | Jude 1b-2

To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

***Hymn 657** | In Sweet Communion, Lord, with Thee