***Hymn 316** | The Mighty God, the Lord

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Call through Scripture | Psalm 49

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

Offertory Prayer

***Hymn 108** | Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Judges 9:22-57
Pastor: This is the word of the LORD.
People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | The Fall of the Anti-Judge

Prayer of Application

GOD BANQUETS WITH US

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

Explaining the Elements

Partaking of the Elements

***Hymn 693** | Blessed Assurance

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.

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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THE FALL OF THE ANTI-JUDGE

Judges 9:22-57

Behold the just God in the self-destruction of unjust Israel.

I. Kingdoms fall through the *visible* sway of *human injustice* (vv. 25-55).

II. Kingdoms fall through the *invisible* sway of *divine justice* (vv. 22-24, 56-57).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. What did God send between Abimelech and Shechem? How could God do this without Himself being evil?
2. How did Abimelech end up destroying Shechem? What lessons can we learn from it?
3. How did Thebez end up destroying Abimelech? What lessons can we learn from it?
4. What is God's justice? How was God reigning over all of this destruction in Israel and carrying out His justice through it?
5. We see evil destroying evil in this story. How does that ultimately lead us to the cross of Christ?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Along with the Roman Empire, what are some other examples of kingdoms that slowly but surely destroyed themselves? Why are these historical examples sobering to consider?
2. When it comes to spiritual warfare, do I tend to be a materialist or a magician? How does this text and the Bible more broadly deliver me from both?
3. How does the death of Abimelech point back to the first gospel promise and forward to the fulfillment of that promise at Golgotha?

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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 PM

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

***God's Call to Worship** | Isaiah 40:9-17; Psalm 145:3

Pastor: Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"

People: Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Pastor: Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

People: Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales; behold, he takes up the coastlands like fine dust. All the nations are as nothing before him, they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

***Prayer of Invocation**