



CORNERSTONE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“...built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone...”
Ephesians 2:20

The Lord's Day — August 27, 2017
“Overflowing With God's Grace”

“If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”
Jesus

“For every look at self, take ten looks at Christ.”
Robert Murray M'Cheyne

GOD OPENS HIS GATES AND CALLS HIS PEOPLE IN

Prelude

Announcements

Elder Dave Haverdink

†Call to Worship: *Psalm 145:8–10, 13*

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Minister: The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

People: All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you.

Minister: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.

†Hymn of Praise: #53

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

†Prayer of Adoration & Praise

GOD FORGIVES HIS PEOPLE THEIR SINS

Confession of Sin:

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess to You our sinful nature: we are prone to evil and lazy in doing good. We confess all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned. We have wandered from Your ways. We have wasted Your gifts. We have forgotten Your love. Lord, have mercy upon us. We are ashamed of our sin and repent of everything that displeases You. Teach us to hate our sins. Cleanse us from our secret faults. Forgive us for the sake of Your dear Son. Most holy and loving Father, enable us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways – according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord... Silent and Personalized Confession of Sin. Amen!

Assurance of Pardon: *2 Corinthians 5:21*

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

†Affirmation of Faith:

Heidelberg Catechism*

Q. 60 How are you right with God?

A. **Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.**

Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God’s commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me.

All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

*The Heidelberg Catechism was developed in Germany in the mid-1500s. Over the past several centuries it has been used by many Christian churches to explain and affirm our belief in some of the key doctrines revealed in the Bible.

†Hymn of Assurance: *(see insert)*

“Christ the Cornerstone”

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

The Old Testament Reading: *Ezekiel 47:1–12*

The Epistle Reading: *Revelation 22:1–5*

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

†The Gospel Lesson: *John 7:37–39*

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SERMON: “WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?”

I. DRINK FROM THE FOUNTAIN OF LIFE

A. COME WITH THIRST

B. COME WITH FAITH

C. COME WITH HOPE

D. COME WITH LOVE

II. LIVE AS A RIVER OF LIFE

A. EXPECTED MISSION

B. EXPONENTIAL MISSION

C. ETERNAL MISSION

D. ENJOYABLE MISSION

†Hymn of Response: #460

“Amazing Grace!”

We Offer Ourselves through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *(see insert)*

“Thanksgiving Song”

†Prayer of Dedication & Prayer for the Church

†Hymn of Dedication #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.***

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO HIS TABLE^S

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

The Words of Institution & the Invitation

We Sing at God’s Table: #24 (*Hymn Supplement*) “Behold the Lamb
(Communion Hymn)”

The Bread of Life & the Wine of Gladness

Pastoral Prayer: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen!

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH GREAT BLESSING

†Hymn of Departure: #642 “Be Thou My Vision”

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24–26*

†Three-Fold Amen: #740

†Postlude & Greet One Another!

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^SThe Lord’s Supper is observed every Sunday in our morning worship service. We invite to the Lord’s Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us as a guest, you are acknowledging to the Elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God, and that you desire to live and die as a member of His Church. You are confessing that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. If you have any questions about your participation, please speak to the Pastor or one of the Elders before or after the service.