

# God Gathers His People

April 21, 2024

\* **Congregational Singing** | Taste And See (Psalm 34)

Oh taste and see that the Lord is good  
Oh blessed is he who hides in him  
Oh fear the Lord oh all you saints  
He'll give you everything  
He'll give you everything

I sought the Lord and he answered me  
And delivered me from every fear  
Those who look on him are radiant  
They'll never be ashamed  
They'll never be ashamed

## **Chorus**

*Magnify the Lord with me  
Come exalt his name together  
Glorify the Lord with me  
Come exalt his name forever*

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me  
And saved me from my enemies  
The Son of God surrounds his saints  
He will deliver them  
He will deliver them (*Chorus*)

Let us bless the Lord  
every day and night  
Never ending praise  
May our incense rise (4x) (*Chorus 2x*)

Joe Rigney and Shane Barnard | CCLI song #7054932

\*Please stand

# God Invites Us Into His Praise

**\* Call to Worship** | Psalm 106:1-5

Leader Praise the LORD!

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD, or declare all his praise?

Blessed are they who observe justice,  
who do righteousness at all times!

**All Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;  
help me when you save them,  
that I may look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones,  
that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,  
that I may glory with your inheritance.**

**\* Prayer of Invocation**

\* Congregational Singing | He Will Hold Me Fast



When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me fast;  
For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er woud pre - vail, He will hold me fast  
Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.  
Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could ne - ver keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;  
He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last;  
Raised with him to end - less life, He will hold me fast



For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.  
Bought by him at such a cost He will hold me fast.  
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last.



*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;*



*For my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

# God Calls Us To Confession

**Call To Confession** | Psalm 139:23-24

*Search me, O God, and know my heart!  
Try me and know my thoughts!  
And see if there be any grievous way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting!*

## **Corporate Confession of Sin**

Leader Father, we so often live our lives in fear.

**All Forgetting that we are your people, and you are our God—  
one who keeps his promises,  
one who protects and pursues justice,  
one who provides and provides abundantly.**

Leader Yet, our needs, our desires continue to overwhelm us.

**All For we worry about what is to come, how our needs will be met,  
how others perceive us, and about who will love us.**

Leader Merciful God, as we confess help us turn from our fears knowing that you are ready to meet us in our need.

**-Silent confession-**

Leader Father, you sent your son so that we may live life to the full.

**All Bid our anxious fears, bid my anxious fears, goodbye.**

# God Forgives Us In Christ

\* **Word of Assurance** | Ephesians 2:4-10

Leader God, being rich in mercy,  
because of the great love with which he loved us,

**All even when we were dead in our trespasses,  
made us alive together with Christ—**

Leader by grace you have been saved—  
and raised us up with him and seated us with him  
in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

**All so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of  
his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.**

Leader For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**All For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

## \* Congregational Singing | The Lamb Has Overcome



The Lamb has o - ver - come  
No grave could hold him down  
At God's right hand is he  
The ta - ble now is spread  
The day is draw - ing near  
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The bat - tle's done And the vic - tor - y is won For the Lamb has o - ver - come  
Up from the ground, "He is ri - sen!" was the sound No grave could hold him down  
Our Per - fect Plea, How he lives to in - ter - cede! At God's right hand is he  
This wine and bread Bro - ken bo - dy and blood shed The ta - ble now is spread  
He shall ap - pear And will wipe a - way each tear The day is draw - ing near  
The bat - tle's done And the vic - tor - y is won For the Lamb has o - ver - come



Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain Glo - ry be un - to his name



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Luke Morton | CCLI song #6201544

## God Is At Work Among Us

### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Giving is an act of worship, just like singing or praying, because when we give, we are recognizing that all we have is a gift from God. Returning a portion of that gift is both an act of obedience and dependence, and we are called to do so joyfully. Please see the back page of this bulletin for more information on ways to give.*

### Announcements

*Please refer to the back of the bulletin for a full list of church opportunities and activities.*

# God Hears Us

## Congregational Prayer | Elder Jason Heinen

*For prayer, please turn in your prayer requests in person or via email to the elders (prayer@cornerstone-pca.com), or come forward after the service.*

# God Feeds Us

## \* Old Testament Reading | Psalm 133 (Pew Bible pg. 519)

1 Behold, how good and pleasant it is  
when brothers dwell in unity!

2 It is like the precious oil on the head,  
running down on the beard,  
on the beard of Aaron,  
running down on the collar of his robes!

3 It is like the dew of Hermon,  
which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing,  
life forevermore.

## \* New Testament Reading | Matthew 6:25-34 (Pew Bible pg. 811)

<sup>25</sup> “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup> And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup> For the Gentiles seek after all these

things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

<sup>34</sup> “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

Reader Your word is a lamp to my feet

**All and a light to my path.**

### **Children’s Blessing**

Leader People of God, what is our prayer for these children?

**All May the Lord be with you.**

*Children And also with you.*

Leader May the Word of the Lord grow in your hearts.

*Children Thanks be to God!*

**All Go in peace.**

**Sermon** | Pastor Clay Smith

*R-E-L-A-X* | Matthew 6:25-34



# Sermon Notes

## **The Lord's Supper**

### *Instructions for the Supper*

This Sunday, we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All those who profess Christ and are members in good standing with their home congregation are welcome to join our celebration. Our practice is to come forward to receive the elements. We hold our elements and partake in common union. We serve gluten free bread and offer both white grape juice and red wine.

### *For those not partaking*

If you are not ready at this time to participate in the meal, we invite you to come forward for a blessing and/or prayer. If you have questions about the Supper, please feel free to ask one of the pastors or elders after the service.

# Congregational Singing | Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this bar - ren land.  
O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing wa - ters flow;  
When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;

I am weak, but thou art might - y; Hold me with thy power - ful hand.  
Let the fier - y cloud - y pil - lar Lead me all my jour - ney through.  
Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, Land me safe on Ca - naan's side.

Bread of heav - en, feed me now and ev - er - more; Bread of  
Strong de - liver - er, be thou still my strength and shield; Strong de -  
Songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to thee; Songs of

heav - en, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
liver - er, be thou still my strength and shield.  
prais - es I will ev - er give to thee.

Land me safe on Ca - naan's side Bid my anx - ious fears, bid my anx - ious fears

Land me safe on Ca - naan's side Bid my anx - ious fears, bid my anx - ious fears, good - bye.

# God Sends Us

\* Congregational Singing | Be Thou My Vision

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and three lines of lyrics. The lyrics are: 'Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart / Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word / Rich - es I heed not nor man's emp - ty praise / High king of heav - en my vic - to - ry won / Naught be - all else to me save that thou art / I ev - er with thee and thou with me Lord / Thou mine in - her - i - tance now and al - ways / May I reach heav - en's joys O bright heav'n's Sun / Thou my best thought by day or by night / Thou my great Fa - ther and I thy true son / Thou and thou on - ly first in my heart / Heart of my own heart what - ev - er be - fall / Wak - ing or sleep - ing thy pres - ence my light / Thou in me dwell - ing and I with thee one. / High king of heav - en my trea - sure thou art. / Still be my vi - sion O Rul - er of all.'

Eleanor Henrietta Hull and Mary Elizabeth Byrne | CCLI song #30639

**\* Benediction** | Hebrews 13:20-21

*Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that  
which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ,  
to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.*

**\* Doxology** | Threefold Amen



# Announcements

**Primary Praise** - Today and every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday. Primary praise is an age appropriate worship time for children ages 3 through 1st grade. During the sermon children are taught aspects of worship, a Bible story, and given the chance to respond to God's word. Visiting children are welcome! Parents are welcome to observe, if that makes a child more comfortable. Children should be picked up by a parent from the basement (rooms 105-106) at the conclusion of the adult service.

**Discovering Cornerstone Membership Class** - This Friday, April 26, 6-9:30pm, including dinner at the MacGregor's. Talk with Pastor MacGregor for more information. **Please register\* by April 24th.**

**Cornerstone Book Club 8.3** - Saturday, May 4 at 10am. Cornerstone Book Club will finish up discussing Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, volume 3. Please register\* or talk to Nicholis Wagner.

**Church Work Day** - Saturday, May 11, 8am - 12pm, rain or shine. There's work for everyone, inside or outside. We'll all work inside if it rains. If you can't come for the whole morning, just come when you can, and "many hands will make light work"!

**Missionary Prayer Day** - Sunday, May 12, 9am. Please join us in the lower level during the Sunday School Hour to pray for Cornerstone's missionaries, hear an update from the Verdoncks, and receive missionary prayer booklets. We use this time to support and lift up our "international staff". There will be a children's lesson with a missions focus happening simultaneously.

**Christian Education Break** - Starting Sunday, May 12 through the summer. Children & Youth Sunday School and Adult Theology classes begin a summer break. Classes will resume in the fall.

**Let's Clean out the Lost & Found Box!** - Please check the Lost & Found items laid out in the narthex, by the office window. **Today, April 21 is the last day** to see if any of the items belong to you.

**Women's Summer Fun** - The end of May will kick off a summer of fun activities for women and children. Information is coming soon about day time activities including Park Days, a Splash Pad day, a visit to the Zoo as well as night time activities like bowling, Paint Night and so much more!

# Next Week at a Glance

- **Wednesday, April 24** - Last day to register for Discovering Cornerstone Class
- **Wednesday, April 24** - Prayer, 6:30am at (<http://cornerstone-pca.com/prayer>)
- **Wednesday, April 24**- Last Women's Wednesday AM Bible Study, 9:15am
- **Thursday, April 25** - Men's Study, 10am at the Korb home
- **Friday, April 26** - Men's study, 6:15am at Waukesha Cafe House
- **Friday, April 26** - Discovering Cornerstone Class & dinner, 6pm, The MacGregor's


## Regular Announcements

**PRAYER** - Prayer is powerful! If you would like to be prayed for, please email [prayer@cornerstone-pca.com](mailto:prayer@cornerstone-pca.com) and a pastor or elder will be in touch with you.

**STAY INFORMED** - Church Center lists our calendar of events, giving information, and registrations. You can get the ChurchCenter App in your AppStore (select Cornerstone Delafield, Wi) or go to: <https://cornerstone-pca.churchcenter.com>

**NEED HELP?** – The Deacon Fund is available at all times, but especially in times of unexpected and/or exacerbated needs such as missing paychecks and needing medical/groceries/household items. If you are in need or just want to talk with the deacons, please contact them at [deacon@cornerstone-pca.com](mailto:deacon@cornerstone-pca.com).

**NEW?** – If you're searching for a church to call home or wondering what it means to follow Christ, we would love to walk the next steps of your faith journey together. We hope you'll join us for a Welcome Lunch! Whether you make your spiritual home at Cornerstone or not, we would love the chance to meet you and pray for you. Find out more using the pew Discover cards or [cornerstone-pca.com/discover](http://cornerstone-pca.com/discover).

GIVING HISTORY		WAYS TO GIVE
Weekly: April 8 - April 14		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In person: donation box in back of the sanctuary</li> <li>• Mail: N6 W31449 Alberta Dr. Delafield WI 53018</li> <li>• Scan code or go to site below:</li> </ul>  <p><a href="http://cornerstone-pca.churchcenter.com/giving">cornerstone-pca.churchcenter.com/giving</a></p>
Projected Giving	\$10,925.00	
Actual Giving	\$21,039.22	
Difference	\$10,114.22	
Year-to-Date: (July 1 – April 14)		
Projected Giving	\$447,938.00	
Actual Giving	\$478,504.62	
YTD Difference	\$30,566.62	