



Our vision is to see the love of God transform people into mature disciples of Jesus Christ who love God above all else and who sacrificially love others.

Weekly Bulletin

December 1, 2024

Welcome to Cornerstone!

We are glad you are with us this morning! We have a small gift for you at our Welcome Table in the front lobby, so please stop by so we can connect. We desire to be a church family that cares for one another. Particularly in times of crisis or hardship, we hope that no one would feel alone or without help. Our pastoral staff, our elders, or our shepherding associates would be happy to talk with you.

SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

Welcome

Call to Worship

Advent Reading

Preparation – Luke 1:26-38 ESV

Worship in Song

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Agnus Dei/King of Kings

Living Hope

Baptism

Elijah Phillips

Congregational Prayer

Offertory

Manger Throne

Worship in Submission to God's Word

Fall: Long Lay the World in Sin and Error Pining

Colossians 1:21-23 ESV

Closing Song

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Benediction

Coming This Week

Our church office hours - Tuesday through Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm

Sunday, December 1

Budget Meeting, 9:00-9:45am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School for Students and Children, 9:00-9:45am, Various Rooms

Praise Team Breakfast, 9:30-10:00am, Library

Worship Service, 10:00-11:15am, Sanctuary

Scott/Smith Life Group, 11:45am-1:30pm, Rooms 103/104, Gym

Monte de Sion Worship Service, 12:00-3:30pm, Fellowship Hall, Nursery

Revolution (High School) 6:30-8:30pm, Youth Café and Game Room, Gym

Monday, December 2

Church Office Closed

Open Basketball, 7:00-9:00pm, Gym

Tuesday, December 3

Women's Ministry Leadership Team Meeting, 9:00-11:00am, Room 210

Member Private Event, 1:00-4:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Revolution Small Group, 6:30-8:30pm, Malone's Home

Open Volleyball, 7:00-9:30pm, Gym

Titus 2 Connect Group, 7:00-8:30pm, Room 210

Wednesday, December 4

Cornerstone Staff Meeting, 1:00-2:00pm, Lobby

Memorial Service for Terri Herr 6:30-8:00pm (5:00pm Visitation), Sanctuary

Outreach Committee Meeting, 6:00-7:30pm, Room 201

Christian Service Brigade, 6:15-8:00pm, Youth Café

Impact Small Group, 7:00-8:30pm, Offsite

Thursday, December 5

Re | Engage, 6:30-8:00pm, Rooms 203, 204, 210

Praise Team Practice, 6:30-9:00pm, Gym

Impact Small Group, 7:00-8:30pm, Hills' Home

Friday, December 6

MomCo Meeting, 9:15-11:15am, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen Gym, Nurseries

Member Private Event, 12:00-3:00pm, Youth Cafe

UTX (Middle School), 7:00-9:00pm, Youth Café and Game Room, Gym

Saturday, December 7

Open Basketball, 7:00-9:00am, Gym

Ladies' Christmas Brunch, 10:00am-12:00pm, Fellowship Hall, Gym, Kitchen

Pauley Life Group, 5:30-8:00pm, Room 201

Announcements

CHURCH LIFE:

Thank You for Decorating for Christmas: Last week many people helped get out the decorations and put them up around the church. We really appreciate everyone that participated, and it looks beautiful!

Still an opportunity to bless a local child: You can still provide gifts for children in need of Christmas presents! Email Holly Oliver for details at hollyoliver@gmail.com. All gifts are due back at church by next Sunday, December 8th. Gifts should be individually wrapped and gathered together in a larger bag (a trash bag is fine) with the family number visible on the outside. If you are not able to "adopt", you can also help by making a monetary donation via Venmo to Jennifer-DiFelice-1 and note PLE/ AGI Christmas fund. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Oliver (above) or Jen Smith at jensmithcornerstone@gmail.com.

Advent begins today, Sunday, December 1st: We encourage you to set aside time individually or as a family to focus on the birth of our Savior. We have resources available that our staff recommends. Visit the table in the lobby to preview and/or purchase the book options. In addition, you could read the Gospel of Luke. There are 24 chapters in the book of Luke. Read one a day by yourself or with your family.

Christmas at Cornerstone: Read below to know what is happening at Cornerstone this Christmas season.

- **Advent Sunday Worship Services:** "The Christmas Story" – December 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd at 10:00am.
- **Christmas Invitation Bags:** These gift bags are for you to invite a friend, relative, neighbor, or coworker to join us this Christmas season. Each bag has an invitation to Christmas services and candy. There will also be copies of *The Case for Christmas*, that can be added if you choose.
- **Digital Christmas Invitation:** We have created an image that we would love for you to share on social media. You can download the image by scanning the QR code, or you can share it directly from our Facebook Page. Thank you!
- **Christmas Cookies and Hot Cocoa Bar:** Join us after the worship service on Sunday, December 15th in Fellowship Hall. *We would love to have homemade cookies! If you are able, please bring a plate of cookies to share.*
- **Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Services:** 4:00pm & 6:00pm



Announcements Continued

Officer/Diaconal Associate Suggestion Form: Members, it is your privilege and responsibility to nominate men to be considered for Elders and Deacons, and men and women to serve as Diaconal Associates in our church. Scan the QR code to read more about these positions and to nominate someone.



Annual Congregational Meeting: Next Sunday, December 8th at 9:00am. We will celebrate what God has done in and through Cornerstone this past year. Dave Eisenhauer will be standing for re-election as Deacon. We will also be voting on corporation officers: Keith Green for President, Craig Wellman for Secretary, and Jeff Scheidt for Treasurer. Bios for all of these men are available by scanning the QR code. An agenda for the meeting is available in the office.



Birthday Party for Jesus: Next Sunday, December 8th, 9:00am in Rooms 103 & 104. Games and activities for children 5th grade and younger. This event takes place during the Congregational Meeting and provides a place for the children to be while their parents are in the meeting.

The Lord's Supper is usually celebrated on the last Sunday of the month.

A ministry to consider in the New Year: Family Hope Coalition will be coming to Cornerstone for a luncheon presentation called "Family Hope 101" on January 12, 2025 from 11:30am-1:00pm for those who want to learn more about wrapping around foster and adoptive families with services such as providing a meal, transportation, or lawn care, and also for anyone considering the ministry of foster care or adoption. Please use the QR code to register for this luncheon. *"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me" Matthew 18:5 ESV.*



Rides Ministry: We are excited to announce the launch of our new Rides Ministry, dedicated to providing transportation for our church community. This ministry will offer rides to and from church services, events, and other church functions. Additionally, we will provide transportation for everyday needs, such as doctor's appointments, grocery shopping, and more. Please be aware that we do not have a wheelchair accessible vehicle at this time and that our ability to meet requests is based on volunteers' availability.

If you or someone you know could benefit from this service, please contact the church office, Sue Smith, Dave Phillips or Lori Blair to learn more or schedule a ride. We are also in need of volunteers.

Announcements Continued

Disability Ministry Resources: *Adult and child-size earplugs for those who struggle with loud noises (see Audio Tech at Sound Booth) *Chairs with arms if needed (see an Usher) *Sensory bags for children (see Jen Smith's table behind Sound Booth) *Resource books (see Sue Smith, Room 103)

MEN'S MINISTRY:

Weekly Devotional: Bob Mercer hosts a weekly, early-morning devotional time at his home in Newark at 6:00am on Fridays. Just show up! Coffee will be ready and a breakfast snack. Contact Bob at men@cornerstonepca.com for address.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY:

Ladies' Christmas Brunch: This Saturday, December 7th, 10:00am-12:00pm. Our speaker will be Sandy Baker. All women 6th grade and up are invited. Breakfast casseroles, fruit, and pastries will be served. The event is free, but registration is required. Please use QR code to register. This is a wonderful opportunity to reach out and invite a friend or neighbor!



IMPACT YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

Small groups gather to support and pray for each other and our community on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30pm at the Malone's home and on Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm at the Hills' home. Email Bryson Morgan brymorgan22@gmail.com with any questions. Follow us on Instagram: @impact_cornerstonepca.

STUDENT MINISTRY:

Revolution (Grades 9-12); UTX (Grades 6-8)



Fall calendars: scan the QR code on the right for Revolution and on the left for UTX. Paper copies available on the bulletin board.



Coming this week:

- Revolution meets tonight, Sunday, December 1st from 6:30 to 8:30pm at Cornerstone.
- Revolution Small Group meets this Tuesday, December 3rd from 6:30 to 8:30pm at the Malone's home.
- UTX meets this Friday, December 6th from 7:00-9:00pm at Cornerstone.

Contact Tim Malone at tim@cornerstonepca.com with any questions.

Missionary of the Month

Bruce Tarbell - Missionary in Budapest, Hungary

Bruce is a member of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church who has been a missionary in Budapest, Hungary for the past 3 years. He is serving as a math and science teacher at the International Christian School of Budapest (ICSB), which is a mission school in Hungary. He is working with middle school and high school students. As a missionary at ICSB Bruce has the opportunity to serve the community in different ways. His principal ministry is two-fold: First - he is serving many of the missionary families in Hungary by providing an education for their children. This allows those missionaries to continue their own mission work without having to worry about the education of their family. Second - ICSB is a mission field itself where Bruce has the opportunity to advance the Kingdom of God by discipling the students in his classes.

The war in Ukraine has had a direct effect on the ICSB community. Many refugees from Ukraine and missionary families from Ukraine and Russia are currently living in the Budapest area. The ICSB community has provided a welcoming and safe place for these families to live and go to school. This has given Bruce and the ICSB community the opportunity to minister to these families and to help support the missionaries who are still serving in Ukraine. One of our sister schools, the Kyiv Christian Academy, has some employees and school families who are still in Kyiv hoping to get the school functioning again for next year.

Prayer Requests:

- A JUST end to the war.
- The people and missionaries of Ukraine and Russia - that they will be able to find shelter and the support they need.
- Bruce and others in this part of the world who will continue to have the opportunity to minister to a lot of hurting people.
- The International Christian School of Budapest and other mission schools as they look for teachers to fill the positions of those teachers who have finished their ministry and are leaving the schools.
- The Kyiv Christian Academy - that the Lord guides the leaders and employees as they start making plans for reopening the school.
- World leaders to find solutions for peace.

Bruce's email: mathmanbruce@gmail.com

Prayer Requests

Pray for our country, and our state, federal, and local leaders.

***Dave Byers:** Ryan Byers' dad has had his cancer return and it is very aggressive. Please pray for him and Connie, Ryan's mom, and Ryan and the Byers family as they process this news and he undergoes treatment.

***Family of Terri Herr:** Terri Herr went to be with the Lord last Thursday night. She died quickly and peacefully with her husband, Gene, at her side. Pray for the family as they grieve. A memorial service is planned at Cornerstone for this Wednesday, December 4th at 6:30pm. Family visitation begins at 5:00pm.

Family of Louise Little: Pray for the family grieving the loss of Louise Little.

Nina Watts: Nina Watts was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. Please continue to pray for Nina as she goes through more testing to ascertain the path forward for treatment. They are grateful for the outpouring of prayer and love from our Cornerstone family.

Terry Neale: Terry has struggled to bounce back from her intestinal surgery in June. She has trouble keeping food down and is continuing to lose weight. Her team of doctors is suggesting possible external nutrition tubes to supplement her calories. She asks for prayers that while decisions are being discussed, she will gain weight in November and show that it may be possible to put off these external tubes.

Larry Genovese: Please pray for Larry recovering from a heart attack, that the rehab would be successful and that he would be able to return to work.

Stephanie Boyes: Stephanie recently learned from her eye specialist that she is starting to go blind due to a degenerative disease spurred by diabetes. Please pray for the LORD's mercies for her and her family at this time.

*Indicates a new prayer request.

**Indicates an updated prayer request.

Ongoing prayer requests: Dottie Kaiser, Gavin Kreer, Juliann and Ronan Manley, Karlyn Morgan, Sherri Kaiser, Sarah Keen (Jan Rusinko's daughter-in-law), Faye Michaloski (JoAnne Hewlett's mom), Jeanne Phillips, and Daniel Rebar.

Ministry Prayer Focus

Pray for our pastoral staff - Billy, Dave, and Tim - as they are on a retreat Monday through Wednesday. Pray that they would be refreshed and renewed in their love for Christ, and that the Holy Spirit will guide them as they brainstorm together and plan for the future.

Pray for the Ladies' Christmas Brunch this Saturday, that visitors would feel welcomed and all attending would leave encouraged to remember the hope of Jesus throughout this advent season.

Giving Update

Giving Update as of November 24, 2024	
Weekly general giving + online:	\$ 34,915
Weekly budget requirement:	\$ 23,858
YTD general giving budget requirement:	\$1,121,113
YTD general giving + online:	\$1,254,711
YTD budget surplus:	\$ 133,398
YTD loan payoff giving:	\$ 3,556
YTD Building Connections giving:	\$ 102,126
Total Building Connections amount received:	\$ 231,442

Ways to Give

In Person: Offering on Sunday Mornings

Mail: Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 339, Kemblesville, PA 19347

Online: For Cornerstone's Vanco Online Giving Page, scan QR code
Or visit www.cornerstonepca.com and click "Giving"

You can download the free Vanco Mobile App from the Apple App store or Google Play store which allows one-time or auto-recurring donations.



Who's Who

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Elders

Rob Gregory - Billy Haines

Ralph Jarrell - Tim Malone

George Pauley - David Phillips

Dan Smith Sr. - Kevin Smith

Dave Spangler - Seth Watts

Craig Weaver

Shepherding Associates

Sandy Baker - Nancy Brower

Linda Comyns - Jill Hill

Jamie Irwin - Colleen McNeill

Becky Mercer - Serena Reyle

Sue Smith - Amy Spangler

Nina Watts

Praise Team Members Today

Steve Sottung (Worship Leader, Bass,
Acoustic Guitar)

Anita Samis (Soprano)

Robert Tilton (Tenor)

Brian Rossney (Bass Guitar)

Laura Bailey (Clarinet)

Buzz Dodson (Drums)

Uriah Stock (Electric Guitar)

Michelle Llorens (Flute)

Ethan Llorens & Micah Watts (Piano)

Jim Watts (Tuba)

Deacons

Dave Eisenhauer - Jay Gallagher

Keith Green - Joe Irwin

Mark Rusinko - Jeff Scheidt

Craig Wellman

Deacon of the Week

Mark Rusinko

Diaconal Associates

Bill Boyes - Linda Comyns

Betty Dudzinsky - Al Llorens

Shirley Montgomery

Children's Church Teachers Today

4's - Kindergarten: Anne Schappert
and Vasil Genov

1st - 3rd: Kelly Wittman and Jeab
Webber