Cornerstone
Evangelical Presbyterian Church

January 22, 2017

# Engage at Cornerstone

#### IN WORSHIP

Dr. Richard Alberta Preaching
"The Least of These"
Matthew 25: 41-46

#### IN FOCUS

#### **Storytime - Event for Women**

Ladies, join us THIS Thursday, January 26 at 7 pm as we share our stories for His glory! This is a great opportunity to hear the testimonies of some of your sisters, as well as see how God is shaping your own story for Him. For more questions call 810-494-4034.

#### CCS Kindergarten Information Night - Jan 26 @ 7 pm

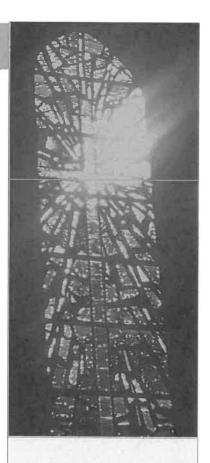
CCS's Kindergarten Information Night will provide information for any parent of an upcoming Kindergartner, whether you plan to enroll at CCS or any other school. We will discuss Kindergarten Readiness, Readiness Testing, and what to look for in a quality Kindergarten program. Please call the school office (810-494-4040) with any questions.

#### **Missions Open House**

Our Missions Open House is less than a month away, and we are in need of many volunteers to provide a wonderful weekend for our faithful missionaries! Please visit Events Registration today to sign up or get more information on Missions Weekend.

#### **Divorce Care**

Beginning this week, Tuesdays from 7-9 pm in the Parlor. If you or someone you know is hurting from a divorce, please consider this weekly support group.



#### **EVENTS REGISTRATION:**

Missions Open House

#### SAVE THE DATE

#### Storytime Women's Event

January 26 @ 7 pm

#### **Gospel Truth**

February 12 - Mar 19

#### **Missions Open House**

February 17 - 19

#### **Holy Week Services**

Apr. 13 Maundy Thurs 7 pm Apr. 14 Good Friday 12-3 pm Apr. 16 Easter Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am Hearing assistance devices are available at the Sound Booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

If you need assistance, please ask an usher for help.

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<sup>41</sup>"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' <sup>44</sup>"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' <sup>45</sup>He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' <sup>46</sup>Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

#### **SERMON NOTES**

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (Infant - Grade 4)**

#### FAMILY INPUT SURVEY

In an effort to better serve your family by providing special events, programs and classes, Children's Ministry invites families with children ages 3 through fourth grade to participate in a confidential online survey titled "Family Input Survey." Be sure to complete it as soon as possible.

Faith Milestones is Cornerstone's path for partnering with parents to equip them to disciple their children during the Milestones formative years of family life. Find guidance for all of the Milestones in your child's life.

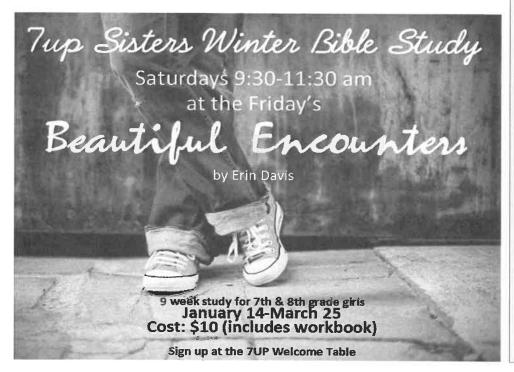
#### **Gospel Beginnings**

Attention parents (and grandparents) of children in Kindergarten or 1st grade! Gospel Beginnings continues today at 11:30 am in room 110. Come and be prepared to cultivate this phase of spiritual development in the life of your child.

#### **Coming Soon! Gospel Truth**

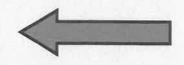
Stage two of our Faith Milestones, Gospel Truth, begins soon. This is a class offered to parents of 2nd graders which provides you the opportunity of making a personal imprint on your child's Bible before presenting it to them at the 2nd Grade Bible Reception on March 26th. This five-week class begins SUNDAY, Feb.12 at 11:30 am in room 110 and runs through March 19. For more information contact Bonny at 810.494.4022 or blinder@cornerstoneforlife.com

## STUDENTS (5TH - 12TH GRADES)



Parents . . . a gentle reminder from your servants in Children's Ministry. . . If your child is not feeling well or shows symptoms of illness, he/she belongs at home or with you in the service. Thank you for helping make our nursery and classrooms a happy, healthy environment for everyone!

7th and 8th Grade Girls! Check out our Winter Bible Study!



## 180 STUDY: MAKE WAR

High School students, join us for a teaching series on Spiritual Warfare, running through January. Equip yourself for the battle. Check us out in the Student Center today!

#### COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community is an essential element of the Christian life. Find a list of our Sunday morning Communities to the right, and join us on Wednesdays, beginning Jan. 11th at 5:15 pm for a fellowship dinner, followed by a variety of children, student and adult classes. RSVP for dinner through our website or App. You can find a listing and description of our classes on our website: cornerstoneforlife.com.

#### DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

Following each worship service there are Elders and Prayer Partners who will pray with you in the front of the Sanctuary. If you'd prefer, you may fill in a pink prayer card (in the church pew) and drop it in the offering plate or turn it in at the church office. It will be given to a pastor for prayer. If you choose to include your name and number, you will be contacted by Caring Ministries. Filling in a prayer card does not automatically add your request to the published prayer list, as some people prefer confidentiality. Addition to the Prayer List must be specifically requested. Feel alone? Request a Stephen Minister to walk with you through the hard or confusing times of life.

#### **ADULTS**

Class/Community	Topic	Location/time	
Growing Together in Christ	Miracles - Signs of God's Glory	CC Classroom/8:30	
Hunt Through the Bible	The Pastoral Epistles: Learning How God's People Should Behave in Church	CC Classroom/10:00	
Crossroads	Evangelism	102/10:00	
Merge	How to Read Difficult Passages	Room 113/10:00	
Tapestry Community	I & II Peter	Room 101/10:00	
F.A.I.T.H.	The Derivative Initiative	107/10:00	
Side by Side	"iMarriage" by Andy Stanley	108/10:00	
SNAP (Special Needs Adult Program)	Amazing New Testament Heroes	Room 109a/10:00	
Rooted	Habits of Grace: Disciplines of the Christian Life	CC Classroom/11:30	

#### NEW WOMEN'S STUDY TO BEGIN 1/24

All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you — unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you.

Come join Renee Kidder & Kim Kozal as they lead *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer. The enemy of our souls always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. More than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory of spiritual armor, this study is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory!

The study runs 7 weeks on TUESDAY evenings, 7 - 9 pm in the Celebration Center classroom, beginning January 24. Books are \$12.99 through Lifeway. Please email Kim at kkozal@yahoo.com and indicate if you need a book.

#### CARE AND PRAYER

#### We extend our deepest sympathies to:

- Patrick and Jonelle Conway and family on the passing of Gladys Wiitanen, Jonelle's mother.
- Jim and Jean Wells on the passing of Jim's mother, Irma Wells.
- Paul and Judy Potrykus on the passing of Judy's father, George Zander. **Please pray God's peace and comfort surround them.**

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to Emily and Ryan Stevenson on the birth of Alexandra Rylie, born January 14. Alexandra was welcomed home by sisters Elodie and Adelyn, as well as grandparents Mike and Kathy Baker.

## Congratulations to the following elders and nominating committee on their recent election:

**Elders** 

Darrell Bozeman Bob Clark

Linda Hull Tom McCarthy

Chris Rans

Nominating Committee

Joe Bernardi Phil Kofahl Larry Mah Barb Peltz Dan Posthuma

Jim Wooster

The motion to extend the call for Pastor Richard Alberta for one year – from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018 passed overwhelmingly.

#### **COMMUNITY**

#### Right to Life - Pregnancy Help Clinic Supply Drive

As you know, January is **Right to Life month**. Pregnancy Help Clinic in Brighton needs our help! Items needed are: crib sheets, size 4, 5 & 6 diapers, single pack baby bottles, and 3-6 month onsies. Please place your items in the box by the Missions cabinet. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Rogge at 248.444.8061.

#### Lost and Found

The Lost and Found cabinet will be cleaned out at the end of the month. Please check the cabinet for misplaced coats, Bibles, and other items. Thank you!

#### **GIVE AND SERVE**

#### **Pew Crew Help Wanted**

Looking for a small way to help out your church community? Our Pew Crew is in need of a few volunteers to replenish supplies for our pews. Pew Crew meets Tuesdays at 8:30 for about one hour. If

for about one hour. If interested, please contact the front desk at 810.227,9411.

#### GOT BOOKS?

Cleaning out your Christian book collection? We'd be glad to add newer editions to our church library. Older books can be donated directly to Christian Resources International, 200 Free Street; Fowlerville. Directions and details can be found on their website: <a href="http://cribooks.org/give-books/">http://cribooks.org/give-books/</a>.

#### TRAIL LIFE FUNDRAISER

Trail Life Troop 4020 is selling split firewood as a fund raiser to help supply the troop with essential equipment for our campouts. We are selling the firewood for \$75.00 a face cord delivered. If you are interested in helping our troop acquire camping equipment and need fire wood for this winter please contact Steve Mahan:

stmahan4020@gmail.com, 248-760-3166

or Curt Kofahl:

cck3rd@comcast.net, 810-923-1168.

## TEACHING AND RULING ELDERS

Sr. Pastor Dr. Richard Alberta Budget & Finance David Andrews, Steve Mahan Clerk of Session Mark Smith Buildings & Grounds Eric Dunatchik Caring Ministries Rev. Brian Tweedie, Ken Foster Children's Ministries

Jon Morgan

Cornerstone School

Dr. Arthur Hunt, Steve Johnson

Discipleship

Rev. Chris Winans, Dan Forster, Bob Wheelock

Men's Ministries

Wally Schram

**Missions** Rev. Scott Larson, Rob Russell, Mike Rumbarger, Jay Chamberlin

**Student Ministries** 

**Bob Kozal** 

**Young Adult Ministries** 

Rev. Chris Winans

Women in Ministry

Laura Muhleck

Worship - Mike Beck

Senior Pastor Search/ Transition Committee Chair Ford Cotton

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### CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22

Day	Time	Event	Room
Sunday	8:30, 10, 11:30am	Worship Services Adult Education Children's Classes/Care	Sanctuary Various Various
	9:30 am 10:00 am	Library Open SNAP (Special Needs Adult Program)	Library 109A
	1:00 pm 4:00-7:00 pm	Congregational Meeting Men's Basketball	Sanctuary Hess Hall
Monday	6:30 pm	Trail Life	Student Center
Tuesday	9:15 am 7:00 pm	Refresh Steps to Serenity	Celebration Center Parlor
Wednesday	12:00 pm 5:15 pm 6:45 pm	Bread of Life Community Dinner Classes/Worship Rehearsal	Celebration Center Classroom Celebration Center Various
Thursday	12:45 pm 7:00 pm	Primetimers Kindergarten Info Night Storytime Women's Event	Celebration Center 111 Celebration Center
Friday	6:00 am	Men's Fraternity Class OFFICE CLOSED @ 12:30	Celebration Center
Saturday	7:00 am 6:30-8:30 pm	Men's Prayer Group Adult Drop-In Volleyball	Parlor Hess Hall

#### God's Faithfulness to Cornerstone

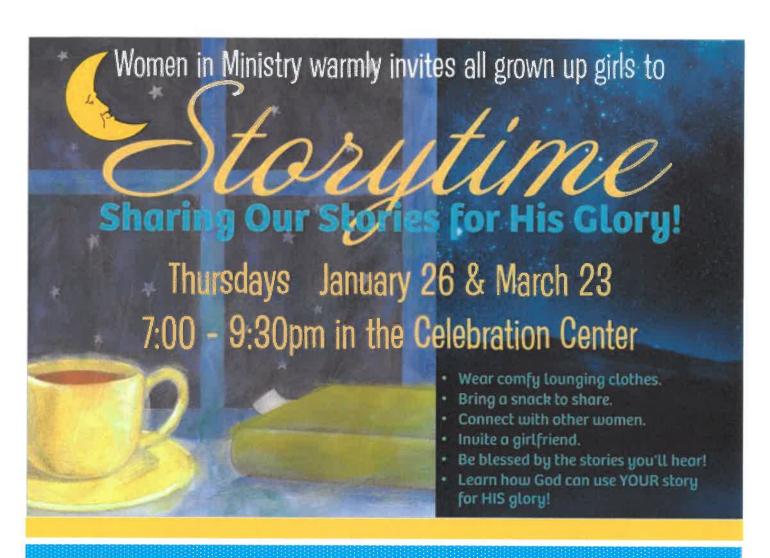
	1/1	1/8	1/15			
Worship:	760	1174	1272			
Offerings:	\$64,702	\$61,396	\$64,351			
Year to Date Actual:	\$1,949,388	\$2,010,784	\$2,075,135			
Year to Date Target:	\$1,921,158	\$1,992,312	\$2,063,466			
Weekly Target: \$71,154						

#### 5:7 PAY DOWN GOAL:

Total Indebtedness (as of Dec): \$2,015,306\*

**Giving for 5:7 to Date:** \$1,021,349 **Total 5:7 Project Cost:** \$2,740,000

\*Includes prior mortgage debt



# Join us on Thursday January 26 to hear our special Storytime presenters!



Meet two ordinary Cornerstone women with *extraordinary* callings from God to use their lives and stories to share His grace and glory!

"All believers, come here and listen, let me tell you what God did for me."

Pladen 66:18 (The Message

Open to all girls\* & women! No registration needed — just show up!

\* Recommended age 5th grade and above

## DIVORCED? SEPARATED?

## WE CAN HELP

DivorceCare is a weekly seminar and support group that will help you heal from the hurt. It's a warm, caring environment led by people who understand what you are going through.

You'll learn practical information that will help you deal with the challenges of divorce. Best of all, you will gain hope for the future.

Is someone you know hurting? Tell him or her about DivorceCare, a weekly seminar/support group. DivorceCare features biblical principles for healing from a marriage breakup.

Tuesdays - 7-9pm January 24 - April 24

Contact Person: Janine Fruehan 248.701.8689



**EXPERIENCE HEALING** 

## COMMUNITY CONNECT



Livingston County's 9th Annual Saturday, February 4, 2017 Parker Middle School-Howell



Community Connect is a one-day community event to help the homeless—and others at risk of becoming homeless—easily connect to helpful information and services, such as housing assistance, health screenings, legal consultation, food services, government and faith-based agencies, medical insurance, resumé writing, clothing, and other personal needs.

We anticipate about 1000 guests to attend! As in year's past, Cornerstone will be providing and serving lunch, distributing gift bags filled with personal need items.

## **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

## DONATIONS ARE NEEDED — BY SUNDAY JANUARY 29TH:

**Women's Deodorant** 

**Shaving Cream** 

**Disposable Razors** 

(Please bring items to display in narthex – Regular size items please – <u>NOT Trial or Travel Size or Jumbo</u>)

## **VOLUNTEER BEFORE COMMUNITY CONNECT:**

Food Preparation Friday, Feb. 3

4pm - 9pm Hess Hall

Set-up —

Friday, Feb. 3

4pm - 8pm Load truck at Cornerstone, transfer

food & gift bags to Parker Middle School

#### **VOLUNTEER AT COMMUNITY CONNECT**: Saturday, February 4 8:30am - 2pm

**Guest Guides** 

Guides are needed to help guests navigate the large facility, answer

their questions and direct them to services. Training provided\*

**Food Service** 

Starts at 7am with set-up, food prep, serve lunch, & bus dining room

Distribute Love INC Gift Bags - Pass out Love INC personal needs gift bags

Tear Down-

Saturday, 1pm - 5pm

Re-load truck and unload at Cornerstone

\*GUIDE ORIENTATION AT PARKER MIDDLE SCHOOL Dates to be determined—Watch the Engage for details

## TO SIGN UP TO HELP

Go to the www.cornerstoneforlife.com, Events, Current Events and Click onto Community Connect

-OR-

Call Karen Leaf — 810.494.4013

email: kleaf@cornerstoneforlife.com