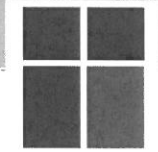


Cornerstone
Evangelical Presbyterian Church



December 18, 2016

Engage at Cornerstone

IN WORSHIP

Dr. Richard Alberta Preaching
"Jesus, the Light of the World" Part II
John 3: 16-21

IN FOCUS

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services

Amidst the busyness of the holidays, we invite you to pause as we worship and recognize Jesus the Christ as the reason for the season. Please join us on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and invite your family and neighbors to do the same! (Service times listed to the right).

Congregational Meeting - Jan 15

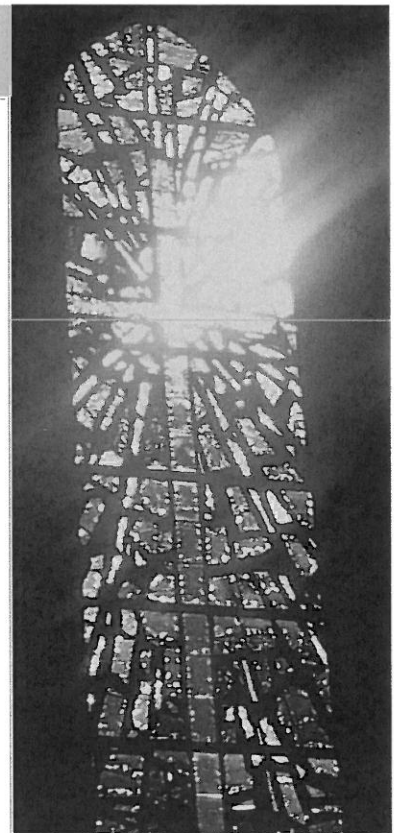
There is a Congregational Meeting scheduled for January 15, 2017 immediately following the 11:30 am service. The purposes of this meeting include electing 5 Elders, approving the 2017 Slate of Deacons, electing the 2017/18 Nominating Committee, and approving the extension of the call for Pastor Richard Alberta for one year – from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018. Please attend this important meeting if you are able! Preview packets are available in the back of the Sanctuary.

Wednesday Evening Programming Resumes Jan 11

Just a reminder that we will resume Wednesday evening programming January 11. Dinner is served at 5:15 pm (please RSVP via App or online), followed by classes for children, students, and adults at 6:45 pm.

We extend our deepest sympathies to:

- Sherry, Jason, Jeff, Krystin and Noah Paszko, on the passing of Bob Paszko, husband to Sherry, father to Jason and Jeff, and Grandfather to Noah.
 - Dave and Sue Thomson on the passing of Dave's father, Jim.
 - Jim and Linda Gutting on the passing of Gary Francis, Linda's brother.
 - Dan and Judy Orr, on the passing of Dan's mother, Violet.
 - Laura And Steve Bethel, Carol Howard, and Ken Howard on the death of Bryce Caudell. Bryce is Laura's son, Carol's grandson and Ken's nephew.
- Please pray the God's peace and comfort surround them at this time.***



EVENTS REGISTRATION:

The Dance Project
Men's Fraternity

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Eve Services
5, 7, & 9 pm
Christmas Day Services
8:30 and 10 am
New Year's Day Services
8:30 and 10 am
Gospel Beginnings
Jan 8 - Feb 5
Congregational Meeting
January 15 @ 1pm
Gospel Truth
Feb 12 - Mar 19
Missions Open House
February 18 & 19

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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¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son. ¹⁹This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. ²¹But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God.”

SERMON NOTES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (Infant - Grade 4)

CALLING ALL KIDS!

Come, Learn, and Grow in your Faith! From birth through grade 4 all children are welcome! We seek to nurture and equip children to know the heart of God in order that they might have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and serve Him.

FAITH Milestones

Gospel Beginnings is a class for Kindergarten and 1st grade parents (and grandparents) designed to equip you with a 'tool box' of resources to nurture your child's faith. We will explore how to use faith talks, memorize "echo questions" (catechism) and pray with your child in age-appropriate ways. **Training** runs on Sundays at 11:30 am in room 110 Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 & Feb. 5. Questions? Contact Bonny at blinder@cornerstoneforlife.com, 810-494-4022 or visit our website.

FAMILY INPUT SURVEY

In an effort to better serve your family by providing special events, programs and classes, Children's Ministry will be inviting families with children ages 3 through fourth grade to participate in a confidential online survey titled "Family Input Survey". It will be sent via Survey Monkey starting January 9th. Be sure to watch for it.

KEYS FOR KIDS

Hey Parents! Did you know that you and your kids can listen online &/or get daily *Keys for Kids* email devotionals at: keysforkids.org. Limited paper copies are available quarterly in the nursery and elementary hallway racks.

COMMUNITY

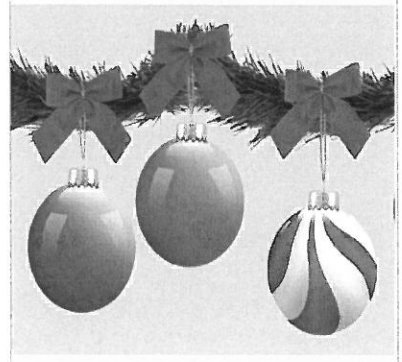


The 2017 BLACKLIGHT DANCE - SIGN UP TO HELP!

Prayer, chaperons, refreshments and set-up help are needed from our church family. Students in grade 7 to 12 are invited to a one of a kind dance experience including lessons for all the best dance moves. Put on the GLOW at this event, attended annually by 200 + students statewide. Fluorescent snacks & drinks will make taste buds tingle. The dance will take place on **Saturday, January 14th, 2017** from 8 - 11 pm at Highland United Methodist Church, 680 W. Livingston Rd., Highland. Doors open at 7:00 pm for early registration. A beginner's lesson takes place at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$10 per person at the door. Proceeds benefit *Swingin'fusion* and *The Dance Project*, a 501(c)(3) non-profit group with a mission of "changing the culture by promoting positive dancing" to area schools. All guests are required to have online liability waivers completed. To sign up or learn more, stop by Events Registration TODAY, contact Jamie Nicholson, 248-210-9409, danceprojectmi@gmail.com, or visit www.TheDanceProject.info.

PLANNING AHEAD...

There will be no nursery or classes December 25 or January 1.



Join Us for Christmas!

Christmas Eve Services:
5, 7 & 9 pm

Christmas Day Services:
8:30 and 10 am
(no child care available)

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.

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.com,
810-923-1168.

ADULTS

Class/Community	Topic	Location/time
Growing Together in Christ	Living Securely in an Insecure World	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	God's Wisdom for Our Times: Proverbs	102/10:00
Merge	Evangelism	Room 113/10:00
Tapestry Community	You Are What You Love	Room 101/10:00
F.A.I.T.H.	"God Behaving Badly?" Study on Apologetics by D.T. Lamb	107/10:00
Legacy*	"Philippians: To Live is Christ, to Die is Gain" Video Series by Matt Chandler	111/10:00
Side by Side	Too Busy Not to Pray - Bill Hybels	108/10:00
SNAP (Special Needs Adult Program)	New Testament Heroes	Room 109a/10:00
Rooted	Habits of Grace: Disciplines of the Christian Life	CC Classroom/11:30

*LEGACY CLASS UPDATE

Today will be the final meeting of our Legacy Adult Bible Fellowship.

OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCIPLESHIP ESSENTIALS STUDY

Have an interest in developing your foundation as a disciple and training to become a disciple-maker? Lorelei Zwiernikowski will be going through the "Discipleship Essentials" book, and there is opportunity for one or two other women to participate in the group. The group will meet on Thursday mornings from 10:30-12:30 at the Church from January-May. Anyone interested can contact Lorelei for more information at: (248)892-9545 or lorenzski@gmail.com.

CARE AND PRAYER

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.

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

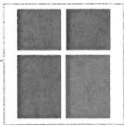
Senior Pastor Search/ Transition Committee Chair
 Ford Cotton

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18

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
	7:00 pm	Christmas Concert	Sanctuary
Monday	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Trail Life Fall GriefShare	Student Center Parlor
	Tuesday	9:15 am 7:00 pm	Steps to Serenity Parents of Hope
Wednesday	12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bread of Life Love Because Adoptive/foster support group	Celebration Center Classroom Parlor
Thursday	12:45 pm	Primetimers	Celebration Center
Friday		OFFICE CLOSED @ 12:30	
Saturday	7:00 am 5, 7 & 9 pm	Men's Prayer Group Christmas Eve Services	Parlor Sanctuary

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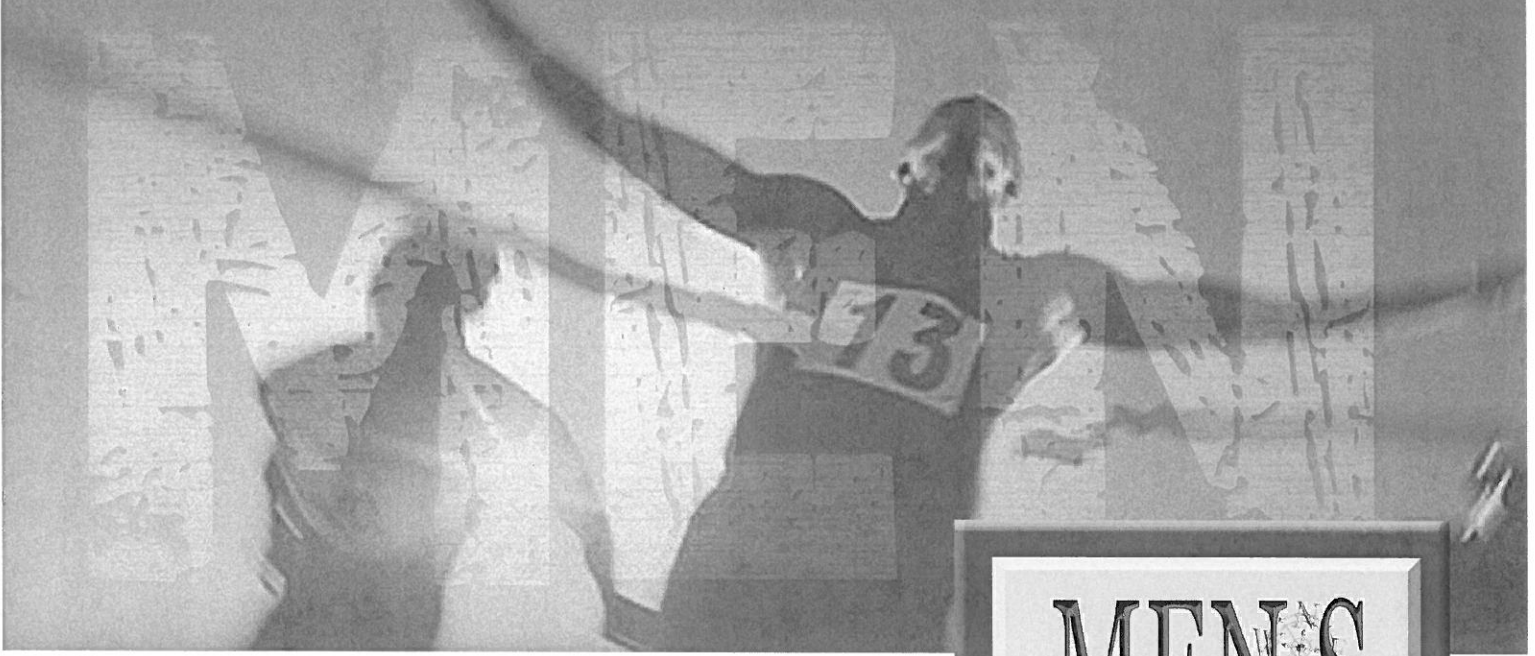


God's Faithfulness to Cornerstone

	11/27	12/4	12/11
Worship:	1295	1333	975
Offerings:	\$54,774	\$87,457	\$62,170
Year to Date Actual:	\$1,484,277	\$1,571,734	\$1,633,904
Year to Date Target:	\$1,565,388	\$1,636,542	\$1,707,696
Weekly Target: \$71,154			

5:7 PAY DOWN GOAL:
Total Indebtedness (as of Nov): \$2,015,306*
Giving for 5:7 to Date: \$974,586
Total 5:7 Project Cost: \$2,740,000
 *Includes prior mortgage debt

CORNERSTONE



AUTHENTIC MANHOOD

WINNING AT WORK & HOME

PASTOR ROBERT LEWIS

For most men, happiness and satisfaction in life are locked up in two words – work and home. This study gives you a framework for winning in both arenas. You'll get the tools you need to build (or rebuild) your confidence; expand your vision; develop successful life strategies; and improve your performance in your relationship with your wife or girlfriend, in your relationships with your children, and in your job.

MEN'S
FRATERNITY

Join us for a 16 week study, fellowship, and a light breakfast on Friday mornings starting January 6th.

- Fridays @ 6am
- Celebration Center
- Suggested donation of \$10 to cover workbook cost.

Sign up at events registration today or online at:

www.cornerstoneforlife.com/bible-studies-men

Contact Wally Schram for more information:

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