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CORNERSTONE

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School @ 10:30 AM	2	3 Elder Meeting @ 6:30PM	4 Rooted/ Adventure Club @6:30PM	5 Cornerstone Connectors @ 5:30PM Perkins Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	6 Ladies Coffee, HyVee @ 10AM	7 Men's Breakfast at Olivia's @ 7:30AM OA @ 8:00AM
8 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School @ 10:30 AM No YOUTH Sunday School <i>Mother's Day</i>		10 Women's Book Club @ 6:30PM Margaret Walker's Home	11 Stonecroft Bible Study @ 9AM Rooted/ Adventure Club @6:30PM Pinewood Derby	12 Cornerstone Connectors @ 5:30PM Applebees Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	13 Ladies Coffee, HyVee @ 10AM	14 Men's Breakfast at Olivia's @ 7:30AM OA @ 8:00AM
15 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School @ 10:30 AM	16	17 Young Hearts @ Noon Missions Team Meeting @ 6:00PM	18 Rooted/ Adventure Club @6:30PM	19 Cornerstone Connectors @ 5:30PM Toreys Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	20 Ladies Coffee, HyVee @ 10AM	21 Men's Breakfast at Olivia's @ 7:30AM OA @ 8:00AM
22 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School @ 10:30 AM	23 Deacon/ Deaconess Meeting @ 6:30PM	24 Administrative Board Meeting @ 6:30PM	25 Stonecroft Bible Study @ 9AM	26 Cornerstone Connectors @ 5:30PM East Wind Buffet Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	27 Ladies Coffee, HyVee @ 10AM	28 Men's Breakfast at Olivia's @ 7:30AM OA @ 8:00AM
29 Worship Service @ 9 AM No Sunday School	30 Memorial Day Office Closed	31				



ROOTED meets Wednesdays
@ 6:30PM-8:00PM
Contact the church office for details:
507-446-5850

Women

Ladies' Coffee @ HyVee:

HyVee every Friday morning at 10:00AM.
All are welcome to join the fellowship
time.

Women's Book Club

Tuesday, May 10 @ 6:30PM, Margaret
Walker's home. The book for May is
"The Jesus I know," by Kathie Lee
Gifford. For more information, contact
Nina Sellner, ninawalks@gmail.com or
the church office, 507-446-5850.



Mission Support this Month

The missionary of the month for May goes
towards Camp Shamineau in Motley, MN. To
provide a donation of money for Missions
ministry please put it inside the globe in the
foyer, designate it in the offering box, or
designate Missions through donations on the
website/App.

Men



Men's Breakfast @ Olivias:

Olivia's @ 7:30AM, Saturdays
All are welcome!

Connect to Cornerstone

- ⇒ Live streaming will be available via YouTube – just go to the Cornerstone Website, App, or Facebook Page and click on the video or use the link on the website. Worship starts at **9:00 AM**. Adult/Grades 1-12 Sunday School starts @ **10:30 AM** September through May.
- ⇒ Videos of the service are available on YouTube, the link can be found on our website: cornerstoneowatonna.com
- ⇒ Digital audio recordings are available in our church app. We will deliver CD's to anyone who calls the office to request one.
- ⇒ The guest network password is "cefcguest" and the name of the network is "CornerstoneGuest" with no spaces.

Thoughts from Pastor Nate...

“All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.” Acts 4:32

I recently came across this verse in Acts in my personal devotions. It is a somewhat introductory verse that describes to us a trait of the early church or “Acts church” that many have marveled at. The trait highlighted the early church was so willing to give up any of their possessions in order to take care of their brothers and sisters in Christ. The trait of taking care of one another has been one that modern churches have continued to chase after.

Often that pursuit has not been successful. As I reflected on this section of scripture, I wondered if it is because we jump to the action of giving up possessions to help others and run right past the likely more important part of the verse; “All the believers were ONE in HEART and MIND.” In order for the early church to arrive at a place where they were willing to sacrifice major possessions (i.e. selling land) for their brothers and sisters in Christ, they needed to be united in Christ.

I have found this now being my prayer for our church. Above many things, I pray that we will be united in Christ, and in that unity, be of one heart and mind. As we find that unity, flowing from it would come the ability to put aside our own desires and opinions and instead look to how we can serve our brothers and sisters around us.

That is what the early church seems to exemplify for us in Acts. The laying aside of personal opinions and desires and looking towards the corporate needs of the whole body of believers. It was better for those believers who sold the land to keep if they were looking at their own needs. It was not better for the church though. We each have things we like or would like to do that would be a better “benefit” for us, but we must ask, “Is that what is best for God’s church?”

While the example here is that of possessions and finances. I do believe that this call of being one in heart and mind is to spread into many other areas of our life and worship as a church.

Today I pray, Father, help us as Cornerstone to be united in you, the salvation brought to us by Jesus Christ, and be of the same heart and mind as we live and do life together. Amen.

In His Service,
Pastor Nate Palmer

Missions Moment

May Missionaries:

This month's featured missionary is Camp Shamineau in Motley, MN.

The mission is to share the gospel of Jesus with the children and youth through relationships and fun camp experiences. Cornerstone EFC has had a relationship with Camp Shamineau for many years sending children from grades 1st through 12th. They have mastered a way of blending the gospel with fun activities including but not limited to swimming, tubing, canoeing, zip lining, concerts, horseback riding, crafts, games, music, and much more. Though we think of Camp Shamineau as a summer program, it is available year round for events and specialty camps. Camp Shamineau has doubled its participation every ten years and is projected to see one thousand campers each session by 2031. To be able to serve this number of campers, they have plans to expand the facilities. To see the specifics of this plan, go to their website:

www.shamineau.org/vision .

Prayer Requests:

- For continued expansion to the physical camp so they can continue to grow and reach more lives.
- Several school groups visit during May, pray for safety for kids and endurance for staff.
- For continued process of hiring summer staff, both counselors & support staff.
- Spring is late this year, lots of work to be done outside to get ready for the upcoming events.
- Prayers for the year round staff. It is a very hectic time of year so we all need prayer for clear heads for planning, physical endurance for the schedule, and open hearts for God's leading us through these next few months.

REMINDER...



To provide a donation of money for Missions ministry please put it inside the globe in the foyer, designate it in the offering box, or designate Missions through donations on the website/App

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 5 @ 5:30PM
The gathering will take place at
the West Hills Flag Pole.
The community is invited to
participate.



PINEWOOD DERBY
Wednesday, May 11 @ 6:30PM
Come and enjoy a free hot dog dinner before
the derby and watch the Pinewood Derby!
RSVP at the Connect Stand.

CELEBRATE

May Birthdays

- 2 Glen Wolf
- 6 Bonnie Bakken
- 7 Ron Akers
- 9 Tammy Voss
- 10 Stephen Glenn
- 11 Nichole Waggoner
- 11 Gary Mohr
- 13 Lucas Prins
- 15 Kathy Van Ommeren
- 16 Kenzie Akers
- 24 Kathi Mudd
- 25 Brian Johnson
- 25 MeLinda Calcamuggio
- 27 Mel Reineke
- 30 Terry Campbell
- 31 Bonnie Jacobson



May Anniversaries

- 22 Rick/Marie Dodds
- 23 George/Linda Sprague
- 25 Dean/Sandy Hardy-Hagen

Recycle Ink Cartridges

Bring your ink cartridges to the
Cornerstone library to be recycled.
For every box of empty cartridges
recycled, Cornerstone youth
ministry receives the proceeds!



FINANCES

January— March
2022

General Acct.	YTD ACTUAL	YTD BUDGET
Giving	\$66,182.50	\$60,000.00
Expenses	\$62,525.94	\$59,594.00

2022 Leadership

Senior Pastor Nate Palmer: 608-487-5190
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Elder Board

	Term Expires
Steve Mudd (Chair)	1-31-23
Josh Tolle (Vice Chair)	1-31-23
David Ivance	1-31-23
Phil Bungum	1-31-24
Dan Axmark	1-31-24

Deacon Board

Dan Kenow	1-31-23
Glen Wolf	1-31-23
Stan Prins	1-31-23
Jerry Schmidt	1-31-24
Pete McFarland	1-31-23
Brad Wolhart	1-31-23
Greg Hauer	1-31-24

Deaconess Board

Laurie Wolhart	1-31-23
Pat Kenow	1-31-24
Reagan Dregge	1-31-24
Yvonne Lennon	1-31-24
Eydie Hauer	1-31-24
Jennifer Waggoner	1-31-24

**Last Term*

Staff

Administrative Assistant

Tai Tolle

Building Custodial

Tai Tolle

Elected Positions

Church Treasurer

Tammy Voss

Financial Secretary

Kathy Van Ommeren

Ministry Leaders

Sunday School Superintendent and Children's Church Leader: LaGene Akers

Worship Director: Eydie Hauer

Nursery Coordinator: Sara Bain

FUN Team: Jason Fawley

Outreach Team: Pastor Nate Palmer

Missions Team: Andrea Johnson

Adventure Club: Kathi Mudd

Prayer Chain: Bev Schmidt

IT/Social Media Director: Zach Engel

Meals Ministry: Becky Franklin/Kathy
VanOmmeren

Rooted Snacks: Tai Tolle

Card Ministry: Becky Quaintance