



**CornerStone
Methodist Church**

South Winds

*Sharing the love, hope and
healing of Jesus Christ through
the power of the Holy Spirit!*

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What a journey we have been on in the past months. After a season of discernment and information gathering, as a church family, we have voted to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church. I know that reality brings different emotional responses from different people. Some of us are grieving, some of us are nervous about the future, some of us are eager to move forward. And first, I want to acknowledge that your emotions, whatever they might be, are valid. Each of us is different and will respond to the same circumstances with different emotions.

I am also sure that many of us are asking, "OK, what's next?" What's next is this; our Administrative Council has moved that CornerStone vote on our future affiliation. In light of this action, I am calling a meeting of the congregation to have our final conversation about our future and bring the issue to a vote. We will meet on Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone who is a part of our church family is welcome but only members will have a vote in this meeting.

Maybe more important than formal next steps, though, is getting back to the business of being church. Regardless of name, we are called by Christ to be making disciples. The world around us is lost in sin. People need to hear the message of salvation that is only found in Jesus Christ. All of us followers of Jesus need to grow in our walk and not stagnate where we are. Which is why Hebrews 10:24 says, "let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works." We have work to do, inside and outside the walls of our church. And we have spent a large amount of time and emotional energy working through this process of disaffiliation.

So what's next? Join a life group. Get in the Word of God daily. Share your faith with your neighbor or coworker or family member or anyone who needs to hear your story. Bring a friend to church. Join a Sunday School class. Because we aren't called to only believe but we are called to be disciples. So let's get busy being the church.

Pastor Keith

Responding to the Resurrection

A Disciple-Making Thought from Pastor John

You have probably heard the old saying, “April showers bring May flowers.” Traditionally, in many regions of the United States and even around the world, the month of April means lots of rain. Depending on how you look at life, an abundance of rain water can bring good feelings or bad feelings.

If it rains a lot, you may be stuck inside the house. You may have to mow grass more often (if it stops raining long enough for the sun to dry out the grass). More rain means more mud. More mud means more footprints tracking through the house from kids, pets, and even adults. More rain means less sunshine. Too much rain can wash away gardens, new landscaping, and even homes. It seems like the more it rains the harder life can be.

The disciples knew all too well what it meant to have their dreams washed away. The phrase, “when it rains, it pours” reminds us that life just gets worse and worse. Jesus, their Teacher and Friend, was being hounded by religious leaders. He was betrayed by one of their own. He was handed over, beaten, mocked, disgraced, and even had to carry his own cross through the streets to eventually be carried away to death by the cross he carried. “When it rains, it pours.”

However, the death of Jesus brings new life, just like “April showers bring May flowers.” The death of Jesus for the redemption of creation is a wonderful reminder that there is life after the hard rains. Water is a necessity for life on earth. Living Water is a necessity for the life of the soul. What seemed like the world of the disciples being washed away was really the Living Water of God bringing new life through Jesus Christ.

What do we do with this new life? Well, in the weeks after Easter we will take a journey through a sermon series focused on how we can respond to the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are going to focus on four words during the three weeks after Easter, living in to this statement you have heard before: “we exist to Reach people with the Good News of Jesus Christ; to Connect them with God, His Word and other followers; so that they (and ourselves) might Transform into passionate, spiritual disciples led by the Holy Spirit and supported by a great faith family; in order that we might Send more people into the world to make disciples of Jesus Christ.”

How are you going to respond to the Resurrection? We may be journeying through the cross and all of its pain and purpose, but remember that the journey through the cross leads us to an empty tomb and a living Savior. Praise God, we have a wonderful story to tell!

Questions of the day:

Which of those four words (Reach, Connect, Transform, Send) resonates most with you?

How can you live into your calling by participating in the mission of CornerStone and Jesus?

Living the Life God has Given,
Pastor John

CornerStone MC Treasurer's Report - February 2023

Current Month	Budget Items	Specials	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$17,818.21	\$60,210.25	\$78,028.46
Receipts	\$39,995.18	\$4,965.64	\$44,960.82
Disbursements	(\$43,255.70)	(\$13,774.54)	(\$57,030.24)
Transfer	\$1,710.34	(\$1,710.34)	\$0.00
Closing Balance	\$16,268.03	\$49,691.01	\$65,959.04
Year-to-Date			
Balance 12/31/2022	\$20,063.93	\$75,306.83	\$95,370.76
Receipts	\$86,893.58	\$12,549.67	\$99,443.25
Disbursements	(\$94,493.11)	(\$34,483.98)	(\$128,977.09)
Transfer	\$3,803.63	(\$3,681.51)	\$122.12
Closing Balance	\$16,268.03	\$49,691.01	\$65,959.04

Honors & Memorials

Budget

In Memory of Ephraim Woods III
Given by Barry & Lynn Cohen

In Honor of Bill & Martha Rice
Given by Lou & Bev Moore

Bereavement Fund

In Memory of Lucille Henry
Given by Fred Whitten
Given by M.J. Henry
Given by Mary Lamb

Music Fund

In Memory of Bill & Evelyn Delaney
Given by Barry & Lynn Cohen

Trustee's Project/New Bus

In Memory of Dot Ellington
Given by Helen Johnson

In Memory of Lucille Henry
Given by Harold & Jared Watson

Backpack Blessings

In Memory of Ephraim Woods III
Given by Peg Hicks
Given by Ann Cossett

In Memory of Joyce England
Given by Frank & Frances Stewart

Pital Feeding Program

*In Honor of Mida Ronay Khatchadourian on
her birthday*
Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

Costa Rica Farm

In Love & Honor of 2023 Mission Team
Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

Emmaus Community

In Honor of Jr., Corbin, & Aaron Fitzpatrick
Given by Larry & Trish Crawford

Good Samaritan

In Honor of Jr. Fitzpatrick
Given by Helen Johnson

Dear Brothers and Sisters of CornerStone Methodist Church,

Peace be with you! Greetings from Thailand!

Sherri and I want to express our gratitude and appreciation for your generosity in support of Thailand NOW Mission. Your partnership makes it possible to save and protect children from being trafficked, for new churches to be planted in unreached areas, for financial training to be given to people who suffer with indebtedness, and for students to receive scholarships for university, and for local pastors to receive scholarships for seminary training.

Thank you for your faithfulness!

Yours in Christ Jesus,
Mike and Sherri Morrissey

Our most heartfelt sympathies are extended to:

The family and friends of Katherine Spears
The family and friends of Doug Taylor
The family and friends of Urban Peters



**MOUNTAIN
MISSION WILL
PICK UP AT
CornerStone
May 22, 2022**

24/6: Sabbath
Tue @ 10am

Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire
Mon @ 6:30pm

Starting the week of April 10th

CornerStone GROUPS
ACTS 5:42 & PROVERBS 27:17

The Chosen
Wed @ 10am

Financial Peace University
Mon @ 6:30pm

Workbook of Living Prayer
Mon @ 6:30pm

The family of Dot Ellington (Aunt Dottie) thanks our wonderful church family for expressions of love and for providing a perfect meal. Dottie loved her church and her Savior Jesus.

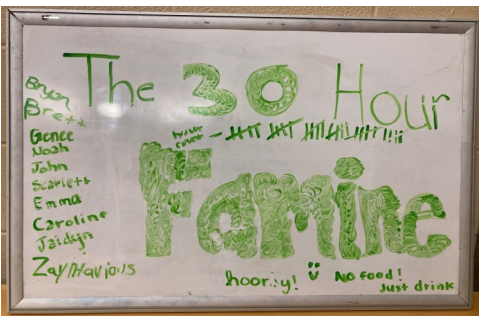
Love in Christ,
Ed, Cheryl, Jim, & Glen

Youth & Children's

NEWS AND EVENTS

Whether an invitation to a wedding, a housewarming, a birthday party, or any other celebratory event, most of us appreciate being asked to come. Despite our flawed nature, God continues to extend the invitation for humanity to partner with God to do Kingdom work, and I know I am not alone in my excitement about the invitation to participate. I couldn't ask for better ministry partners than those I serve alongside here at CornerStone. It is evident this church cares deeply for children and youth, and for that I am grateful.

Our chili cookoff to raise money and awareness for hungry sisters and brothers around the world was such a wonderful fellowship, and collectively, you all donated over \$5,000.



All I can say is thank you. During the 30 Hour Famine weekend, our youth had the opportunity to engage with our church like many of them had not before. While some of our youth are members of our congregation, others participate only on Sunday nights. It was a blessing seeing them participate in Sunday morning worship and help pull off a chili cookoff while being hungry themselves. (Don't worry, they got plenty to eat once they broke their fast.) Young people have energy to bring about change, and I desire to empower our youth to go forth and ignite change in their own neighborhoods, schools, broader community, and around the world. Thank you for heeding the Spirit's call to engage and minister to our young people. And thank you for praying. We can teach and preach and teach some more, but we know it is ultimately the Holy Spirit Who will do the transforming. Please continue to pray for this in each of their hearts!



At the end of April, five of our youth and some of you (serving as mentors, teachers, chaperones, and cooks) will be heading to Aldersgate Camp for their final confirmation retreat for the year. These students will be confirmed at the end of May, which will be another church-wide celebration that includes baptisms and a church family meal. Please continue to be in prayer for our young people and those serving as shepherds and supports.

The Saturday of Easter weekend we will host a community Easter event for kids and families. This will include stations families can enjoy at their own pace. Please contact Genée if you would like to help with this event, and please be in prayer that many families in our community will encounter Christ through this experience.

We are all invited, so together, let's go.

-Genée



Children's & Family Easter Event

CORNERSTONE METHODIST CHURCH

APRIL 8TH, 1-3 PM

Enjoy creative activities, snack-making, and an empty tomb!



It is my pleasure to announce that Nicole Pramik is CornerStone's new church secretary. Nicole says she is a fantasy and sci-fi writer and avid bookworm. She holds an MA in English (Creative Writing) from Marshall University and is a former English and Humanities instructor. In her spare time, she's attempting to learn Norwegian and Welsh and plays big (human) sister to her family's Lab mix rescue dog, Sunny. She will start on Monday, April 3rd. Please stop by the office and introduce yourself to Nicole.

Bill Rice
Chairperson SPRC



Church-wide Spring Cleaning Day Volunteers Needed

Roll up your sleeves and come out to help make the church shine!

We will be spreading mulch, pulling weeds, general yard clean-up, trimming, and planting shrubs and flowers. If you have tools you can bring that would be helpful.

All help is appreciated!



Bless a Child With a Shoebbox Gift

It's time again to be thinking about Operation Christmas Child. Strange to be seeing this in April? With all the activities that typically go on during the Christmas season, we are starting our drive for Operation Christmas Child this month to lighten the load later in the year.

Beginning this month, there will be a collection box in the foyer to drop off your gifts. Each month we will be collecting different items. Those items will be listed in the newsletter as well as on the box itself. Please remember that each item should be able to fit in a shoebox. The age categories are 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14.

APRIL – "WOW" Gifts

Suggestions: Dolls, stuffed animals, musical instruments, soccer balls (deflated w/pump)

Items not accepted: Candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, seeds, food, war-related items, liquids or lotions, breakable items or glass containers

We will gladly accept any gifts at any time! They need not be limited to these particular months. You may also make a donation for the postage. Each box costs \$10 to ship. We will also continue to have our annual Packing Party in November.

Last year, our church packed and shipped 165 boxes!! Our mission is to pack and ship 166 boxes this year! With this early start, maybe we'll even be shipping over 200!

Thank you for your help!
Karen Morgan



The Ladies Class Meeting is centered around heart-felt sharing with other women committed to working through their faith one day at a time.

Our time includes connecting through fellowship, reflection on God's presence and care, opportunities to share our highs and lows, and support through prayer. Open to all ladies, in all seasons of life and faith. Why not come and join us?

LADIES CLASS MEETING

**Date: Sunday evenings
after Easter**

Time: 5:30-7:30pm

**For more information contact:
Alicia Katterheinrich 922-9791**

We meet at the
Lighthouse.
Park in lot on
the Sanctuary ramp
side, house on other
side of lot.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I pray that you all will have a blessed and wonderful Easter. The most awesome time of the year. I want to thank all of you for your support of the Costa Rica mission effort. These first started in 1994, 30 years ago! That is hard for me to believe! Six men went on a 10 day trip and now 30 years later we continue to go to be our Lord's hands and feet doing His work in this beautiful country. There have been over 350 people that have traveled with our team. I say team but it is much more than that. It is a family.



The team was so excited about presenting the trip on March 12. I pray that you all got a small view of what we did. The theme this year was all about sharing God's love. I noticed when we presented, that we briefly spoke of the construction jobs that we accomplished. They were important but not as important as the relationships that were built. Pastor Jerry Russell on our first day at devotion time spoke that buildings and things pass away but the bonds we make with our brothers and sisters in Costa Rica endure forever. So true and so right on point.

The team held VBS for 24 children in El Mirador and had a devotion and craft time for 4 ladies. In Pital, we fed 240 children, more than 30 adults, had devotions and crafts for 22 ladies and a devotion/sharing time for 18 men. All of these were such a blessing to witness. One more time, I want to thank you all for your prayers and support for our Costa Rica Mission. It could not happen without each and every one of you.

Items we can use for the 2024 trip are as follows: Toothpaste, school glue, pencils, erasers, children's scissors, pens, rulers, crayons, antibiotic cream, white twin bed sheet sets, vitamins for children, prenatal, women and men, and of course money.

I was concerned this year that we would not have enough money to pay for the inflatables but as always, I should not have been concerned since God provided. God led me to this verse: Philippians 4:19, "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

If you all could have seen the faces of the children and team helping them, you would have seen pure joy and love. Thinking about them brings tears to my eyes. The beautiful part was that they not only had fun but were fed literally and spiritually. Praise God for that!

The tentative dates for 2024 are February 5-13, 2024. This will be firmed up very soon. I pray that each of you pray about being a part of the team either with going, praying or with financial help.

Please never hesitate to ask questions about the Costa Rica mission.

In His Love and Service
Eduardo




HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Jaidyn Morgan | 23 Kristy Bolen |
| JJ Elkins | Cristen Pulliam |
| Linden Ellison | 24 Randy Cooper |
| 2 Randy Elkins | 25 Gloria Neikirk |
| Rose Grossl | Judy Thomas |
| Alicia Katterheinrich | 24 Teddi Mansfield |
| 7 Sara Shytle | John McClanahan |
| Paul Maynard | 27 Staci Barada |
| 8 Abigail Perkins | 28 William Crank |
| Jacob Perkins | 29 Arianna Wilson |
| 9 Brent Crawford | Kennetta Freholm |
| 10 Annette Ryan | |
| 12 Mary Warnock | |
| 16 Cooper Elam | |
| 17 Jon Lett | |
| 19 Maxine Romick | |
| Dexter Morgan | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 7 Lee & Denise Kerley
 10 Keith & Alicia Katterheinrich
 24 David & Kristy Bolen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 5:30 Youth/God's Gang <i>Palms Sunday</i> 	3	4 7:00 Scouts	5 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Children's Choir 6:30 Stewardship & Missions	6 6:30 Praise Team 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Maundy Thursday @ CornerStone MC	7 7:00 Good Friday @ First UMC Office Closed	8
9 6:30 Sunrise Service 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 	10 6:00 Stephen Ministry	11 9:30 Staff Meeting 6:30 Trustees 7:00 Scouts	12 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Children's Choir 6:30 Stewardship & Missions	13 6:30 Praise Team 6:30 Cub Scouts Men's Emmaus Walk	14 Men's Emmaus Walk	15 Men's Emmaus Walk
16 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 5:30 Women's Group 5:30 Youth/God's Gang Men's Emmaus Walk	17	18 6:30 Finance 7:00 Ad Council 7:00 Scouts	19 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Children's Choir 6:30 Stewardship & Missions	20 6:30 Praise Team 6:30 Cub Scouts	21 Youth Confirmation Retreat	22 Youth Confirmation Retreat
23 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Brunch Celebration 11:15 FLC & FB Live 5:30 Youth Activities 5:30 God's Gang Youth Confirmation Retreat	24 6:00 Stephen Ministry	25 6:00 Loving Arms 7:00 Scouts	26 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Children's Choir 6:30 Stewardship & Missions	27 6:30 Praise Team 6:30 Cub Scouts Women's Emmaus Walk	28 Women's Emmaus Walk	29 Women's Emmaus Walk
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