

The Courier

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Sunday Services

Traditional Service
9:30 a.m.
Sunday School
10:30 a.m.
Contemporary Service
11:00 a.m.



What's Happening Cornerstone?

The message I shared on Sunday, April 28th was from Jesus last words from Matthew 28.

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

All of us are called to be disciples. Words used to describe a disciple are a follower, a learner, and a partner in the Gospel. Then we are called to go and make disciples. We have some new banners up in the welcome center which speaks into the mission of Cornerstone. The most important is that we as a church are to create disciples. This is happening everywhere right now at Cornerstone. A few examples of many.

- ♦ Our children's ministry is now averaging fifty-five kids on Sunday mornings.
- ♦ We had another successful Upward Basketball season with 200 kids participating.
- ♦ The fairbooth has been updated and we were able to tithe 10% to the foodbank from SWAP.
- ♦ The youth are preparing for their local summer mission trip called Hometown Humanity.
- ♦ Chrysalis had two very successful flights in January and February.
- ♦ The Saturday Men's group is studying Twelve Unlikely Heroes.
- ♦ Rev. Sam Bradley along with his wife Sherry came on board as the Visitation Pastor.
- ♦ We completed a wheelchair ramp for Joe Rammel.
- ♦ The UMW hosted Margaret Mallory.
- ♦ A new electronic sign has been installed to tell the Cornerstone story and reach out.
- ♦ The women of Cornerstone had two largely attended Bible studies led by Beth Rice.
- ♦ We completed our sermon series "Saving Questions for God" with powerful testimony from Dave and Patsy Todt.
- ♦ Eleven Confirmation Students were confirmed.
- ♦ Celebrate Recovery hosted Amy Lambert that saw many come to Christ.
- ♦ The foodbank continues to serve 150 families per month.
- ♦ We had 800 in worship Easter Weekend!
- ♦ Tim and Jenn Roth hosted Dinner and a Date.
- ♦ Dave Liddle built a beautiful new information booth to welcome new visitors.
- ♦ We added two new candle banks to the sanctuary for prayer.
- ♦ The UMW had a successful rummage sale.
- ♦ Last but not least... We burned the mortgage on April 21st with many former pastors present!

Thank you for your generosity in helping fulfill the mission of Jesus. We are making disciples one life at a time for the transformation of the world.

Pastor Tim



June Worship Highlights

On June 16th we'll begin a new series on the parables of Jesus. "The Greatest Stories Ever Told." Jesus was a master story teller who used every day images to communicate who he was and what His Kingdom was like. These stories are often like a mirror. We lean in to get a glimpse of the story, and we are suddenly looking at ourselves and the people we should be. Invite a friend to this powerful series.

June 2nd	What does it mean to be filled with the Spirit?	Ephesians 5:15-21	Pastor Tim
June 9th	The Good Samaritan Stories that Jesus Told	Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)	Pastor Tom
June 16th	The Soils Stories that Jesus Told	Mark 4:1-20	Pastor Tim
June 23rd	Prodigal Son Stories that Jesus Told	Luke 15:11-32	Pastor Tim
June 30th	Sabbath Rest is a Really Big Deal	Exodus 20:8	Pastor Tim

Casual Dress in the 9:30 Service

On Sunday, May 27th we will move to casual dress in the first service for the summer. You are likely to see Pastor's Tom and Tim in slacks and a shirt in the first service. We are a come as you are church, so please wear whatever you are comfortable in.

Congrats to the newest members of Cornerstone. Welcome Home.

First Service

Don Baker
Elmer Smith
Ted Newsome
Sissy Chapman
Phil Raynes
Chris Raynes
Angie Bowling
Jim Bowling

Second Service

Frank Schmidt
Sandi Schmidt
Courtney Adkins
Aaron Collier
Amy Collier
Michael Bratchett
Bev McGraw
Corinna Smith



United Methodist Women

Cornerstone United Methodist Women will partner with the female members of the youth group this month to collect and assemble items for health kits and school kits. If you would like to help with this project, items can be brought to church, given to any UMW member, or given to Carolyn Ketter or Sherrill Day, coordinators for the Festival of Sharing Kits. Items needed are listed below:

Health Kits

Hand Towels (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27")

Wash cloths

Combs (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)

Nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)

Bars of soap (3 oz. and up)

Toothbrushes (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-size brushes)

School Kits

Scissors (blunt metal, rounded tip)

70 count spiral notebook paper

Rulers 30 centimeter (12")

Hand-held pencil sharpeners

Pencils with erasers

Large (2 ½") erasers

24 count boxes of crayons

Monetary donations can be made toward purchase of the items as well as helping to cover the cost in mailing the kits. \$2 is needed for each kit assembled and sent to the Festival of Sharing event, held in September.

Meeting dates

June 11 Elizabeth Circle 1pm CUMC

June 12 Rebekah Circle 10am Hill View

June 17 Maxine Hoffman Circle trip to Moyer's for dinner-departure time TBA

Carol Mascari, President Cornerstone UMW

574-6692

Africa, here I come!

I will be at the Rafiki Village in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa from June 21-July 6 and am so excited to go in the name of Christ.

The children there speak Swahili and are learning English. Rafiki means "friend" in Swahili and depicts the purpose of the organization- to befriend orphans and widows in their distress, teaching them to know God and raise their standard of living. I will be living at the Village for two weeks, supporting the children in their daily activities and needs. I will interface with their caregivers, meet widows who are learning a trade, and worshipping with them each day. I will take the love of Cornerstone with me! Thank you for your donations. I am two-thirds of the way in raising \$3200. If you would like to give online, please go to www.rafikifoundation.org and click my name under the Mini-missionary tab. Or, you may make a check out to Rafiki Foundation and put my name and the account number M1867 on the note line at the bottom left of the check and I would be happy to mail it to Rafiki myself. Most of all, thanks for traveling with me in spirit and in prayer!

Beth Rice



Vacation Bible School

June 2nd-6th

6:30-8:00PM

Register at Cornerstone on June 2nd

Come one, come all to the Kingdom Rock Vacation Bible School from June 2-June 6 here at Cornerstone United Methodist Church from 6:30-8:00 each evening. This exciting VBS is for children in preschool through the 6th grade. Kingdom Rock is a life-changing and rockin' VBS that is so much fun! Kids are going to develop a rock-solid faith as they discover how to stand strong for God in every part of their lives. Kingdom Rock reaches all ages of kids, from the inspiring music and Bible adventures to the energizing games and sciency-fun gizmos. It has been intentionally designed and re-imagined to connect children's minds and hearts to one simple daily Bible Point. We really hope to see you and your family at Cornerstone during our very exciting VBS week!

Change in Church Governance Structure

We are truly in an exciting season at Cornerstone! Everyone can sense God's presence as we move forward with God's dreams for this great church. An option that Cornerstone is considering is a Board of Directors model of church governance. Most churches in the Shawnee Valley have a board or are moving towards one. This model was first presented by Rev Wayne Young from Ironton First, and Rev Perry Prosh of Wheelersburg UMC to the team listed below.

Ron Chapman-Treasurer

Tim Graham-Trustees Chair

Harold Massie-Endowment Chair

Hank Harcha-Lay Leader

Tom Covert-Finance Chair

Tim Roth-Senior Pastor

Dave Todt-Administrative Board Chair

Jackie Scott-Pastor Parish Relations Chair

The group unanimously agreed to move forward and present the model to those in church leadership. This occurred on May 6th with Joseph Bishman, Perry Prosh, and Wayne Young presenting.

The Board of Directors Model utilizes twelve leaders who serve on rotating three year terms. The reasons the model is effect are below.

- 1) It streamlines the structure into a more efficient system
- 2) It moves lay leaders from meetings to ministry opportunities
- 3) It is an accountability model for pastors and staff
- 4) It reduces triangulation between committees, pastors, members, and staff.
- 5) Healthy growing churches use this model

On May 20th a motion was presented in administrative board to move to this model. The change is structure is now under consideration with a vote scheduled for June 24th in administrative board. The ad board was asked to spend a month in prayer.

A town hall meetings is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18th at 7:00 P.M.

Please be in prayer for Cornerstone as we dream and pray for God's will in the coming years. The best is yet to come.

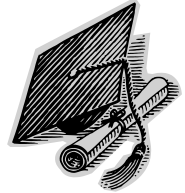
Congratulations 2013 Graduates!

High School

Jodie Bickett, Wheelersburg H.S
 Seth Goddard, Bloom Vernon H.S
 Jen Arnzen, Notre Dame H.S
 Jacob Dingess, Wheelersburg H.S
 Brandon Voorhies, Kings H.S, Medina, Ohio
 Mitchell Richards, South Webster H.S
 Zachary Longworth, Delaware Hayes H.S
 Nick Johnson, Valley H.S

College

Kurt E. Walker, University of Iowa
 Jacquelin C. Skoog, University of Memphis



Kids Schedule

Preschool		Elementary	
First Service 9:30-10:30	2nd Service 11:00-12:00	First Service 9:30-10:30	2nd Service 11:00-12:00
June 2nd Teacher: Erica Webster Assistant: Daniel Webster	Teacher: Beth Rideout Assistant: Courtney Adkins	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Jim/Angie Bowling Assistant: Jayla Bowling
June 9th Teacher: Jenn Roth Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Maria Jolly	Teacher: Lisa Kepler Assistant: Robbie Shugert	Teacher: Mike/Michelle Liddle
June 16th Teacher: Beth Rice Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Bev Flowers Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Kendra Tener	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Meghan Brachett
June 23rd Teacher: Adam/Sarah Betten	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Cindy Morrow	Teachers: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Tiffany Newsome Assistant: Cassie Morris
June 30th Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Jonathon James Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Robbie Shugert Assistant: Youth	Teacher: Hetty Phillips Assistant: Youth

REAL LIFE Report

Wow! What a great turnout! We are humbled by all of the support the church gives the youth here at Cornerstone. With your help, the youth raised a little over \$1700.00 towards our summer mission project with the basket auction and spaghetti dinner. It was an amazing success.

Special thanks go out to Jackie Scott and her crew in the kitchen who were so wonderful in preparing the evening meal. We also would like to say thank you to everyone who donated a basket and made a dessert; what an awesome array of cakes, cookies and baskets. And a big thank you goes out to those of you who bought dinners and bid on the baskets. It was an all-around great evening of food, fellowship and fun all in the name of God and for His Kingdom.

I would also like to recognize the 40+ youth that helped serve during this evening of fun. From the young men and women who waited on tables, to the youth who helped in the kitchen, as well as those who served drinks, took out the trash, swept the floors, prepared the desserts, and whatever else they were asked to do, it was an amazing event with efforts that will resonate through our entire summer.

We do what we do in order to show people the love of God and prepare the way for His word to reach their soul. Sometimes that takes an enormous amount of commitment from those of us who choose this path. I thank God that there are people out there who give of their time as well as their resources to help bring the youth from all over our area into a lifelong relationship with the one who created us. I can never say "Thank You" enough.

Doug



Honduras Mission Trip 2014

That's right! Our first international, all church mission trip, in the summer of 2014. We'll have a pre-information meeting on June 23rd at 12:15. We will be sharing about the accommodations, the cost, the tasks, and the wonderful people of Honduras.





PRAYER, Small Stuffed Animals and Toys Are Needed

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6 NIV

Our Community Packing Party is quickly approaching and our closet is absent Small Stuffed Animals and Small Toys to fill the tiny hands of the hurting children who will receive the gospel with these simple gifts. If you have unwanted small stuffed animals, beanie babies or Boyd's Bears that are "like new", or unused toys from "Happy Meals", please donate them to Operation Christmas Child to put a smile on the face of a needy

child. To donate, please call Gaylene St. Leger Cox at 330 904-5873 or Jayne Brooks at (740) 357-0537...and **PLEASE PRAY...**

Summer SWAP Days

June 1st & 2nd

Join us to for great fellowship, serving together, and fun. We are tithing 10% of the proceeds for the fair workers outreach. Thanks to Bob Pierce for leading this team.

Joni and Friends

June 25th, 5:30-8:30pm

Shawnee Lodge

We are having a big evening that night. We would ask the church to bring out a few carnival type games and to help with different activities that evening.

Scioto County Relay for Life

June 21st

Gail Miller is selling luminaries. Buy yours in honor or memory of your loved one!



What: Church Picnic
 When: Sunday, August 18th
 Time: 5:00-7:30pm
 Where: Earl Thomas Conley, Riverside Park
 Why: Fellowship, Food and Fun

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Upcoming Events

June		July	
1st & 2nd	SWAP Days	4th	Independence Day, Office Closed
2nd-6th	VBS	7th	Youth Sunday
9th-12th	Annual Conference	12th-15th	Girls Chrysalis Flight
16th	Father's Day	19th-22nd	Boys Chrysalis Flight
17th-21st	Dorothy Knost Workshop	25th	Chrysalis Board meeting and HOOT
18th	Board of Directors town hall meeting	28th-Aug. 2nd	Jackson Area Ministries work camp
23rd-28th	Youth Mission		
25th	Joni & Friends Shawnee Lodge		

