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NOVEMBER • 2024



SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:15 am 9:30am & 10:45 am

On Friday, Oct. 25th I was honored to officiate at the funeral service for Eldon Cornelius, who died at age 92. Eldon faced significant challenges in his life. His mother died when he was 8 years old. In 2004 he was diagnosed with bone cancer that required 8 years of treatment before it went into remission. His wife of 54 years died in 2014. He spent the last two years of his life in the Avantara Nursing Home. As a result of navigating through all these challenges, Eldon had a word of advice that he shared with people – “To live the good life is to know Jesus”.

In November worship we'll explore the New Testament book of 1 John under the series title Knowing Jesus Brings Real Life! Everyone is on a quest to find real life; a life of contentment, joy, love, and purpose. A life worth living! But where can find real-life be found? In 1 John Jesus' disciple John clearly states that real life begins in knowing Jesus. It's not knowing things about Jesus that matters. It's knowing Jesus as we would know a person that makes the difference. Knowing Jesus brings us into a life in which we leave darkness behind and move into God's light. Knowing Jesus enables us to live in love. And knowing Jesus means we have the life of God – the Holy Spirit in us – assuring that we always have friendship and fellowship with God.

Eldon was right. To live the good life is to know Jesus. Join me this month as we deepen our understanding of knowing Jesus.

Pastor Steve



SUNDAYS

NURSERY-

Birth – 3 years old

Every Sunday @ 9:30
& 10:45 am services.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH-

3yrs - Kindergarten

Every Sunday during the 3rd service
(Children are excused to the Ark
during the Pastor's message)

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:30AM

THE WEE ARK - 3yr olds

THE LITTLE ARK - 4yr - Kindergarten

THE ARK - 1st - 4th grade

THE ARK Youth56 - 5th & 6th grade



KIDS CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

December 8th - Kids, ages 3 years-Kind.
Will sing a special song at the
9:30 am service.

December 15th - Kids, ages 1st grade – 6th
grade will sing a special song at the
9:30am service

WEDNESDAYS

NETWORK 56

5th - 6th graders

Every Wednesday from 3:30-5:30 pm
(Walk through the Bible)



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

DROP-OFF TIMES

@ GracePoint | 1616 3rd Ave NE

- **Mon, Nov. 18:** 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **Tue, Nov. 19:** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **Wed, Nov. 20:** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- **Thu, Nov. 21:** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **Fri, Nov. 22:** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **Sat, Nov. 23:** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- **Sun, Nov. 24:** 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- **Mon, Nov. 25:** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



November 27th
NO Network 56

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**No Sunday School,
Children's Church or Nursery
staff (Nursery is open for
parents to use)**

**December 1st -
(Happy Thanksgiving!)
December 22nd, 29th
(Merry Christmas!)**

 CORNERSTONE
STUDENT MINISTRY



YOUTH PRODUCTION TEAM!



JOIN OUR TEAM! The Cornerstone Production Team is a group of creative and technically-minded people who find joy in bringing the gospel to as many people as possible in many different ways, utilizing displays, lighting, audio, and video.



Use the QR
code to
sign up.

<https://tinyurl.com/mr2pseh3>

NOVEMBER YOUTH GROUP

SMALL GROUP LOCATIONS

7TH & 8TH
@ CHURCH

9TH
- @ MEESTER'S-
2735 14TH AVE NE

10TH
-SMITH'S- (ON NOV. 6TH)
1700 GRANDVIEW DR.
-KEYES- (ON NOV. 20TH)
66 PARADISE DR

11TH & 12TH
- @ CARLSON'S -
44854 169TH ST

NOV. 06 - SMALL

Location on the right ->

NOV. 13 - LARGE AT THE CHURCH

NOV. 20 - SMALL

Location on the right ->

NOV. 27- NONE



Collision partners with churches to train students how to share the gospel and disciple their peers. We want every middle and high school student in Watertown and the surrounding area to hear about Jesus and have the opportunity to follow Him.

Want to get involved?

**EVERY OTHER
FRIDAY MORNING!**

Location: Watertown High School Choir Room

Contact Malachi with any
questions at 605-881-9553

THANKSGIVING GRATITUDE

Happy Thanksgiving Ladies!

May November be a time to linger
in gratitude.

A time to remember and remain in an
attitude of thankfulness.

Praying blessings over you!

Pastor Carla

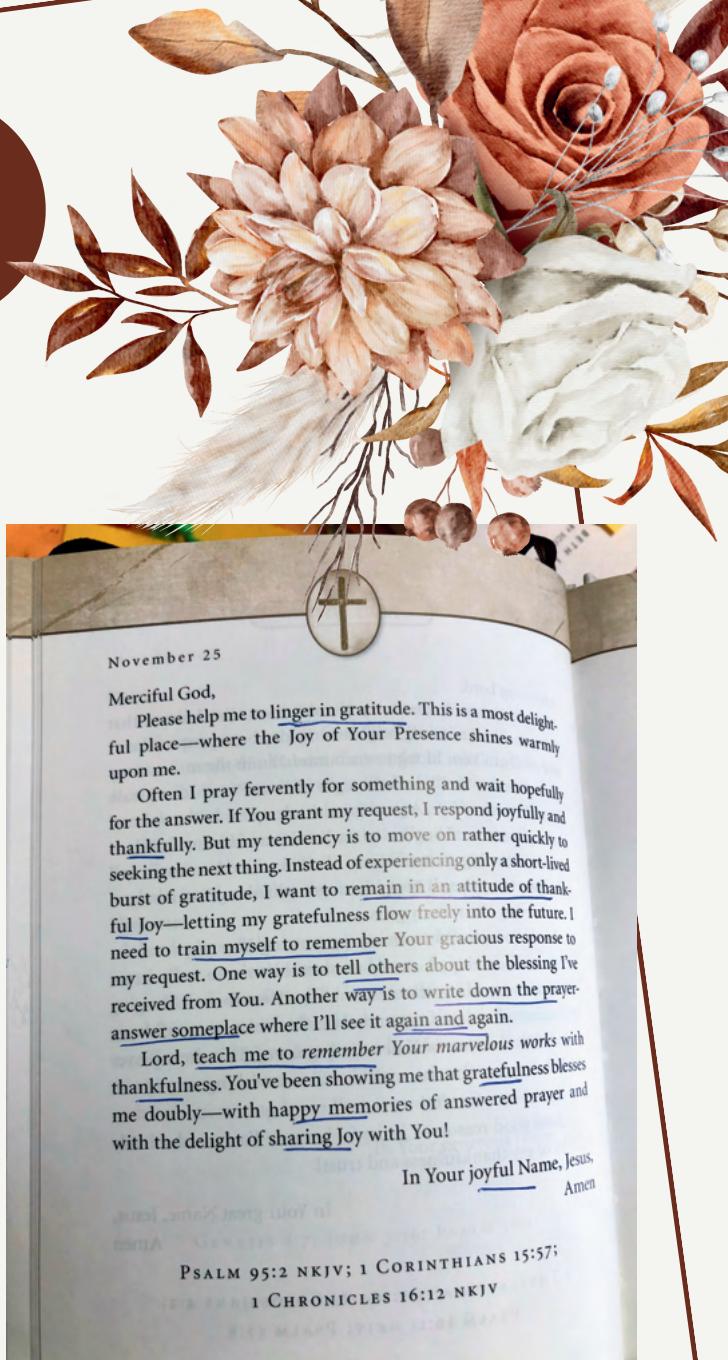
Let us come to him with
thanksgiving.

Let us sing psalms of praise to
him. - Psalm 95:2

But thank God! He gives us victory
over sin and death through our
Lord Jesus Christ.
-1 Corinthians 15:57

Remember the wonders he has
performed, his miracles and the
rulings he has given.

-1 Chronicles 16:12





Join us as we gather as a church community for extended times of worship & prayer to celebrate our time with our connect groups. We want to gather to prepare for the Holiday season with some intentional spiritual rest with each other, bring any anxiety, fear, concerns to God, and to pray for our church, our community, & our country. Jesus said that we do not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. So with that, we will gather to pray, sing, and to fill our lives with His word.

Worship & Prayer Nights

Join us as we gather as a church community for extended times of worship & prayer.

3 NIGHTS IN NOVEMBER

10 | 11 | 12

6:30-8:30pm

Cornerstone Church Worship Center

"And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts."

Colossians 3:15-16

Christmas Eve Offering

45%

Kid's Ministry Center
for Land of Hope in
Escuintla, Guatemala

45%

Little Blessings move to
their new location

10%

Cornerstone's Benevolent Fund

This year we'll be giving our Christmas Eve
Offering toward two projects:

1. 45% of the offering will go towards enabling Oscar Palencia and the Land of Hope ministry in Escuintla, the third largest city in Guatemala, Land of Hope ministers to the families who work and live in the city dump. A Kids Ministry Center will enable Land of Hope to get more kids out of the dump during the day, where they often experience injuries due to smoldering fires, sharp objects, and chemical exposures.

2. 45% of the offering will go towards the cost of Little Blessings, a faith-based child care provider, to move from their current location at Family Worship Center to donated space at Harmony Hill. Our county has a severe shortage of child care for infants through age 5. Little Blessing's move will enable it to double its capacity and provide quality, faith-based care for kids.

Grieving?

Know someone who is?

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful.

Our **Surviving the Holidays** seminar helps participants prepare for the holidays and even discover hope for the future.

GriefShare®

**Surviving
the Holidays**



**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 23
2-4PM ROOM 102**

TO SIGN UP VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.GRIEFSHARE.ORG/EVENTS/249491

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

28
NOV

10 2nd St SE
Watertown
SD 57201

11 AM
- 1 PM

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FOR VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES OR DELIVERIES



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Preparing people for the unexpected

DO YOU HAVE THE GIFT OF EXHORTATION?

Check out the QR code for more information on "What Is the Gift of Exhortation"

<https://tinyurl.com/559c725e>



- Do you love to see believers strengthened in their faith?
- Does it bring you great joy when one of God's redeemed saints steps into a greater understanding of God and who they are in Christ?
- Have you experienced your own beautiful moment of realizing your freedom in Christ? You might have the gift of exhortation!



CORNERSTONE
COMMUNITY FREEDOM
MINISTRY

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO GET INVOLVED CONTACT
PAMELA AT 605-886-2242 EXT. 234
OR PAMELA.CARLSON@CORNERSTONEWAT.COM

Freedom in Christ is looking for four more teammates: two men & two women.
Teammates walk alongside other believers as they step into a discipleship process known as the Steps to Freedom in Christ.

FOOD PANTRY

MONDAY'S 9AM-12PM

NOVEMBER FOCUS



SOAP
DISH SOAP
& LAUNDRY
DETERGENT.



WE ARE SO THANKFUL

FOR OUR 23 MENTOR/MENTEE TEAMS meeting each week at Mellette Elementary.
AND they are asking for MORE! PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER becoming a MENTOR!



ROLL THE DICE

SMALL TALK

Play with a partner and two dices. Roll the dice and ask the question that corresponds.

Play until there are no more questions!

	Where do you live?	What's your favorite game to play?	What's your favorite drink?	What was the best holiday you ever had?	Who do you love? Why?	What's your hobby?
	Do you play an instrument?	What's something that you don't like?	What's your favorite story?	Do you have a pet?	What sound annoys you the most?	What's your favorite ice cream?
	What's your favorite food?	What's your favorite color?	What is the best surprise you ever had?	What is your favorite candy?	What would you like to collect?	When's your birthday?
	What makes you smile?	What's your best friend's name?	What's your favorite singer? Why?	What are you good at?	What do you like for breakfast?	How do you like to have fun?
	What's your favorite fast food?	How do you like to have fun?	What kind of TV shows do you like the most?	What do you like to do on the weekends?	Where are you originally from?	What's your favorite gadget?
	What type of movies do you like?	What genres of music do you like?	What have you seen on TV recently?	What makes you smile?	What do you think of sports?	Have you seen any good movies lately?

Get out a couple of dice and enjoy this little game with someone.

It will give you a taste of one of the many things our Mentors enjoy doing with their Mentees!



Update on the Facilities Study Committee:

Our Facilities Study Committee (FSC) (Renee Olson-Stevenson, Rhonda McKeever, Sheri Campbell, Dan Gable, Jason Hanson, Al Hendricks, Brian Benson, and Lynn Jurrens, Trisha Rieffenberger – Chairperson met on Oct. 16th to do a walk-through of our facility, explaining the uses of each room.

Former pastor, Roger Spahr, met with the FSC on Oct. 30th, giving the history of building our current facility, sharing what was learned, along with advice any future projects. From there the FSC will survey church attendance statistics, receive staff recommendations, and begin prayerfully discerning what additional space Cornerstone might need to continue strong ministry into the future. Thank you for keeping their work in your prayers!

MINISTRY TEAM:

Steve Anderson, *Senior Pastor*; Luke Smith, *Men's Ministry & Hospitality Pastor*;
Carla Johnson, *Assistant Discipleship Pastor & Pastoral Care*;
Brandon Trupe, *Worship Pastor*; Lucas Severson, *Director of Technology and Creative Arts*
Mark Tracy, *Pastor of Outreach and Missions*
Jesse Hurkes, *Youth Pastor*; Emily Trupe, *Youth Ministry Assistant*;
Nicol Theron, *Office Manager/Creative Arts*; Lexie Vetch, *Business Manager*;
Abby Keyes, *Financial Manager*;
Pamela Carlson, *Cornerstone Freedom in Christ Ministry Coordinator & Youth Ministry Assistant*
Lehla Pietz, *First Service Director of Music*;
Jill Hauger, *Kids Ministry Director*; Anna Ruschmeier, *Kids Ministry Volunteer Coordinator*
Jen Koistinen, Mandy Hilmo, Molly Lindgren *Kids Ministry Assistants*;
Lindsay Conrad, *Nursery Coordinator*;
Shannon Berg, *Custodian*; Lonnie Vetch, *Maintenance*;

2024 FINANCIAL AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Annual Budget: \$1,682,404.00

\$32,354.00 needed per week to meet budget • Weekly average received for budget expenses - \$27,193.94

General Fund Year-to-Date Income: \$1,169,339.56

Building Fund Balance: \$61,788.08

Attendance (in-person average): 1st - 136 • 2nd- 303 • 2nd- 311; Online- 103 TOTAL = 849

Average Weekly Food Pantry Families: 71

**To view the church calendar
use the QR code or go to
www.cornerstonewtn.com/calendar**

