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Recurring Activities:

- High School Youth Group, Sundays, 6-7:30pm, @ Church Office (NOT on May 13 – Mother's Day!)
- Middle School Youth Group, Mondays, 6:30-8pm, @ Church Office
- Play Group, Tuesdays, 10am – 11:30am, varying locations | [Details](#)
- Boy Scouts, Tuesdays, 7pm, @ Choir Room (A2)

Community Events:

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“Aslan is on the Move”:

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Announcements

Lost and Found – If you lost something, please claim it before it disappears... forever!

Boy Scout Troop Summer Camp, Jul 7- 14, Goshen Scout Reservation, Goshen, VA

Worship Notes:

Hymn of the Month

Apostles Creed

Sunday Classes (9:35-10:30am):

Grades 1 – 5: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray"@ Church Office.


Inquirers Class: Led by Pastor Baxley @ Church Office in Pastor Nilsson's Office.

Middle School, High School, and Adults: Biblical Apologetics @ Sanctuary

Cornerstone Organization: [Cornerstone Ministry Plan](#) | [Staff & Leaders](#) | [Missionaries](#)

Resources: Prayer Chain | Counseling | Sermon Audio | iTunes | Blogs | Facebook

The Top 5 things to think about this week:

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1. **Back Yard Bible Clubs – Kick-off Meeting, 6:45, May 24: The ball is moving. Sign up NOW to be part of a team!** Cornerstone's Back Yard Bible Clubs (BYBC) are back again this summer and will be held the week of July 16-20. Mark your calendars, spread the news and tell your friends! We are in the Recruitment Phase now, forming the teams and hosts that will enable this great ministry to our communities. **Sign up by [clicking here](#) if you are interested in volunteering** - there are many ways you can help! Or talk to Gretchen Thomas at 240 434-6165.

2. **Mother's Day Gift Options:**


- If you are looking for a unique gift for the mothers in your life, consider sending a card that will also help many vulnerable children in Ethiopia – [click here](#) to learn more.
- This e-card gift will also help free slaves around the world – [click here](#) to learn more.

3. **Youth Group Holiday Schedule:** Due to the upcoming holiday weekends, Youth Group will not meet on designated days:

- 13 May, Mother's Day: High School = NOT meeting
- 14 May, the Day after Mother's Day: Middle School = **YES, meeting**
- 27 May, Memorial Day weekend: High School = NOT meeting
- 28 May, Memorial Day (Monday): Middle School = NOT meeting
- Note: if there is ever a question, check the [Calendar](#) on the Cornerstone Website

4. **New Youth Pastor Candidates coming to Cornerstone:** One of the new youth pastor candidates, Dagan Mayfield, will be coming with his wife, Jen, to spend some time with the Cornerstone family on 11-14 May. If you would like to spend some time with them, here is the current schedule:

- Friday, 11 May – arrive, dinner with host family (Perrin's) and possibly others.
- Saturday, 12 May
 - i. Morning – interview with the Session.
 - ii. 2-4pm – Ultimate Frisbee with HS and MS Youth Groups
 - iii. Evening – Cookout at Church Picnic Area – anyone is invited (food, sing songs, Dagan will share his testimony)
- Sunday, 13 May (Mother's Day)
 - i. Morning – Sunday worship at Cornerstone
 - ii. Afternoon - Dagan and Jen lent a car to explore SoMD, go hiking couples of similar age, etc.
 - iii. Evening – dinner with Nilsson's and anyone else (picnic if weather is good)
- Monday, 14 May – depart



On 18-21 May, another youth pastor candidate, Brandon Lutz, will be visiting with his wife, Rachel. Here is their current schedule, which shifts some activities to Sunday. Again, please find time to spend with them if you would like.

- Friday, 18 May – arrive, dinner with host family (TBD) and possibly others.
- Saturday, 19 May
 - i. Morning – interview with the Session.



- ii. Afternoon – Brandon and Rachel lent a car to explore SoMD, go hiking couples of similar age, etc.
- iii. Evening – dinner with Nilsson’s and anyone else (picnic if weather is good)
- Sunday, 20 May (Mother’s Day)
 - i. Morning – Sunday worship at Cornerstone
 - ii. 2-4pm – Ultimate Frisbee with HS and MS Youth Groups
 - iii. Evening – Cookout at Church Picnic Area / combined youth group, plus anyone is invited (food, sing songs, Brandon will share his testimony)
- Monday, 21 May – depart

5. **TMT Starting New Program with DSS:** Starting this week, the Transformational Ministry Team (TMT) has started a program in partnership with St. Mary’s Department of Social Services (DSS). When needy people go to DSS requesting assistance including training in life skills (budgeting, parenting, etc.), DSS will ask the person if they would like to work with Cornerstone. If so, DSS will fax the referral to the Cornerstone TMT Referral Response Team (RRT). (I just made that name up.) This group of people will review the referral and make a decision to accept the referral or not. If so, a pair of TMT members will be selected to engage with the person and determine the best path forward. The goal is to help people “develop” life skills so they don’t end up in the same situation in the future, develop relationships so they are not alone in the future, and develop spiritually so they understand their true purpose and worth in this world... forever. If you are interested in joining this team, click to [Sign-Up](#) and indicate how you would like to help – teaching classes, mentoring, etc.



Sign-Up for:



- **Baby Girl Nuhfer Shower:** We will be having a first-time baby shower for Rachel Nuhfer on **May 5th at 10am at Gwen Jenkin's home**. Please join us in celebrating the joy of new life with Rachel! Shannon and Rachel are registered at Amazon.com. For more details, contact Jennifer Parkhurst at Jennpen1@gmail.com or 304-685-4477. [Click here](#) to RSVP!
- **Baby Boy McClendon Shower:** You are invited to a first-time Baby Shower for Kyndall McClendon, Sunday, May 6 at 2pm at the Brandt's House: 20138 Poplar Hill Creek Lane, Leonardtown, MD. This is being hosted by Lisa Brandt and Jen Nuebert. (If interested in contributing to a group gift, contact Jen - 808 220-2218.) [Click here](#) to RSVP by Apr 27.
- **CCT Homeschool Registration:** California Christian Tutorial [Registration](#) is now open for the 2012/2013 Academic Year! CCT is a ministry to homeschooling families in the area. CCT's mission is to support families as they seek to develop their children into mature and discerning followers of Christ by enhancing and extending the home school experience into the middle and high school levels. Classes are held on Tuesday & Thursday at Cornerstone. For registration and more information about [classes](#) and [schedule](#) visit our website: www.californiachristiantutorial.org
- **Women's Bunco Night:** Enjoy a fun game night **Friday, May 18th, 7 pm, at Leonard's Grant** clubhouse / recreation center (23600 North Montague Drive, Leonardtown, MD). Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Contact Elizabeth Buckingham (904-248-0440) or Jessica Landis (240-538-3904) if you have any questions. [Click here](#) to sign up.
- **Cornerstone Softball** – Softball season is around the corner again. Last year, Cornerstone fielded two teams – an A-league (competitive) and a B-league (semi-competitive) team. This year, we will field two teams if there are enough players, and players will be placed according to their experience/skill level. Practices will begin soon, with games beginning in May. The A-team will be managed by Shannon Nuhfer. If you have questions or if you are interested in playing or coaching, contact Shannon at 703-722-6623(h) or 301-904-0963(c). [Register](#)
- **Soup Kitchen Serving Team:** Last year over 16,700 meals were served at St. Mary's Caring Soup Kitchen, a 20% increase over previous years, and it is expected to be a greater number this year. Therefore, **we are creating a more robust structure for our volunteer force**. Multiple teams of at least 4 people need to be established, preferably 6 people each. Each team would consist of (1) team leader, (1) cook, and (2-4) helpers. These teams would serve on a rotating basis, but would commit to serving one meal at least (3) times during the year. [Click here to join the Soup Kitchen Team online or contact Victor Dela Cuesta, 240-925-9599.](#)



Community Events:

- **Art of Marriage FamilyLife Seminar, May 11-12 @ Patuxent Presbyterian Church:** This seminar is offered by the FamilyLife and is a video experience designed for church and community settings. The Art of Marriage Event consists of six video sessions held on a Friday night and Saturday. These videos combine dramatic stories, real-life testimonies, expert interviews, humorous

vignettes and other teaching methods to lay out God's design for marriage in a fresh, engaging way. More details will come in the future, but [click here](#) for an overview of the Video Seminar on the FamilyLife website.

- **Michael Card's Biblical Imagination Conference and Concert, May 11-12, Fredericksburg, VA:** Respected singer, songwriter, author and Bible teacher Michael Card brings the Biblical Imagination Conference Series to New Life in Christ Church in Fredericksburg, VA on Friday, May 11th and Saturday, May 12th. The theme will be on the Gospel of Mark. For more information on the Biblical Imagination Series, go to www.biblicalimagination.com. Michael will also be presenting a **concert** at New Life in Christ Church in Fredericksburg, VA at 7:00pm on Sat., May 12th. For additional information, please contact Jonathan Allison at 540-786-4848 or at jvlallison@msn.com.
- **Southern MD Christian Women's Fellowship – Mother's Day Breakfast, 8:30am, May 12 @ Ye Olde Town Café (downtown Leonardtown):** Cornerstone's own Danice Wilson will be sharing her story. Come be fed physically, emotionally, and spiritually. \$5.00 for Continental Breakfast. (Buffet available for \$11.00) RSVP's strongly encouraged. Please reply to: somdchristianwomen@gmail.com
- **Three Oaks Center 7th Annual Cabaret, 7pm, May 12 @ Elks Lodge Banquet Hall:** This annual fund raiser for the Homeless Shelter in our community includes dinner and dancing to the music of Gretchen Richie's Jazz Cabaret. For more information [click here](#) or call 301 863-9535 x106.
- **Baby Bottle Blitz:** Help us Change Lives and Save Babies! The Care Net Pregnancy Center of Southern Maryland is having a Baby Bottle Blitz to raise funds for the Center's ministry to women and babies. Bottles will be available to families on **May 13 and May 20**, to take home and use as a bank during the month. They should be returned to the church on Father's Day, **June 17**. If you have any questions, contact [Lee Mason](#) or the Center at 301-737-4604. Thank you for your support!
- **Life Line Medical Screening Preventive Health Clinic, May 23 @ Cornerstone Church:** Cornerstone will be hosting a medical clinic for the congregation and for anyone in the community. Our main hope is that this will be a blessing to the community. More details will be available later.
 - Website: <http://www.lifelinescreening.com/>
 - Short video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8igGrkVcBc>
- **Male and Female Peer Counselors Needed at the Care Net Pregnancy Center:** We will hold training for Female Peer Counselors on **April 24, 26, May 1, 3, 8, and 10th**. We are offering morning classes at 9:30-12:30 at the Calvert Center and evening classes at 5:30-8:30 at the Lexington Park Center. The whole training takes approximately 18 hours and is split up into 6 three-hour sessions. Training for Male Peer Counselors will be **April 27** from 6 pm-9 pm and April 28 from 9 am-4 pm. For more information and to sign up, please call any of our three locations 301-475-5333, 301-737-4604 or 410 326-6866.
- **Revival 2K12 Conference, Jun 1-3, Faith Christian Fellowship, Baltimore MD:** Why does it seem so difficult for us to demonstrate unity across ethnic lines? That's the main topic at this year's Revival 2K12. We will hear, discuss, and pray about what God is doing to empower His church to put the saying "Sunday morning is the most segregated hour of the week" to rest once and for all. [Click here](#) for more information.



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- **Christian Community Development Speaker, Bob Lupton, Friday, Jun 8, 7pm @ Richmond:** Bob Lupton has invested almost 40 years of his life in inner-city Atlanta. In response to a call that he first felt while serving in Vietnam, he left a budding business career to work with delinquent urban youth. Bob and his family sold their suburban home and moved into the inner-city where they have lived and served as neighbors among those in need. His life's work has been the rebuilding of urban neighborhoods where families can flourish and children can grow into healthy adults.
 - Location: Northminster Church - Contemporary Worship Center
 - Ticket: \$10 which can be purchased at: <http://www.cdda.org/gather/event/37> Your confirmation is your ticket.
 - Website Announcement: <http://intotheneighborhood.com/2012/04/24/bob-lupton-speaks-insights-into-serving-the-city/>



“Aslan is on the move”:

This section describes how God is working in and through Cornerstone. Aslan is the Jesus figure in C.S. Lewis' classic books, The Chronicles of Narnia. When Aslan would start working to transform and redeem things in Narnia, the citizens of Narnia would whisper with reverence and joyful expectation, “Aslan is on the move...” Let's whisper this, too.

MINISTRY UPDATES:

- **TMT Amp-ing Up / Needs Mentors:** The Transformational Ministry Team (TMT) has created a partnership with St. Mary's County Department of Social Services (Intake Services). This partnership will enable TMT members to interact more deeply with the needy in our community, helping them to develop their life skills, rather than just jump from one crises to another (Budgeting skills, Parenting skills, etc.). Talk to Tim Singley or Dave Perrin to become part of this growing team, especially if you want to be a mentor.
- **TMT needs Teachers for Personal Budgeting Classes:** Our Transformational Ministry Team (TMT) is partnering with the Department of Social Services (DSS) to provide Financial Literacy classes, starting with classes on making and keeping a Personal Budget. These classes will help those from lower resourced neighborhoods and rough backgrounds to take critical steps towards stability in life. We need help developing a curriculum, then teaching the classes. You can sign up for one or the other or both. Interested? Please [click here](#) so we can discuss this with you further.
- **It's a good time to join a Ministry Team:**
 - Cornerstone's "Ministry Year" is similar to a company's "Fiscal Year" – the 12 months that define the start and end of a budget. Budgets may not sound like a lot of fun, but they are necessary for planning purposes, and Cornerstone endeavors to make the most of all of the resources that God gives to us.
 - Cornerstone's Ministry Year starts in July and ends in June. This aligns nicely with the school year, and when most ministries start and end their projects, small groups, etc.
 - We are now in preparation for starting the new Ministry Year, and the staff and ministry team leaders will be working together to define goals for next year, and the associated budgets.



- I write all this so that you know what the leadership at Cornerstone is working on right now, but more importantly, so that **if you are interested in joining a [ministry team](#), now is a good time. You will be able to help define the goals for this next year, and capture the vision of Cornerstone!** [Click here](#) if you want to join or are interested:

- **Play Group, Tuesday mornings:** Looking for a way to get to know other families in the church? Do your kids need to burn some energy playing with other kids? Then you should come to Play Group on Tuesday mornings. Right now, meeting time is Tuesday, 10-11:30am. As the weather gets hotter, the time will move up to 9:30-11am. Bringing a bag lunch or snack is always a good idea. Most of the parks have Restroom facilities or equivalent (Green, plastic, smells funny). If you would like to receive emails concerning playgroup or want to be removed from the email list please contact chipmanfamilycircus@gmail.com



- The parks with no facilities are indicated below. In the event of Rain or Severe Heat, the Play group may be cancelled.
- May 8 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
- May 15 - Anne Marie Sculpture garden
 - 13480 Dowell Road, Dowell, Maryland 20629; (410) 326 - 4640
 - Site Admission: Adults (12 & up): \$3.00; Senior Citizen (65 & older) and Children ages (5-11): \$2.00; Children (4 & under) and Annmarie Members: Free
 - If you want to bring a scooter or bike for your kid to ride the trail you can.
- May 22 - Miedzinski Park
 - Route 5 to Leonard Hall Drive, Leonardtown
- May 29 - John G. Lancaster Park
 - Willows Road, Lexington Park
- June 5 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- * June 11 Monday - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
 - Lexington Park
- June 19 - St. Clement's Shores Park
 - 22300 Meadow Lane, Leonardtown, MD 20650
 - No restrooms
- June 26 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- July 3 - Chancellor's Run Regional Park
 - Rt. 235 to Chancellors Run Rd., Great Mills
- * Monday July 9 - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
- July 17 - Dorsey Park
 - Rt. 245, Hollywood
- July 24 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
- July 31 - Miedzinski Park
 - Route 5 to Leonard Hall Drive, Leonardtown
- August 7 - TBD
- * Monday August 13 - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
- August 21 - John G. Lancaster Park





- Willows Road, Lexington Park
- August 28 - St. Clement's Shores Park
 - 22300 Meadow Lane, Leonardtown, MD 20650
 - No Restrooms
- September 4 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- September 11 - Chancellor's Run Regional Park
 - Rt. 235 to Chancellors Run Rd., Great Mills
- September 18 - Dorsey Park
 - Rt. 245, Hollywood
- September 25 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
- **Living H2O Guatemala Vision Update – “Focusing Cornerstone’s Ministry in Guatemala”:**
 - As we continue to develop our relationships in Guatemala through Children’s HopeChest, the Living H2O team has prayerfully considered, what is the best way to “Help without Hurting?” After further assessing our vision and goals for this aspect of the H2O ministry, a mission and vision trip, and session insight and guidance, **we have refined our orphan ministry in Guatemala to My Special Treasure (MST) only**, rather than supporting two orphanages.
 - In discerning how to best help without hurting both the children and leadership in MST and Nuevo Reto (NR), and our own church members, **it was determined that dividing our efforts, commitments and focus between two orphanages would more likely hurt than help both homes, and possibly hurt us. Thus, we will now focus solely on the spiritual, physical, relational, and financial needs of MST (Caesar and Carol, and the 11 girls currently there).** We know this is hard for those sponsoring children in NR, but we will phase out this relationship over several months. There were many factors which directed this decision, but **the primary factor was a vision and optimism for a relationship with MST.** Our hope is that this relationship will glorify our Lord and bring great joy and hope to a home filled with lovely young ladies needing the love of Christ.
 - **The needs at MST are great. Our goal is to increase our level of financial and relational support by adding additional families to the sponsorship program, support capitol, educational and vocational programs, and meet more medical and dental needs of the girls. Thank you for your continued support as we grow this orphan care ministry.**
Please contact H2O with questions.
- **Summer Ministry Opportunities** – God is working to provide many interlocking ministry opportunities that propel us toward our [Vision](#). There are a few opportunities for ministry this summer that we want you to know about now, so you can plan ahead and coordinate your schedules. They start in Guatemala, and end up with a pig in our back yard. Some of the details are still being ironed out, but we want you to be able to start thinking about them.
 - **Jun 21-27: Guatemala Mission Trip** to “My Special Treasure” Orphanage
 - **June-Sept** (Tentative Dates): Final preparations and moving into the **new building**.
 - **July 16-20: Back Yard Bible Clubs** – start thinking about [hosting or participating](#) in your neighborhood! These could be the start of a Neighborhood Bible Study and/or Small Group.
 - **July-Aug: Forming and Starting Missional Neighborhood Small Groups** – These will be small groups focusing on redeeming the neighborhood where YOU live. Start praying



now. These could flow from relationships formed during BYBC's. [Click here](#) if interested in participating.

- **Sept 3:** Annual **Cornerstone Pig Roast and Picnic** (Monday, Labor Day)

MISSIONARY UPDATES:

- **Prayer Prompter!!** – Do you know who are missionaries are? Do you remember to pray for our missionaries? The missions committee is committed to helping us support our missionaries through the one thing they value the most: PRAYER! Thus the “Prayer Prompter” was born! Printed on high quality photo paper, this 12”x12” collage of our missionaries is a great tool to help you pray consistently and inclusively. Put in a location near your kitchen or dinner table so you can’t miss it. Only \$3. Contact [Lisa Brandt](#) to order.



- **Richard Ramsay**

Dear friends,

We recently returned from Spain, cooperating with the MTW missionary team there. Among other things, Angelica and I spoke at the national pastors retreat of the Spanish Reformed Anglican Church, with about 30 present. We also enjoyed time with the missionaries, including a weekend retreat, and learned more about their ministry. They are working hard to reach people for Christ, but they need lots of prayer support and encouragement, since Spanish society is very secular, and sentiments toward organized churches are often negative. Only a special work of the Holy Spirit can break through these barriers.

We left discipleship books with some pastors, including one who wanted to take some back to Equatorial Guinea in Africa, where Spanish is the first official language. (I love this kind of surprise!) Please pray that these materials will bear spiritual fruit and that we can continue to help them with training resources.

Richard and Angelica

- **Tito Padilla, El Paso/Ciudad Juarez, MX:**

Dear Friend in Christ,

Proverbs 16: 1 says, "**The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.**" You have been praying for us at Las Tierras Church that God would guide and direct us in the nomination of potential elders and deacons. We did indeed have men nominated to be potential office bearers, but we didn't have a sufficient number of men who are clearly called by the Lord through his people- at least not now. So though we had planned to move ahead with becoming a particular church by early summer, God's answer to us seems to be, wait...it is still not time yet.

Will you please continue to pray that God would raise up the men to shepherd his church here at Las Tierras. Pray for me as I seek to provide further training and come alongside some of the men who want to serve, but are reluctant and fearful.

1. Land Purchase

- We still have not closed on the deal to purchase a 5 acre lot of undeveloped land which could be the home for a future building for Las Tierras. Our feasibility study revealed that we may have to dedicate a portion of the land to the City of El Paso for a right of way. In light of this the seller is considering our request to lower the price. Will you please pray that the seller would re-negotiate the sale price so that it would be just and equitable? Continue to ask the Lord to grant us wisdom and discernment in these negotiations.
- Pray particularly for our real estate agent, Steve, to act with wisdom. He has done an excellent job in representing us, something for which we are thankful to the Lord!

o 2. Easter Service

- Our worship service this past Lord's Day was well attended with a good number of visitors! The week before we distributed about 2,000 fliers/invitation in the community. Ask our Lord to cause the Gospel to bear saving fruit in their lives.
- **Pray for Hugo who visited with us.** He seems to be interested in spiritual matters, but hardly ever attends church. He usually works on Sunday at a local restaurant. Providentially, the restaurant at which he works, closed down for Easter Sunday...a first in over 25 years of business! Obviously God wanted him to hear his word this past Sunday. Pray for the Lord to open his heart to the gospel of Jesus so that he might know eternal life in Christ!

o 3. Financial Need

- Please pray that God would graciously provide the additional monthly support we need- **about \$1,450**. Although we finished well at the end of 2011, the last few months have been more challenging. We are thankful to the Lord because you have been faithful in praying and generous in your giving for many years. Join us as we ask the Lord to provide according to the riches of his grace.
- If you would like to give additional gifts or know of someone that might be interested in partnering us in this ministry, please direct any gift to Mission to the World and send to:

- Mission to the World, Box 116284, Atlanta, GA 30368-6284



- Please note Account #: 16000 on the memo line.

We are so privileged to be serving the Lord here on the border...and that honored that you would partner with us. Thanks!

Grateful in Christ, Manuel "Tito"



CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS:

- Kenny and the boyz are busy again with their backhoes and other manly dirt-moving equipment, changing the grading, putting in drains, and now preparing for the new curb on Roper Road.
- The exterior and interior of the Multi-Purpose Room is now insulated, sealed, and painted – it looks beautiful. Drywall has been put up in all the attic spaces – some of which are closed off for fire codes. The sprinkler system has been installed and tested. Electricians are very busy getting everything wired so that drywall can be put up in the classrooms. Most computer network cabling has been pulled... and there is a lot of it!
- June or July are the projected finish dates – not too far away. If you have ideas of how to use the new building to impact our community and build up our church community, please let me know. Some projects are starting to form, and planning needs to start yesterday, so don't wait.
- For those of you who have moved away from SoMD, here are some pictures from last week:



Announcements:

- **Lost and Found:** There are several items in Lost and Found. Have you lost a nice black women's raincoat, size Petite 12? How about a purple and black and white jacket? Or are your children missing any hooded sweatshirts? Perhaps a bag or two of infant clothes? And then, of course, there are umbrellas in Lost and Found. If you are missing any of these items or more, you have a very brief time to claim them before they are given away. Call Flora Woodward or Beth Baxley to claim lost items.
- **Boy Scout Troop Summer Camp, Jul 7- 14, Goshen Scout Reservation, Goshen, VA:** Please let Frank Heinsohn or Aaron Rouland know if you are interested.



Worship notes:

Hymn of the Month: "Lead On, O King Eternal"

The hymn "Lead On, O King Eternal" was written by a young graduating seminarian, Ernest W. Shurtleff, in 1887. Shurtleff was born in Boston, Massachusetts on April 4, 1862. His classmates at Andover Theological Seminary, recognizing the poetic ability of their colleague, asked him to write a hymn which they might all sing together for their commencement service. Shurtleff responded with this excellent text. At the time of his graduation he had already published two volumes of verse and throughout his later ministry wrote a number of additional hymns. This is his one hymn text, however, which has endured the passing of time.

(Excerpts taken from: <http://www.hymnalaccompanist.com/Story/story619.html>)



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Apostles' Creed, Date: 4th Century

Of Christendom's many creeds, the best known and most used are the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. Both creeds state what Christians believe to be true without explaining how they are true.

Though the apostles did not write it, the Apostles' Creed developed as a way for the early church to hand on the basic structure of biblical faith. Roman Christians used a question-and-answer form of the creed to prepare converts who wanted to be baptized and join the church.

Some words and phrases in the Apostles Creed may cause confusion to us today. The word "catholic" here denotes a universal church, or one common Church that unites all believers. Also, to say that Christ "descended into hell" doesn't speak of an actual trip to hell, but speaks of His experience on the cross and being separated from the Father. As we encourage one another with these truths, we join with Christians around the globe and throughout the ages.

Sunday Classes (9:35-10:30am):

Grades 1 – 5: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray" @ Church Office.

Inquirers Class: Led by Pastor Baxley @ Church Office in Pastor Nilsson's Office.

Explores who we are as a church, what we believe, and why we do what we do. Visitors may join in any week.

Middle School, High School, and Adults: Biblical Apologetics @ Sanctuary

Pastor Chipman is teaching a class on basic biblical apologetics, which is the study of defending one's faith. The class will largely be in a discussion format, starting by building up a basic biblical foundation, then teaching a few approaches to defending it. Pastor Chipman will primarily be teaching from the book, "Every Thought Captive," by Richard Pratt.



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MINISTRY PLAN FOR CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Purpose and Vision

At Cornerstone, our purpose is to glorify and enjoy God by growing a loving body of faithful disciples that is reaching Southern Maryland and the world for Christ.

Mission

We accomplish our vision by:

- Worshipping the triune God
- Growing a loving body
- Multiplying mature and equipped disciples
- Reaching Southern Maryland and world for Jesus Christ
- Leading others in Christ's kingdom

Core Values

As a church of Jesus Christ, we are a:

- **Gospel-centered.** The gospel, as revealed in God's Word, is the center of who we are and all that we do. It is the truth that through faith in Jesus Christ alone, all of our guilt, shame and unrighteousness is removed and replaced with all of Jesus' beauty and righteousness. Growth in the Christian life occurs the same way that it began: through believing the gospel.
- **Prayer-inspired.** Prayer is essential to the life of a Christian and to the life of a church. Through prayer we commune with God, express our need and dependence upon, align ourselves with God's work, and become empowered by God's Spirit.
- **Kingdom-driven.** God's kingdom has entered history in the person of Jesus Christ to renew the whole world and reconcile all things to himself. The church is God's principle instrument of making the fullness of his coming kingdom a present reality.
- **Incarnate.** God incarnated himself in the person of Jesus so that the world could be reconciled to God and one another. As a church we model the incarnation in manifesting the love and truth of Jesus Christ to Southern Maryland and wherever we serve.
- **Authentic community.** This is a community where Jesus Christ is experienced in his presence and power, where lives are transformed by the gospel through mutual ministry. In gospel-centered community, people come to know and experience his presence in a way that cannot happen individually. This is a community where it is safe to be broken without fear of condemnation, where there is gospel inspired transparency and accountability, and where there is a fertile context for the Holy Spirit to transform lives.

Our Denomination

Cornerstone is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America, an evangelical and Reformed denomination committed to the Lordship of Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Our Firm Foundation

Our beliefs are founded on the authoritative Word of God and are expressed in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms. These ancient truths, articulated in the 16th century Reformation, continue to transform lives today.



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OUR OFFICE STAFF

- Senior Pastor Walter Nilsson
- Pastor Emeritus Terry Baxley
- Pastor for Youth and Family Mike Chipman
- Director of Ministry Development Dave Perrin
- Biblical Counselor Tom Thompson
- Treasurer Paul Mitchel
- Accountant Joan Heinsohn
- Secretary Vicky Travis



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OUR SESSION

- Walter Nilsson, Session Moderator
- Pat Shields, Clerk of Session
- Rich Buckingham
- Carl Fahrner
- Doug Leepa
- Chad Reed
- Chris White

OUR DEACONS

- Scott Hoffman, Chairman
- Dave Eby
- Jonathan Griffith
- Tim Singley

SMALL GROUPS, WINTER-SPRING 2012

- Walt Nilsson, Church, **Sonship**. Sun., 6-8pm
- Terry Baxley, where TBD, Wed. 6-7:30 pm, **Reformed Faith Study**
- Terry Baxley, Wildewood/various homes, Sun. eve's., **Book of Daniel**
- Chad Reed, Lex. Pk./St. James, Fri. 7-8:30 pm, "**Broken Down House: Living Productively in a World Gone Bad**" (Paul Tripp)
- Sandy Black/Frank Heinsohn, Park Hall (Letcher's), Fri. 7pm, **Pastoral Letters of Paul**
- Bill Smith, Lex. Pk./Esperanza (Smith's), Sun. 6-7:30 pm, Food/Fellow-ship/Bible Study/Outreach
- Gerry Murphy, Hollywood (Prucha's), Wed. 7-8:30 pm., **Before Abraham (John MacArthur)**
- Steve Brandt/Adam Scott, Hollywood, Tues. eve's., OCF, **1 Peter/2 Peter**
- Greg Landis, Great Mills (Landis'), Wed. 6:30-8 pm, **Portrait of a Struggle** (by Paul Tripp).
- Don Hill, St. George Island, Thurs. 6:30 pm, Discussion-oriented Bible Study geared to those with Roman Catholic backgrounds
- Mike Chipman, Church, Monthly, Sun. before Youth Group, **Youth Ministry Team**--how to better minister to our youth



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MINISTRIES

Reaching Southern Maryland through Deeds:

Transformational Ministries Team (TMT) Tim Singley 301 863 4504

English as a Second Language (ESL)	Sarah Black	240 237 8400
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Three Oaks Homeless Shelter	Walt Nilsson	301 862 5016
WARM	Tony Bowie	301 848 1088
Living Hope 2 Orphans (H2O)	Steve Brandt	301 475 8420
Foster Care/Adoptive Support	Dave Perrin	301 373 0207
HOPE of Southern MD	Dave Eby	301 994 9660
Christmas in April	Wil Ridley	301 863 9103
Pregnancy Care Center	Lee Mason	301 863 2606

Reaching Southern Maryland, Potomac Presbytery, and the World

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Multiplying Mature & Equipped Disciples

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Men's Discipleship Ministries	Rich Buckingham	301 994 1951
Women's Ministry Team (WMT)	Holly Nilsson	240 431 9235
Youth Ministry Team	Mike Chipman	301 862 5016
Children Ministry Team	Mike Chipman	301 862 5016
Children's Sunday School	Beth Baxley	301 737 1920

Growing a Loving Body

Visitor Hospitality	Heather Harris	240 237 8223
Team Connect	Frank and Joan Heinsohn	240 237 8542
Congregational Care / Meals:		
New Moms	Barb Buckingham	301 994 1951
Sick	Sue Dugan	301 373-5566
Prayer Chain	Sue Singley	301 863 4504

Worshiping the Triune God

Director of Music Ministry	Kristin Ashby	301 862 4384
Worship Service Operations	Dave Perrin	301 373 0207
Communion Coordinator	Julie Woods	240 538 8360
Beautification Team	Flora Woodward	301 373 6951
Sunday Refreshments/Fellowship	Lucy Stevenson	301 862 2660
Greeter Ministry	Gretchen Thomas	240 434 6165
Nursery Coordinator	Emily Chipman	240 237 8097

Master Plan / Building Committee

Facilities Scott Hoffman 301 862 1603
Jonathan Griffith 240 925 9192



MISSIONARIES

These are the missionaries that we support as a church. Please pray for them, contact them, and let them know you are thinking about them.

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Roberta Brown

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Asia Church Planters (Information removed for their protection – pray more for them!)



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Resources:

Prayer Chain:

Send prayer requests to prayer@cornerstonepca.org

Biblical Counseling:

Tom & Mary Thompson Email or (443) 994-2778

Sermon Audio Files:

<http://www.cornerstonepca.org/resources/index.html>

iTunes link podcast:

<itpc://sermon.net/cornerstonepcasomd/rss/>

Website:

<http://www.cornerstonepca.org/>

Cornerstone Update Blog:

<http://cornerstonepca.blogspot.com/>

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