

Summary at the "TOP":

Top 5:

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YOUTH GROUP – WELCOME TO THE DRIVEWAY!

There will be Youth Group today and tomorrow, 6pm, July 8 (HS) and 6:30pm, July 9 (MS). Dagan will lead with a ropes course game, food, and studying the first part of John. Come get to know the new guy!

[Details...](#)

2

BACK YARD BIBLE CLUBS – SIGN UP AND BRING FRIENDS

Register online now, and invite your friends and neighbors. This is a great opportunity to get out into your community! **Snacks and Prayers still needed.**

[Details...](#)

3

JOIN OUR "LAID BACK" SUMMER COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Join us Thursdays from 12-1:30pm at Carver Elementary School as we share a meal and hang out with members of the community at the Lunch & Learn program. **Activities for kids provided!**

[Details...](#)

4

KIDS ARE IMPORTANT AT CORNERSTONE!

Cornerstone values our ministry to children. With more kids becoming involved, we are hiring a part time Children Ministry Director. **Contact Dave Perrin if interested in this role.**

[Details...](#)

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CORNERSTONE OFFICERS...:

It is that time of year to nominate those you think should be Elders or Deacons. Online or paper forms available. Also, elections for new Elders and Deacons will be taking place soon. 2 Elders are taking sabbaticals – read more in the Connection.

[Details...](#)

Calendar Events:

July 6

River Concert, evening @ St. Mary's College of Maryland | [Details](#)

July 7-14

Boy Scout Troop Summer Camp @ Goshen Scout Reservation, Goshen, VA | [Details](#)

July 9

Softball Game, "A" Division, 8:15pm @ Chancellor's Run Field 2 | [Details](#)

July 10

Play Group, 9:30-11:00am @ Spray ground at Nicolet Park | [Details](#)

July 10

Lunch & Learn, 11-12:30 @ Lexington Park Elementary School | [Details](#) | [Interested](#)

July 12

Lunch & Learn, 12-1:30pm @ Carver Elementary School | [Details](#) | [Interested](#)

July 12

Softball Game, "B" Division, 8:15pm @ Chancellor's Run Field 4 | [Details](#)

July 13

River Concert, evening @ St. Mary's College of Maryland | [Details](#)

July 15

Philippine Mission Trip Report, 9:30-10:30 @ Sanctuary during Sunday School

July 16-20

Back Yard Bible Clubs | [Details](#) | [Volunteer](#) | [Register](#)

July 16

Softball Game, "A" Division, 8:15pm @ Chancellor's Run Field 2 | [Details](#)

July 17

Play Group, 9:30-11:00am @ Dorsey Park | [Details](#)

July 19

Softball Game, "B" Division, 8:15pm @ Chancellor's Run Field 2 | [Details](#)

July 22

Guatemala Mission Trip Report, 9:30-10:30 @ Sanctuary during Sunday School

July 22

After-church Picnic, 12:30 @ Cornerstone Picnic Area

July 26

All-Ministry Team Leader Meeting, 7pm @ TBD

July-Aug

Forming and Starting Missional Neighborhood Small Groups | [Interested?](#)

July-Aug

Final preparations and moving into the new building (coming soon!)

Aug 2

Ice Cream Social after 6:15pm Softball Game @ Chancellor's Run Field 2 | [Details](#)

Aug 11

Women's Ministry Team Annual Planning Meeting, 8-11:30am @ TBD

Aug 19

Youth Group Kickoff @ Solomons MWR Annex – Big Pavilion

Aug 26 am

Promotion Sunday & Ministry Team Fair

Aug 26 pm

Grand-Opening-House for the new building!



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Sign Up For:

Summer Lunch & Learn Community Outreach program? | [Details](#) | [Ask On-line](#)

Soup Kitchen Serving Team: Victor Dela Cuesta, 240-925-9599. | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)

Budgeting Class – Teach and/or develop curriculum: Dave Perrin, 301 373-0207 | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)

Ministry Teams – Join now as goals are being developed for the next year | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)

CCT Homeschool Registration: | [Details](#) | [Register](#)

Back Yard Bible Club Registration: | [Register](#)

Recurring Activities:

High School Youth Group, Sundays, 6-7:30pm, @ Church Office

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)

Missions Prayer Time, 3rd Thursdays, 7pm, @ Church Office

Biblical Counseling, Fridays by appointment, Tom & Mary Thompson, [Email](#) or (443) 994-2778

Community Events:

Question of the Week

River Concert Series and Picnic at St. Mary's College

“Aslan is on the Move”:

[Ministry Updates:](#) **Prayer Ministry Team is Born!** | **Summer Lunch & Learn with the Community** |

BYBC Helpers needed | New Nursery Ministry Team Leader | New Summer Small Group Starting

[Missionary Updates:](#) Tito Prayer Requests | Jonah Prayer Request

[Construction Progress:](#) Online Picture Gallery of Paint colors...

Announcements

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

[Play Group Schedule](#)

[Softball Teams Schedules](#)

Worship Notes:

Sermon Related Material - [Click here](#) to get the 3 Trees Diagram and 8 Questions handout...

Hymn of the Month

Processional

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: "Helping Without Hurting" – Poverty Alleviation

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:

1. **Youth Group – Welcome to the Driveway!** Here is a message from Dagan, your new Youth Ministry Director:

Dear Youth and Families,

Welcome to the driveway! We all start here before we open the front door, and it is a good way to think of our upcoming youth meetings this Sunday and Monday (8th/9th). We will get to know one another, go through a low ropes course, share some food, and study the beginning of John's gospel. I plan to use a small ropes course as this week's activity during Youth Group.

Ropes courses are challenges involving ropes and obstacles (including flowing lava) designed to put you in a situation of conflict and tension, with the goal of solving the challenge and learning how to work together as a group. Can anyone say, "bonding and good communication"?!

See you at Youth Group!

2. **Back Yard Bible Clubs – Final Preparations:** Backyard Bible Clubs are starting soon! All children, ages 4-11, are invited to attend a club to learn about "The Call of God." Clubs will take place July 16-20 at the following locations:

- Nicole Baller's (behind Giant) 9:30-11:00
- Margie Leepa's (Hollywood) 2:00-3:30
- Erin Rouland's (Lexington Park) 2:00-3:30
- Toni Mason's (Wildewood) 10:15-11:45.

Sign up online or in person that week. Invite your friends for a great time of songs, crafts, lessons, and games. [Click here.](#)

Clubs are in need of snack items listed on the chart in the foyer.

Drop items off in the foyer this Sunday, July 8, and next Sunday, July 15.

Please lift this ministry up in prayer as volunteers prepare their lessons and invite the children. A prayer calendar will be forthcoming.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: <http://www.cornerstonepca.org/forms/view/8280>

3. **Community Outreach with Lunch & Learn Program – Here is an update:** This was the 3rd week of L&L. ([Click here](#) for details of the program.) Cornerstone members have attended the Thursday session at Carver Elementary School each week. We have met many wonderful people from our community.

Sherri Wolf taught her first workshop today on Parenting. There were about 8 parents that attended – more than I thought would attend. Sherri did a great job and all students were very engaged. There were quite a few that are interested in attending a full-length class if we offer it in the fall at Cornerstone. It is very encouraging to see these parents' desire to learn more!

Our relationship with the Judy Center is deepening, as one of the directors was asking about partnering with us for a fall Parenting class. The Department of Social Services has already inquired about a Parenting class in the fall. God's Kingdom is coming to Southern MD, as both families and other organizations are being redeemed!

Thanks for your support and prayers. I really encourage anyone, including Ministry Teams or Small Groups to just come and hang out Thursdays from 12-1:30 at Carver ES. There is **free lunch and programs for the kids**. (Parents can bring a sack lunch or pay \$3.50 for a cafeteria lunch... with chocolate milk!) This has to be one of the easiest ways to minister to our community – just sit and eat and talk with parents about kids or any other topics of interest. If you are interested, please contact Dave Perrin or Sherri Wolf, or [click here](#).



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4. **Kids Are Important At Cornerstone – Hiring a Children's Ministry Team Director:** As the staff and elders were reviewing the priorities and goals of Cornerstone during the budget development for the new ministry year, we realized that children are a very high priority for us. And we have a LOT of kids – about one third of our congregation is children. We highly value the development of our kids, and would like to see our outreach ministries to kids in the community expand. In order to grow and refine the entire ministry, we felt God's call to hire someone to dedicate time specifically toward this ministry. Therefore we are currently looking for someone to join our staff as the Children's Ministry Team Director. This *part time* position would be responsible for the development of effective and children's ministries that will attract and disciple children age 0-10 (grade 5) in support of Cornerstone's ministry plan. If you are interested in applying for this position, contact [Dave Perrin](#).

5. **Cornerstone Officer Elections, Nominations, and Sabbaticals:** It is that time of year to **nominate** those you think should be Elders or Deacons. Online or paper forms available. [Click here](#).

Elections for new Elders and Deacons will be taking place soon. Frank Heinsohn is an elder candidate, and Victor Dela Cuesta is a Deacon candidate. Please be in prayer for wisdom, and also for these candidates as they prepare for service.

2 Elders are taking **sabbaticals** this year – Doug Leepa and Chris White. Below is a letter from Doug. Chris' letter will be in the next Connection.

Dear Cornerstone Family,

When Walt asked me a few months ago to consider whether or not I felt called to stand for reelection for a fifth consecutive term I truly thought I'd only been serving as an active ruling elder for nine years. Turns out it has actually been twelve. Somewhere since the summer of 2000 I lost three years. After much prayer and reflection I have determined that it is time for me to take a sabbatical and go find them.

While some people have grand plans for what they want to accomplish during a sabbatical, I don't. For me, it is simply a time of rest from 12 years of late night session meetings, annual and sometimes semi-annual session retreats, counseling those in need, shepherding the flock, and the continuous flow of interactive elder dialog. I intend to use that extra time to instead do a few more creative, and for me rejuvenating, things like writing more music, writing down some stories of how I have seen God working in my life and the lives of those around me, and maybe spending a few free moments going through 12 years of unprinted digital pictures with my wife, reminding ourselves of God's blessings throughout our lives and his faithfulness through many trials and tribulations. I may even take her on a date.

Don't think you won't see me. I am not walking away from ministry, just temporarily from the sometimes weighty burden of officially leading in ministry. I take as my example in this case my dear friend and brother, Carl Fahrner, who not too long ago completed a sabbatical after years of continual service and returned with an increased zeal and



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compassion for the church. It is my hope that this time of rest will likewise reinvigorate and prepare me to next year actively resume the role to which I believe I am still called. In the meantime, you should still be able to find me behind the piano and filling in here and there for other elders in a pinch.

Now, let's turn our attention to you. What are you doing for God's kingdom? Are you ready to step up your participation in ministry? I very much appreciate Walt's continual reminders that we need the gospel every day. Just working hard does not save us and working harder does not save us more. But as we rely on the truth of the gospel, scripture is clear that expressing our faith through works is something we are called to do. Take a moment right now to read James 2:14-26... In this passage God reminds us that while works without faith is dead, so is a faith that is not evidenced by works. If we say we are Christians and are not somehow actively engaged in ministry in His name, where is the evidence that affirms our proclamation? Even the thief on the cross exercised his faith by actively and publicly proclaiming the gospel to a doubting and dying world (Luke 23:39-43). What are you doing for God's kingdom?

As I step away for a season of rest, the Session will be down one ruling elder, maybe two for a time. In a few weeks we will open the doors to an amazing ministry center the likes of which Cornerstone has never had before. We have one senior pastor on staff, a director of ministry development, and a fresh-out-of-seminary youth pastor. These are not the people responsible for doing ministry at Cornerstone. They are the people responsible for equipping YOU to do ministry. If you have been reticent to step in, or take on some higher profile tasking, now is the time to step up. Show your faith by your works. Get involved. Your brothers and sisters in Christ need you to lead, and a world dead in its sin needs you to serve.

By His grace,

- Doug

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Sign-Up for:

- **Back Yard Bible Club Registration:** <http://www.cornerstonepca.org/forms/view/8280>
- **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 their website: www.californiachristiantutorial.org
- **Cornerstone Softball** – Softball season has started. This year, Cornerstone fielded two teams – an A-league (competitive) and a B-league (semi-competitive) team. The A-team is managed by Shannon Nuhfer. If you have questions or if you are interested in playing, 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.



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Community Events:

- **Question of the Week:** If you could only eat three foods for the rest of your life, what would they be? Why?
- **River Concert Series and Picnic:** The River Concert Series has started again, and will continue each Friday evening thru July 27. The concert time is later this year – **8-10pm**. But there are many that just enjoy the picnic environment – kids playing on beautiful grass fields, lawn chairs and picnic blankets spread in clusters, and much chatting and fellowship and eating going on. **Picnicking can begin as early as 6pm.** Look for a group of Cornerstoners near the hill to the side of the stage. Contact [Dave Perrin](#) if you have questions.
 - **For more info, access the website:** <http://www.smcm.edu/riverconcert/info.html>



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“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:

- **Summer Lunch & Learn Outreach Opportunity, Jun 18 – Aug 9:** Have you wondered how you and your family could minister together to work with the “poor” in our community? God might be providing that opportunity for you. How?

The Judy Center and St. Mary’s DSS are running a summer program called “Lunch and Learn”. The goal is to alleviate hunger AND encourage learning throughout the summer for children of low income families. **Lunch will be served free** for all kids 18 and below, and then educational activities/games will be provided. **There are two schools used for the program: Lexington Park Elementary (11am-12:30pm) and G.W. Carver Elementary (12-1:30pm).**

The parents of the children in the program usually just sit around outside the schools, waiting for their kids to finish so they can go home.

St. Mary’s DSS and the Judy Center have **invited Cornerstone to participate** directly with the program via volunteers that will work with the kids. But they are also aware of our TMT ministry’s efforts to provide development training to lower-resourced families in our community, and have **asked us to provide classes for the parents** of the children in the Lunch & Learn program. **Some of us attended this week, and discovered that Tuesdays at Lexington Park ES and Thursdays at Carver ES will be the best days for us to meet parents.** **Sherri Wolf will be teaching a Parenting class on Thursdays at Carver ES.**

How can you get involved? There are 4 ways:

1. Your **kids** can participate in the program (lunch and activities/games), providing good role models and friendship to other kids in the program.
2. The Cornerstone TMT members are planning to hold a forum with the parents to find out their felt needs, and what classes might be helpful. **Cornerstone teachers will then provide classes to those parents** who would like training in budgeting/financial literacy and/or parenting.
3. **Cornerstone adults can simply befriend the parents.** Material poverty is many times accompanied by relational poverty. Just providing a listening ear can show that you care and can be a big encouragement for those in poverty.
4. If you would like to work with the kids, you can **volunteer** to work directly in the program.



Cornerstone TMT has been looking for an opportunity where low income families gather, and this program is creating that opportunity. This is our first year, so it will be a learning year and we will need to be flexible. But even if we start to create relationships and can start to teach some classes, those relationships and classes can continue, and could possibly develop into mentoring relationships. **If you are interested** in learning more about this, please [click here](#) and let us know what you are thinking.

- **Prayer Ministry Team is born!** Today the Prayer MT is having its kickoff meeting, starting the planning process for this next year. Here is part of the charter document that defines the PMT. Rich Buckingham is leading the PMT, with Rodney Register as his assistant. If you are interested in being part of the team, contact either of them.



- **The PMT's Mission / Purpose Statement:** The Prayer Ministry Team (PMT) purpose is to educate, encourage and enable all Cornerstone members to bring glory to God through communion with and humble dependence upon Him in prayer for the furtherance of His Kingdom in every aspect of life (individually and corporately) and ministry.
- **The PMT's Vision / Desired Outcomes are that:**
 - The lives of Cornerstone members grow as a loving body of faithful, prayerful disciples whose first reaction to situations and challenges in our earthly journey is prayer.
 - Cornerstone members reflect Christ's character to Southern Maryland and the world through consistent, humble prayer, individually and corporately.
 - Cornerstone members are known as a people and church that commune with God and are empowered by God's Spirit.
 - Humble, vibrant prayer is cultivated in the lives of the body of Cornerstone toward the goal of enjoying our fellowship with God in all of His glory and to seek first His kingdom.

- **Nursery Ministry Team** – Congrats and thank you to **Elizabeth Buckingham**, who is our new Nursery Ministry Team Leader. We will be adding a few members to that team to help as we move into the new building – decorations, new toys, supplies, and security. If you would like to be part of this team, please contact Elizabeth.

- Elizabeth will probably be moving in January (Navy orders), so if you are interested in leading this ministry, now is a good time to work with Elizabeth and learn the ropes.

- **New Summer Small Group Starting:** Here is a **message from Chad Reed:**

In one week we will start a new study for the summer. We will go thru **Tim Keller's book, "The Reason for God"**. We will meet at the same time we do now on Fridays. We can make a group order of books if folks want them and tell us soon. Here is a sound bite:

"Keller uses literature, philosophy, real-life conversations, and reasoning to explain how faith in a Christian God is a soundly rational belief, held by thoughtful people of intellectual integrity with a deep compassion for those who truly want to know the truth."

For those who have been in our small group recently, wanted you to know we already switched the book on ya.....

For those we've been in small groups with in the past, simply wanted you to know what we are doing over the summer -- we'd love to have you join us!

In Christ, Chad (301-247-0022)



MISSIONARY UPDATES:

- From Jonah:



Dear Friends,

This morning we received a call from our son-in law, informing us that Sarah our daughter is admitted into a local hospital in Knoxville, TN. She has been diagnosed with Fibromyalgia and has been kept in hospital to be observed. Along with other problems this latest diagnoses is not good since it is a disease that affects the central nervous system and causes constant severe body pain. She has a six and half year old son, who is pretty sad to see his mother in constant pain. We are deeply concerned for our daughter's health for quite some time now.

As you can understand the distance of thousands of miles between us and our children is very painful for us. At times like these, we wish we will have wings to fly away at once to be with our children. We do know that our children miss us and sometimes, especially Sarah suffers from. Loneliness is the first thing which God's eye named not good.

We are not sure if we should go to the States and be with our daughter at this point. Please pray for clear directions for us. Pray for healing touch of the Lord and His comfort during this time. Pray for the doctors that the Lord will use their medical wisdom to bring relief for Sarah as she is suffering much pain.

We thank you for taking time to join us in prayer for our daughter and for our family at this time. We do believe that inside the will of God there is no failure. We want to be obedient to His will knowing well that in doing His will we find our peace.

With much appreciation,
Jonah & Jennifer

Brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord
may speed ahead and be honored... 2 Thessalonians 3:1

frontiers
With love and respect,
meeting all Muslim
peoples to follow
Allah.

Jonah & Jennifer
Evangelism in the Middle East

My Special Treasure Orphanage
in Chimaltenango, Guatemala

Richard & Angelica Ramsay MTW
Theological Training in Latin America

Chris Garriott with
Reformed University Fellowship
University of Maryland, College Park

Esrael & Jill Seyum with
InterVarsity Fellowship
St. Mary's College, Maryland

Roberta Brown
MTW Church Planting in
Chiba (city/state), Japan with the
Oyuminō (town) Christ Church

Cheryl Crocker
MTW Global Medical
Missions Teams

Eric & Annette Phillips
City Wide Redeemer
Las Vegas, Nevada

Tito & Kim Padilla
MTW Border Evangelism
Juarez, Mexico/ El Paso, TX



CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS:

- Most of the trim around the interior of the windows and the interior doors is complete. They started painting the walls this week!! It's starting to look finished.
- **Check out pictures at this on-line gallery:**
<http://www.dropbox.com/gallery/46799993/1/Cornerstone%20Interior%20Pictures?h=e50ddc>
- We are expecting construction to be complete near the beginning of August. At that point, we will be able to start decorating and organizing classrooms, moving equipment out of the pink trailer, ... and dare I say it? We may see the pink trailer leave Cornerstone forever.... Wow. Or maybe that's my next office space... Anyway, please reserve some time in August to join us as we move into our new spaces and prepare for the Grand Opening on August 26th!



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Announcements:



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- **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.
- **Softball Games and Ice Cream Social:** The softball season is underway, and Cornerstone again has a strong team. Actually, we have 2 teams that play – one in the “A” division, and one in the “B” division. Bring the family and come out and support the team. All games are at the Chancellor’s Run Sports Complex. The schedule is below. There will be an Ice Cream Social on Aug 2nd after the 6pm game.
 - **“A” Division – All games start at 8:15 on Mondays on Field 2:**
 - July 9, 16, 23, 30
 - Aug 6, 13
 - **“B” Division – All games start at 8:15 except Aug 2nd:**
 - July 12, 19, 26
 - August 2 at 6:15pm (Ice Cream Social after the game)
 - August 7 at 8:15pm
- **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. **Meeting time is 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 Sherri Wolf.
 - The parks with no facilities are indicated below. In the event of Rain or Severe Heat, the Play group may be cancelled.
 - * July 9 Monday - 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
 - * August 13 Monday - 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



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- 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



Worship notes:

Hymn of the Month: "God of Our Fathers"

Daniel C. Roberts, the 35 year-old rector of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, a small rural church in Brandon, Vermont, wanted a new hymn for his congregation to celebrate the American Centennial in 1876. He wrote "God of Our Fathers" and his congregation sang it to the tune RUSSIAN HYMN. In 1892, he anonymously sent the hymn to the General Convention for consideration by the commission formed to revise the Episcopal hymnal. If approved, he promised to send his name. The commission approved it, printing it anonymously in its report. Rev. Dr. Tucker, who was the editor of the Hymnal, and George W. Warren, an organist in New York City, were commissioned to choose a hymn for the celebration of the centennial of the United States Constitution. They chose this text and Warren wrote a new tune for it, [NATIONAL HYMN](#), including the trumpet fanfare at the beginning of the hymn.

It was first published in Tucker's Hymnal, 1892, with this tune, then in 1894 in the Tucker and Rosseau's Hymnal Revised and Enlarged. These lyrics were also set to the hymn tune PRO PATRIA in Charles Hutchins' The Church Hymnal. But NATIONAL HYMN prevailed and it is the tune to which "God of Our Fathers" is always sung today.

Taken from: <http://songsandhymns.org/hymns/detail/god-of-our-fathers>

Profession of Faith – Belgic Confession, Article I

The Belgic Confession was originally composed in 1561 by Guido de Bres for the churches in Flanders and the Netherlands and was adopted by a Reformed Synod at Emden, in 1571. The Belgic Confession is a doctrinal standard document to which many of the Reformed churches subscribe. It is considered one of the "Three Forms of Unity", which also include the Canons of Dordt and the Heidelberg Catechism.

There are 37 articles in this confession.

Article I of the Belgic Confession is titled, "There Is Only One God".

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: Intro to Helping Without Hurting / Poverty Alliviation @ Sanctuary

Why should we be helping the least and the lost, and how should we be doing it.

Here is the tentative schedule for the Sanctuary class for the summer:

July 1-22:	Intro to Helping Without Hurting – Dave Perrin, Brian Baller, Steve Brandt
Jul 29 - Aug 19:	Intro to Islam – Rich Prevatt
Aug 26:	Promotion Sunday and Grand Opening of the new building



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
- Director of Youth Dagan Mayfield
- 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

- 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, "**The Reason for God**" (Tim Keller)
- 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
- Dagan Mayfield, 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:

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WARM	Tony Bowie	301 848 1088
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Foster Care/Adoptive Support	Dave Perrin	301 373 0207
HOPE of Southern MD	Dave Eby	301 994 9660
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Prayer Chain	Sue Singley	301 863 4504

Worshiping the Triune God

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Nursery Coordinator	Emily Chipman	240 237 8097

Master Plan / Building Committee

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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/>

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