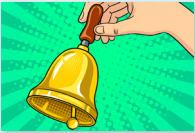


IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION



OUR ADVENT MESSAGE SERIES

What do you think of when you hear the word ADVENT? For most of us, it usually takes us back to memories of unwrapping and devouring small pieces of chocolate as we count down the days until Christmas. The season of ADVENT is that, but it is also so much more. It is the longing for a Savior to bring us his HOPE, PEACE, JOY, and LOVE. It is the need for the Kingdom of God to be present in our lives both now, and in whatever the future brings. Together, as a church family we will explore the HOPE, PEACE, JOY, and LOVE that Jesus has for us and we will pursue His presence through this ADVENT season. We wholly believe God has so much to reveal to us and wants to use ADVENT to draw us closer to Him! Join us November 28 through December 20 for our Advent sermon series.



CHILDREN'S BELL CHOIR

The five-year-old and kindergarten Bell Choir will perform during services in the Sanctuary on the weekend of **December 12 & 13**. Register your child on the tear-off or on the Fun events page at www.CornerstoneKidsLive.net by December 1.



CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Would you like to encourage families going through economic challenges during the Christmas season? Join us **Saturday, December 19** as we hand out gifts and distribute food baskets. See the list of opportunities to serve and sign-up on the tear-off form. Contact Pastor Mark Thomas for more information at 724-733-0070, x217.



CHRISTMAS EVE AT CORNERSTONE

Join us for a special family celebration of Christmas Eve at Cornerstone, Sunday, Dec 20 at 5 p.m., Wednesday, Dec 23 at 5 & 7 p.m., and Thursday, Dec 24 at 1, 3 & 5 p.m.



NEW ELECTRONIC GIVING PROCESS

The church has changed our database and giving systems, and your access point for your account needs to be updated. You may have bookmarked the former log in screen, and you will need to update your bookmark to the new site address. The former site and mobile app will be shut off soon. You can find the new giving area on the church website (cornerstonelive.net), then click on the 'Giving' tab. You have the option to give as a guest, or log into your account. Your account information, User ID, password and payment methods have moved to the new system. If you encounter issues logging into your account, there is a "Forgot Password" for a reset. There are links for both Apple and Google Play stores at the bottom of that same screen for the mobile app. If you have any questions about this process, please don't hesitate to contact Mary Risbon at mrison@cornerstonelive.net.

Hope for the Holidays

Series: The Advent of Christmas

Week: 1

November 28 & 29, 2020

Advent is a time when we look at the coming of Jesus Christ in humility as a baby and anticipate His future coming as King.

What is biblical hope?

The confident expectation that God is willing and able to fulfill the promises He has made to those who trust in Him.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you. (1 Peter 1:3-4 NASB)

I. Hope is about a promise

(Isaiah 9:6-7 NLT)

II. Hope is about a person

Two important areas where we can draw hope from Jesus:

1. We are absolved (forgiven) of our past

(Lamentations 3:21-23 NIV, 2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT, 1 John 1:9 NLT)

2. We have the confidence for better days

(Titus 2:13 NLT, Hebrews 11:13-16 NLT)

III. Hope is about risk

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Today's Speaker: Mark Thomas, Discipleship & Outreach Pastor

All scriptures, unless otherwise noted, are English Standard Version (ESV).

Messages can be watched online at www.cornerstonelive.net.

GET CONNECTED

FAMILY MINISTRY

Here at Cornerstone, we offer something for kids of all ages when we meet on Saturdays and Sundays. Our Cornerstone Kidz (birth – grade 5) can enjoy fun, safe, Bible-based, and kids'-style classes and activities in our brightly colored Children's Ministry Wing. All children should report to the elementary wing for their weekend classes. Parents - don't forget to head to the registration desk to receive your child's labels and security tag before going to their classroom. Need help figuring out where to go? Just ask!

Students grades 6–12 can catch the shuttle down to The Warehouse! Our Middle School and High School Ministry strives to provide a fun, high-energy, relevant, and Bible-centered environment where our students can grow and mature in their faith. Student Ministries meets during all weekend services at The Warehouse and features worship, teaching, age/gender-based small groups, and much more. The Warehouse is located across the street on Boyd Road.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We meet on Wednesday nights (7 - 8:15 p.m.), but not for worship services like we do on the weekends. For adults, we offer academic-level Academy classes that run for six consecutive weeks. Topics range from basic Bible truths to emotional wholeness; from in-depth Bible study to practical parenting or financial assistance. We also offer kids' and students' programs (birth - grade 12) for fun, friendship, learning, and growth. All Wednesday night programs require registration and meet during the school year from September – May.

PRAYER

We're here to care for you. If you need prayer or encouragement, please don't hesitate to give us a call or stop by the Prayer Room after any service. Contact: Pastor Mark Pastoria at mpastoria@cornerstonelive.net

MEN & WOMEN

Interested in growth opportunities at Cornerstone? Looking to get involved with a weekly ladies' Bible study, a men's breakfast group, a small group, or a young adult night out? Cornerstone has something just for you. If you're looking for additional information about these and other opportunities, please contact Pastor of Discipleship/Outreach, Mark Thomas, at mthomas@cornerstonelive.net.

QUESTIONS?

If you have additional questions or would like more information about Cornerstone Ministries, please stop by our Welcome Center in the Lobby, call us at 724.733.0070, or email us at info@cornerstonelive.net. Someone would be happy to assist you. We hope to see you again soon!

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