



WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/29/24

SUNDAY SERVICE • 9:30 a.m.

TODAY

Nursery is available during the service.

All are invited to join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the service.

Sunday School classes resume January 12.

Youth Group will not meet today.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

*Welcome to Our World
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Ere zij God (Glory to God)*

Joyce Boender, Organ

OPENING AND GREETING

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Brent Pierson

*God's Greeting

*Call to Worship

"Prince of Peace"

Responsive Reading

PRAISE TO GOD

*Sing

*Let's Worship and Adore Him
Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Hymn #247:1-2

Hymn #258:1-3

Children's Message

Bev De Vries

*Sing

Away in a Manger

Hymn #261:1-3

Song

Manger Throne

Worship Team

Congregational Prayer

GOD'S WORD

Holy Scripture

Isaiah 9:1-7

Jon Van Haften

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Sermon

"The Son Given to Us"

Dave Stevenson

Prayer

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Sing *As the Old Year Passes / *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* – Hymn #686:1, 4, 6

*Blessing

*Sing

As the Old Year Passes

*Offering, as you leave

Bible League International

*Postlude

* = Please stand, if able.

December 29, 2024 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

WELCOME TO VISITORS! If we may reach out to you and you would like to know more about Cornerstone, please fill out a card found in the seatbacks, and put it in the offering plate as you leave.

OFFERINGS: January 5: Cornerstone General Fund; January 12: Rehoboth Christian School; January 19: Hope Ministries; January 26: Cornerstone Missions Fund

NURSERY: Today: Kayla Jiskoot, Sarah Taber
Jan. 5: Brooke Van Woerkom, Allison Van Wyngarden

DOOR GREETERS: Today: Matt & Lisa Vos, Ron & Laura Branderhorst
Jan. 5: Phil & Vicky Slings, Steve & Kim Roose

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE: C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve
Today: Carolyn Harthoorn - C,J; Paula Klyn - C,J,S; Mary Van Haaften - C,S; Sharon Walker - C,S
Jan. 5: Sheryl Goodyk - C,J,S; Connie Isaac - C,S; Lisa Van Kooten - C,J; Lola Spoelstra - C,S

TODAY: Dave Stevenson is preaching today as Pastor Ryan is on vacation.

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES 🎵

WEDNESDAY ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS will resume on January 8, 2025, 6:30-8:00 p.m. New Choir members are welcome!

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTALISTS: If you are interested in playing your instrument in a musical ensemble occasionally, please contact Barbara Boertje DeVries.

YOUTH SINGING OPPORTUNITY: If you are interested in singing in a youth and/or children's ensemble or choir, please contact Barbara Boertje DeVries.

LADIES: Our next Bible Study will be Saturday, January 11, at 9:00 a.m. at church. All women are welcome even if you have never been before. We meet to study the GEMS lesson and pray for the girls. Questions, contact Tammy Veenstra, 641-780-2885. We would love to have you join us!

FROM THE DEACONS: Year-End Giving Deadline: The last Sunday to put your Cornerstone offerings toward 2024 giving is today, December 29. The deacons will be working on year-end count and preparing members' giving receipts after that date. Thank you!

We will be using Breeze to provide 2024 giving statements via email. If you have requested a paper copy in the past, we will attempt to honor that. Please put a note in the offering plate or contact any Deacon if there are changes. Contact Robert Rus with questions.

TODAY DEVOTIONALS for January and February and the CRC Prayer Guides for January are in the racks on the mailboxes. Be sure to pick up a copy.

CONTACT INFORMATION: As the Pastor of Cornerstone Church and your brother in Christ, I would happily connect with you. Feel free to give me a call, send me a text, email, or even “friend me” on Facebook.

(616) 745-4924; ryanlandt@outlook.com; Facebook: Ryan Matthew Landt

FINANCIAL PEACE: If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Join our *Financial Peace University* class starting on **Tuesday, January 14, 2025**, 6:30 p.m. and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. Visit <https://www.fpu.com/363E9C> to learn more, and contact Reid Sorensen to sign up at a discounted rate, (605) 660-2514 or reid.sorensen@gmail.com. This event is open to our community. If you know someone who could benefit from this, please share this opportunity with them!

Cornerstone will host FPU once per week for nine weeks. We are needing volunteers to help with supplying two dozen cookies and a gallon of juice for each class. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church or you can reach out to Reid Sorensen.

HOW TO GIVE: Undesignated cash or check offerings go towards the mission or organization of the week. If you desire to contribute to Cornerstone Church and its ministries, simply write “Cornerstone” on the memo line of your check. You can also give online by scanning the QR code or by going online to <https://cornerstonepella.breezechms.com/give/online>.



1. Online - Log into Breeze, click “Give Now”. Any member can donate through ACH transfer or Credit/Debit Card.
2. Mail - Mail checks to the church (1020 E. Oskaloosa St. Pella, IA 50219) with “Attention: Deacons” on envelope.

BUS/VAN DRIVERS NEEDED: Peoria Christian School has an urgent need for bus or van drivers. Starting January 14-spring break we are looking for individuals who would be willing to help us fill this need. Anyone interested should contact Mr. Copenhagen at principal@peoria.org or 641-625-4131.

FROM REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: “Congregation of Cornerstone Church, Thank you so very much for your gift you recently gave to Rehoboth Christian School! Thank you for being so faithful with your ongoing support throughout the years! As always, we continue to covet your prayers. Please pray for our students, their families and our staff as we continue our 121st school year.”

CRC NEWS ITEMS

GROUNDWORK: Your Questions about Scripture and Hope - Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 6:9-13, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, Hebrews 11:13-16, Revelation 20:1-6, John 15:18-25, and Psalm 46 to look at some of the questions you asked this year in response to our discussions on the Lord's Prayer, Joshua, and Revelation then we'll talk about the issues that feel most pressing for our faith right now and where we can find the hope and encouragement to keep living faithfully each day. Listen at GroundworkOnline.com.

KIDS CORNER: Home is a Blessing - God is our rock and our foundation. The home is the place where your family chooses to make a commitment to serve God. What a blessing! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible Story Podcast The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Builders.

THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP: As we come to the end of a calendar year, this is a fitting time to look back. At a mealtime this week, share with someone else one thing that you're grateful for, one thing you're sad about, and one way you've seen God working in the past year. Read Psalm 90 together as a reminder that God directs our days, months, and years.

Jesus Christ
is the same yesterday,
today and forever
Hebrews 13:8

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