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WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 1/04/26

SUNDAY SERVICE • 9:30 a.m.

TODAY

Nursery is available during the service.
All are invited to join us for Fellowship Coffee following the service.

Looking Ahead:

Sunday School resumes Jan. 11, 10:50-11:35 a.m.
Adult Sunday School resumes January 11,
11:00-11:35 a.m.
Youth Group resumes January 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Supper provided.
Financial Peace University • begins January 13,
6:30 p.m. (Weekly for 9 weeks.)
Christian Fellowship Hour • January 14, 1:30 p.m.
Prayer Group • January 20, 6:00 a.m.
Church Renewal Lab • January 24, 9:30 a.m.–
1:00 p.m.

MONDAY

Men's Bible Study • 6:00 a.m.
Perk Up • 9:00-10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Kingdom Kids (K-1st Grade) • 6:30-7:30 p.m.
GEMS (Girls 2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Cadets (Boys 2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Rehearsal • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Childcare provided 6:30-8:00 p.m.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	<i>We Three Kings</i>	Andrea Van Waardhuizen, Organ
	<i>Star of the East</i>	
	<i>All Things Are Become New</i>	

OPENING AND GREETING

Welcome and Announcements	Elder Calvin Roose
Song	<i>God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen</i>
God's Greeting	Men's Quartet
Call to Worship	

PRAISE TO GOD

Sing *We Three Kings* led by Men's Trio
Hymn #288: #1 – Trio; #2 -4 – Solos; * #5 – All

Ordination & Installation of Elders and Deacons

Song	<i>Holy Forever (Christmas)</i>	Worship Team
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Congregational Prayer

*Sing *The First Noel* Hymn #265
#1-3 – All; #4 – Women & Children; #5 – Men; #6 – All

GOD'S WORD

Holy Scripture Matthew 2:1-12 (ESV)
Pew Bibles page 1497; ESV Bibles page 933

Sermon **"Wise Men Still Follow Him"** Pastor Ryan Landt

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*Sing *For All That You Have Done (As Family We'll Go)*

*Benediction

*Sing *For All That You Have Done* (Chorus)

*Offering, as you leave

*Postlude *Once in Royal David's City*

* = Please stand, if able.

Also leading in Worship:

Quartet: Levi Nieuwsma, Luke Nieuwsma, Joe Van Haaften, Will Van Wyngarden
Trio: Kirby Van Wyngarden, John Hill, Will Van Wyngarden; Bass Clarinetist: Nia Hoekstra

January 4, 2026 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 11: Rehoboth Christian School; January 18: Hope Ministries; January 25: Cornerstone Missions Fund

NURSERY: Today: Kayla Jiskoot, Regina Vaverka
Jan. 11: April Nieuwsma, Brooke Van Woerkom, Liam N.

GREETERS: Today: Les & Carla Nieuwsma, Jon & Nicole Yoder
Jan. 11: Zach & Stacia Veenstra, Phil & Vicky Slings

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE: C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve
Today: Kim Roose – C; Kim Vander Molen – C,J,S; Allison Van Wyngarden – C,J,S; Lola Spoelstra – C,S
Jan. 11: Lois Beekhuizen – C,J,S; Stephanie Roose – C,J; Vicky Slings – C,J,S; Sharon Walker – C,S

TODAY: Installation of Elders and Deacons will take place this morning. New Elders are: Dennis De Vries, Loren Dykstra and Troy Huguen. New Deacons are: Lance Beltman and Reid Sorensen. Let us be faithful in our prayers for them as they take up their service in the new year.

SYMPATHIES: We extend our Christian sympathies to Joel and Jeannie Huyser, our long-time missionaries, on the death of Joel's mother, Ruth Huyser, on December 27. May God comfort them with the hope of eternal life in Jesus our Lord.

MONDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: We will study Chapter 12, starting with Question 6, based on Romans 14:1 - 15:7.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: All ladies are invited to a discussion of the book *Discerning the Voice of God: How to Recognize when God is Speaking* by Priscilla Shirer. We will begin discussing the Introduction, Ch. 1 and 2 on January 7 at 6:30 p.m. Please talk to Sophie Landt or Allison Van Wyngarden if you are interested in joining.

ADULT CHOIR rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, January 7, 6:30-8:00 p.m. New Choir members are invited to start the year off right by joining us!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Greeter Scheduler – Do you enjoy organizing and helping people feel welcomed? We're looking for someone to be the Cornerstone Greeter Scheduler! Responsibilities include:

- Putting together the greeter schedule every few months.
- Helping if someone can't find a substitute.
- Reaching out to members of the congregation who might be interested in being a greeter.

This is an immediate need and is a simple but important way to be involved. If you have questions or want to learn more, please reach out to Lisa Vos (voslisa01@gmail.com or 641-780-9120).

THANK YOU: Jodi Oppenhuizen thanks Cornerstone Church for Christmas cards she received in Michigan when she was visiting her family over Christmas. She was to return to the Czech Republic on January 3.

TODAY DEVOTIONALS for January and February are in the racks on the mailboxes. Pick up a copy today.

DINNER FOR EIGHT: New Dinner for Eight groups will be forming for 2026! If you'd like to meet some new people at Cornerstone or just enjoy fellowshiping around the dinner table, you are encouraged to sign up for a group. Sign-ups will be open through January 18. If you'd like to join a group, a sign-up is in the Fellowship area, or you can go to <https://forms.gle/rSndkLJivDRHFTWv9>. Contact Allison Van Wyngarden with questions.

MUSICALLY SPEAKING 🎵 See Barbara Boertje DeVries (worship@cornerstonepella.org) if:

You would like to participate in a Worship Team and/or Choir.

You have any favorite hymns or songs you'd like us to consider using in worship.

You are interested in playing your instrument(s) in worship.

Children and/or youth are interested in occasionally singing on Wednesdays before Cadets/GEMS/Kingdom Kids.

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 13, 6:30 p.m. and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. 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 signup sheet in the back of the church, or you can reach out to Reid.

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.

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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.

CRC NEWS AND PRAYER ITEMS

GROUNDWORK: God's Covenants and Our Salvation – At times, we experience tension when trying to discern the relationship between God's grace and our works in relation to our salvation. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 12:1-3, Genesis 15:1-18, Genesis 17:1-11, Matthew 26:26-29, and Hebrews 8:6-13 to let God's covenants provide a deeper understanding of how He works, His gift of grace, and what He expects from us as His people. Listen at Groundwork.Online.

KIDS CORNER: Love: God's Most Powerful Gift – You were made to love and be loved – God made you special and gave you a heart that can share kindness, hope, and joy with others. When you choose love every day, you show strength, shine like Jesus, and make the world a brighter place! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP – Epiphany (January 6) reminds us that Jesus was revealed to the Magi, who were considered outsiders and seekers. This week ask God to show you someone who might feel like an outside or seeker. How can you reflect Christ's light and love to them? Sometimes the simplest act – an invitation, a kind word, a prayer – can be a guiding light in a weary world.

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