

WELCOME TO CORNERSTONE!

Thank you for joining us this morning. Cornerstone exists to be a community of grace and truth, making disciples of Jesus among all people. We are gospel people with gospel purpose.

WE ARE PEOPLE OF THE GOSPEL

We are people who were once far off,
who were without God and without hope,
but who now have been brought near by the blood of Christ,
who have been reconciled to God through the cross,
and who have been made members of God's family,
the church, a community of grace and truth,
built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Christ Jesus himself as our Cornerstone.

OUR PURPOSE IS THE GOSPEL

We have not only been rescued by the gospel,
we have also been entrusted with the gospel.
We have become Jesus's ambassadors to the world,
proclaiming the promise of reconciliation with God
by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone.
We are called to make disciples of Jesus among all people,
always bearing witness to the gospel in word and deed,
to the praise of his glorious grace.

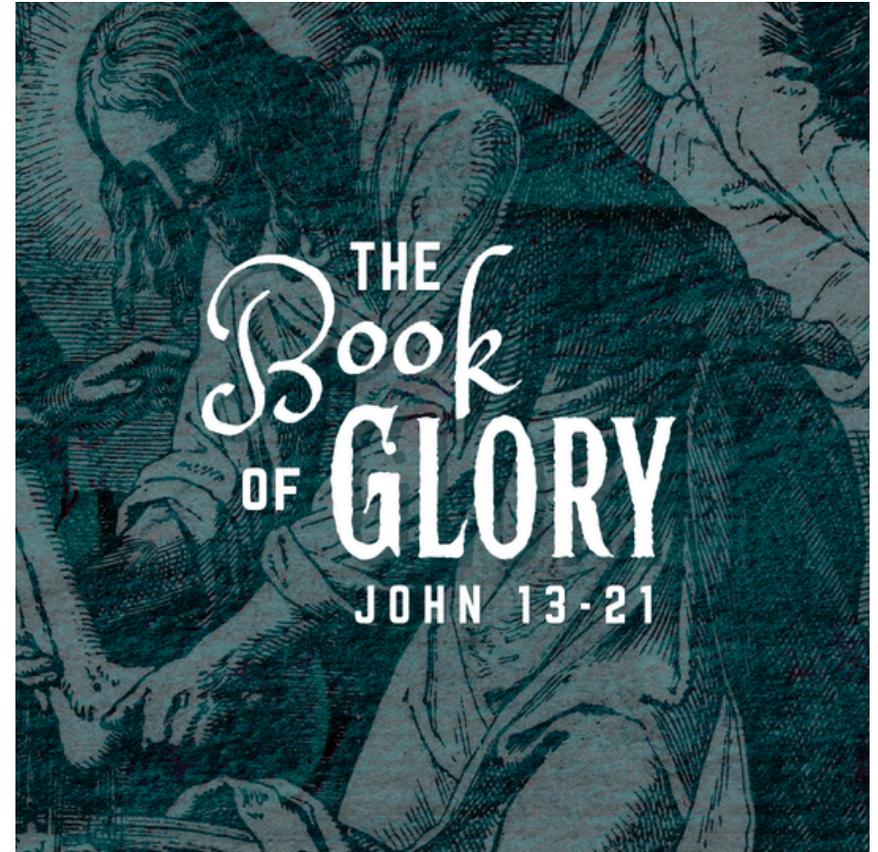
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-  Visit us on the web: cornerstoneefree.org
-  Send us an email: churchoffice@cornerstoneefree.org
-  Fill out a Connect Card and drop it in the box in the narthex
-  Join us on Sundays for Sunday School (9:30am) and worship (10:45am)



Cornerstone

AN EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH



A COMMUNITY OF GRACE AND TRUTH MAKING
DISCIPLES OF JESUS AMONG ALL PEOPLE

*Gathered for Worship
on March 8, 2026*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, through the blood of Jesus, in full assurance of faith, and offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe.
(Hebrews 4:16; 10:19, 22; 12:29)

GLORIFYING OUR
GOD

Call to Worship: Isaiah 42:8, 10-12 (p. 564)

“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

“Cornerstone”

CONFESSING OUR
GUILT

Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:8-26 (p. 935-36)

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Ryan North

REJOICING IN
GRACE

Assurance of Grace: Hebrews 7:25 (p. 944)

“Living Hope”

595 “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Congregational Prayer

Julianna Mays

RESPONDING IN
GRATITUDE

Offering

Prayer for Missions: Crete Collective

Gretchen Nutz

#297 “The Perfect Wisdom of Our God”

(K-3rd Grade dismissed for Kids’ Worship)

Scripture: John 17:1-26 (p. 849-50)

Sermon: John 17:1-26

Pastor John Biegel

“All to Us”

Benediction

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

PRAYER FOCUS

That the songs we sing would teach us the biblical language and rhythm of confession, lament, and praise.
(Ephesians 5:19-20; Colossians 3:16)

CHURCH LEADERS

Pastor: Ryan North

Elder: Kwathi Ajawin

Deacon for Outreach

Michael Higdon

International Friends

Perla Macias

Titus 2: Nicole Britton

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

Frakes (Monday)

Mincer/Sullivan (Wednesday)

Tubb (Thursday)

Nye (Friday)

Mays (Sunday)

Hazelton (Sunday)

CHURCH FAMILIES

Wedan, Sue

West, Kyle & Kirby

White, Tim & Shirley

OUTREACH

Crete Collective

CHILDCARE SCHEDULE

THIS WEEK: MAR 8

Nursery at 9:30am

Dave & Dawn Boulter

Nursery at 10:30am

Luke & Natalia Elliot

Beginner’s Church, 10:30am

Kyle & Robyn Entz

Kids' Worship, 10:30am

A&J Tilikaninen and Gretchen Nutz

NEXT WEEK: MAR 15

Nursery at 9:30am

Lori Klemm & Katie Bailey

Nursery at 10:30am

Aurie Gatell & Guillermo Schwarz

Beginner’s Church, 10:30am

Paulo & Pauline Sison

Kids' Worship, 10:30am

Maralize Anderson & Rahel Kassa

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Unless otherwise indicated, all email addresses are @cornerstoneefree.org

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Gretchen Nutz

Barb Rehnborg

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Music Director: Ken Hatridge (music@)

SERMON NOTES

March 8, 2026

John 17:1-26

1. JESUS PRAYS THAT WE WOULD BE PRESERVED (11-16)
2. JESUS PRAYS THAT WE WOULD BE SANCTIFIED (17-19)
3. JESUS PRAYS THAT WE WOULD BE UNITED (21-23)
4. JESUS PRAYS THAT WE WOULD BE GLORIFIED (24)

"If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet the distance makes no difference. He is praying for me."

ROBERT MURRAY M'CHEYNE

UPCOMING SERMONS

March 15 - John 18:1-27

March 22 - John 18:28-40 (Ryan North)

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Saturday, March 21, 9:30 AM (9:00 AM Refreshments!)

Our next members' meeting will be held Saturday, March 21, at 9:30 AM (We'd invite you to join us early at 9:30 AM in the narthex for a morning snack and fellowship before the meeting begins!)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

This year's Nominating Committee submits its tentative list of nominees for Part II of the Annual Meeting. Nominees for the 2026/2027 Nominating Committee are: Kyle Entz, Marc Meekma, Susan Palomino (2nd term).

LUNCH AND LEARN

Sunday, March 22 after the service, Fellowship Hall

Lunch and Learn Alert! Join the Outreach Committee and Dr Matt Kynes after church on Sunday, March 22 for an update on disciple-making medicine at Kijabe Hospital in Kenya. Hear about progress on the hospital residency project and the Kynes family's latest adventures.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 PM

Join us for our Maundy Thursday communion service on Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM. We will sing, pray, hear God's Word, and remember and celebrate together the death of the Lord Jesus in our place.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 21 - Congregational Meeting (9:00 AM)

March 22 - Missions Lunch and Learn (after the service)

April 2 - Maundy Thursday Service (7:00 PM)

April 5 - Easter Sunday Breakfast (9:00 AM)

EASTER BREAKFAST AND FLOWERING THE CROSS

Sunday, April 5th, 9:00 AM

All are invited to the annual Easter Sunday All-Church Breakfast at 9:00AM in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

What to Bring: *Dishes should serve about 10 people

Last names A-L: breakfast breads, pastries

Last names M-O: fruit, granola, yogurt

Last names P-Z: breakfast casseroles, protein-based foods

Can you help with set-up? We will be setting up the Fellowship Hall for breakfast on Saturday, April 4 beginning at 9AM and would appreciate all the help we can get. This is a good opportunity for anyone needing service hours. If you are able to help set up, please let Nicole know (fellowship@cornerstoneefree.org).

C.S. LEWIS FELLOWS PROGRAM

Is God calling you to a deeper relationship with Him?

The C.S. Lewis Institute's Fellows Program challenges and guides you on your journey towards spiritual maturity with an emphasis on heart and mind discipleship. This year-long program (June 2026 to June 2027) is tuition free and designed to be achievable even for busy professionals with families. For more information and applications, visit <https://www.cslewisinstitute.org/washington-dc/> or speak to John Mays, 703-424-4261, maysjb3@icloud.com. A payment of \$450 covers the retreat below and an urban service project. Fellows are responsible for books and other materials during the year.

Already done Year One? Applications are also being accepted for the Year Two program. Accepting Applications through April 15, 2026.



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