

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.

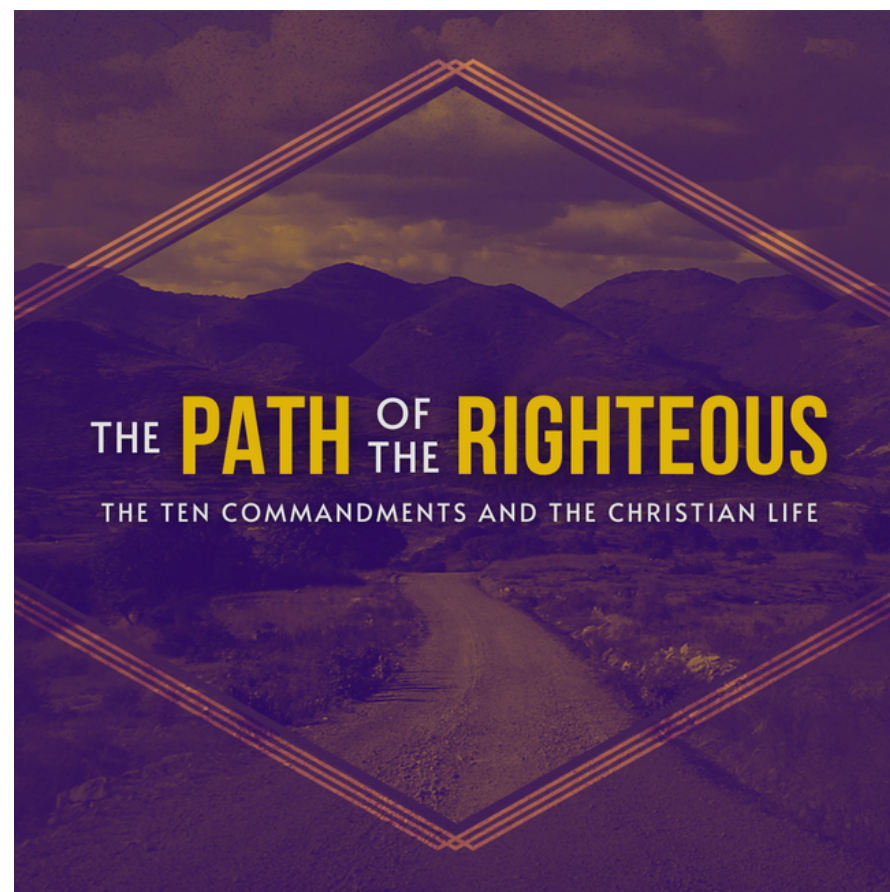
CONNECT WITH US

-  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 August 9, 2026*

SERMON NOTES

August 9, 2026
The Path of the Righteous: The First Commandment

“You shall have no other gods before me.”

- 1. Our worship is due to God alone.
- 2. Worshipping someone or something other than God is idolatry.
- 3. Idolatry can be “formal” or “functional.”
 - a. “Formal” Idolatry
 - b. “Functional” Idolatry
- 4. Idolatry is the root of every other sin.
- 5. The cure for idolatry isn’t just removal, but replacement.

UPCOMING SERMONS

Aug 16 -The Path of the Righteous: The 2nd Commandment
Aug 23 - The Path of the Righteous: The 3rd Commandment
Agu 30 - The Path of the Righteous: The 4th Commandment

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

PRAYER FOCUS

That our members would be actively committed to discipling our children and teenagers and not leave it to ministry programming alone (Psalm 78:41; Psalm 145:3).

CHURCH LEADERS

Pastor: John Biegel
Elder: John C. Connell
Deacon for Property: Seth Gunn
Titus 2: Barbara Rehnborg

CHURCH FAMILIES

Mays, John & Julianna
McCorkle, Dara
McFarland, Hal

MISSIONS

Ted and Julie Kautzman
Pray for faithfulness to the gospel.

CHURCH OPERATIONS

Administration, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Nursery workers, Counters, Custodian
Exodus 35:31: “he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, with intelligence, with knowledge, and with all craftsmanship.”

CHILDCARE SCHEDULE

	<i>This Week August 9</i>	<i>Next Week August 16</i>
<i>Nursery 9:30</i>	No Sunday School Nursery	No Sunday School Nursery
<i>Nursery 10:30</i>	Luke & Natalia Elliott	Aurie Gatell & Guillermo Schwarz
<i>Preschool Worship 10:30</i>	Dave & Beky Hazelton	Julianna Mays & Julie Feurtado
<i>Kids’ Worship 10:30</i>	Ursula & Rahel Kassa	Liam Arnold & Clara Francisco

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

All email addresses are @cornerstoneefree.org

LEAD PASTOR

John Biegel (jbiegel@)

ELDERS

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Steve Nye
Kwathi Ajawin
John C. Connell
Ryan Horner
Daniel Schuttinga

TITUS TWO TEAM

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Gretchen Nutz
Nicole Britton
Kathy Frakes
Lisa Nelson
Barb Rehnborg
Pauline Sison

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Finance: Daniel McGuire (finance@)
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African Evangelist: Kwathi Ajawin (sudaneseoutreach@)
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Interim Office Manager: Barbara Timm (churchoffice@)
International Friends: Perla Macias (internationalfriends@)
Music Director: Ken Hatridge (music@)

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 96:1-5 (P. 467)

SONGS

"GREAT THINGS"

#51 "OH, WHAT HIGH AND HOLY PRIVILEGE"

#9 "O WORSHIP THE KING"

SCRIPTURE READING

EXODUS 19:1-6; 20:1-3 (P. 56, 57)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

LEADER: PASTOR JOHN BIEGEL

OFFERING*

**Children preschool-3rd grade dismissed for Kids' Worship*

PRAYER FOR MISSIONS: TED & JULIE KAUTZMAN

LEADER: FLORENCE OTIENO

SONG

#204 "FAIREST LORD JESUS"

"BEHOLD OUR GOD/ THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD"

SCRIPTURE READING AND SERMON

ROMANS 1:16-25 (P. 883)

PREACHER: PASTOR JOHN BIEGEL

SONG

#61 "OUR GREAT GOD"

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

NEWCOMER'S COFFEE

Sunday, August 23 from 10 AM to 10:30

If you're new to Cornerstone or have been coming for a while but would love to find out more about the church and how to get connected, join us for bagels and coffee before the service on August 23. We'll meet at 10 AM in room S106 (lower level of the Sanctuary Building). Please RSVP by Aug 19 to membership@cornerstonefree.org if you're able to join.

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) offers weekly Bible study classes designed to deepen your walk with God and equip you for ministry. BSF is a 30-week study which this year runs from September 14 through May 3 and will cover the book of Romans. Classes meet on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM at Cornerstone, with discussion groups available for men and women, and an associated program for children in which they study the same passages, at an age-appropriate level. To find out more, talk with Barb and Wayne Rehnborg or go to www.bsfinternational.org.



CHURCH LIBRARY AND PLAYGROUND LUNCH BUNCH

Tuesdays June 23- August 18, from 11 AM to 1 PM, Playground

Young Families! Bring your lunch each Tuesday this summer and chat, play, and check out some good books for the week! Bring your friends!

MISSIONS CORNER

Sunday, August 23 at 5 PM at One Voice Fellowship

Join the Outreach Committee for an evening of worship and unity with One Voice Fellowship at 6071 Leesburg Pike in Falls Church. Bring a dish or dessert to share at 5 PM. Service begins at 6 PM with AJ Moreira sharing from GOD's Word. Cornerstone ice cream to follow!

DEEP DISH CONVERSATIONS

Tuesday, Aug 11 from 7 to 9 PM, S108

Adelphos Room

Ladies, join us for this week's The Gospel Coalition's "The Deep Dish" podcast entitled "Making decisions with our limits in mind." Use the QR code to the right to find the podcast. Questions? contact Ursula: littlesthebear23@gmail.com for more information.



FALL/WINTER EVENING BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN: "JESUS, OUR HIGH PRIEST FOREVER"

Join us for a rich, encouraging 19-week study in the book of Hebrews. Whether you are new to Bible study or a returning participant, this is a wonderful opportunity to know God more deeply, to grow in your understanding of His Word and to connect with other women. Workbooks from Precept Ministries include the text of Hebrews 4-10, NASB or ESV. Two different meeting times and places are available:

- Tuesday, 7 to 8:30 PM, S108 (Adelphos Room), Lower Floor, Sanctuary Building, Cornerstone, Aug 25, 2026 through Feb 2, 2027
- Wednesday, 7:30 to 8:45 PM, Online via ZOOM, Aug 26, 2026 through Feb 3, 2027

POC: Julianna Mays, maysjulianna@gmail.com (703) 869-8799

UPCOMING EVENTS

Newcomer's Coffee - Sun Aug 23 at 10 AM

Parent Meeting Grades 7 to 12 - Sun Aug 23 after services

Evening with One Voice Fellowship - Sun Aug 23 at 5 PM

Child Protection Policy Breakfast - Sun Sep 6 at 9:30 AM

Bylaw Proposal Discussion - Sun Sep 6 after services

Women's Testimony Brunch - Sat Oct 3 at 9 AM