



Welcome to Cornerstone!

December 20, 2020 at 10 AM



Building Community on the Solid Rock of Jesus Christ

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**Gathering Music "Angels We Have Heard on High," "Breath of Heaven"**

**Call to Prayer**

**David LaCross**

We wait in hopeful anticipation. Come to bless all creation with your love, Come to bring salvation on the earth, Come to rule with justice and in peace. Come Light of the World, illuminate our path. We wait with all the peoples of the earth, Light of the World, we welcome your coming.

**Ringling of the Harmony Bell**

**Word of Welcome! "God is Good! All the Time!"**

**Reverend Pruner**

**Call to Worship**

**Megan LaFontaine**

L: Come to worship the Lord. Let your spirits rejoice in the presence of God.

**P: We will sing of God's steadfast love for all people. We will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.**

L: God looks with favor on the humble and lovely. God's covenant does not focus on rank or position.

**P: Blessed are those who walk to God's light. Blessed are all who say "yes" to God's call.**

**All: Let the heavens proclaim the wonders of God. Let all the earth rejoice in Christ's coming.**

**Hymn 38 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"**

**Doreen Laskiewicz**

**Call to Confession**

**Reverend Pruner**

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

Lord, what a wonder it is that You love to spend time with us, your children. When we lift up our prayers, you respond with gifts exceeding our expectations. Yet, too often we leave your invitation for a closer relationship unanswered. We go days without speaking to You, living as if we are a people with no God. We rely on our own power instead of depending on You. We chart our own course instead of seeking Your counsel. Lord, we are sorry. Please forgive us. Renew our faith and refresh our desire to come to you in prayer, including in every Amen.

**Declaration of God's Love and Forgiveness**

**Lighting of the Advent Candles**

**[Announcements](#)**

**Worship Schedule:**

**Saturdays 5 PM & Sundays 10 AM**

**Watch our Worship service on Facebook on Sundays at 10 AM:**

<https://www.facebook.com/cpcjacksonnj>

**STAFF:**

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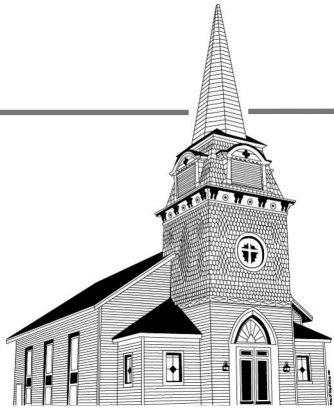
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FOURTH SUNDAY

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**Praise Song "In Christ Alone"**

**Time for Children**

**Joys & Concerns**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**                      **Reverend Pruner**

*Please email [pastor@cornerstonechurchofjackson.org](mailto:pastor@cornerstonechurchofjackson.org) with prayer requests.*

**Hymn 48 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"**

**Old Testament Reading: [Isaiah 60:1-5](#)**                      **David LaCross**

**Offering and Prayer of Dedication**                      **David LaCross**

*Visit our [website](#) to learn more about how you can give.*

**New Testament Reading: [Luke 1:26-39](#)**                      **Reverend Pruner**

**Sermon Series "Gifts of Christmas"**  
**Week 4: "The Baby You Can't Resist"**

**Hymn 27 "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"**

**Benediction**                      **Reverend Pruner**

*Following the Benediction we ask you to join Rev. Tory Pruner outside so we may greet one another.*

### **Announcements**

*(click to open)*

**Saturday Worship Leader(s):**

**Laura Stone**

**Sunday Worship Leader(s):**

**David LaCross**

**Fred VanLooy**

**Our Thanks to our Elders as Members of our Session**

2020: Vikki Leach, Allyson Moyer, Denise Mudalel, Ray Schleckser

2021: Megan LaFontaine, Mike Pushko, Laura Stone

2022: Jim Foster, Deborah LaCross, Fred VanLooy, Linda Van Melis

**Our Board of Deacons – thank you for your service!**

2020: Lisa Capurso, Kathe Morrison

2021: Gail Carlson, Diane DeLuca

2022: MaryAnn White, Kellie Pushko

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We the people of Cornerstone are a part of God's Grand Adventure to: ground our lives on the solid rock of Jesus Christ, build up each other in love through prayer, words and deeds, and to create God's community in Jackson and beyond.