



Cornerstone Connection

October 2016

Building Community on the Solid Rock of Jesus Christ

www.cornerstonechurchofjackson.org

SUNDAY WORSHIP at 10 AM

(Sunday School for Children
during worship)

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A Message from Pastor Tory

Cornerstone is hitting the streets!

October is an exciting month for mission opportunities for everyone. Yes, starting on October 15 we will be hitting the pavement by walking in the Crop Walk. The Crop Walk has been in existence for many years and raises money to help people in need. People whose basic needs are not being met. The Crop Walk gives us an opportunity to bless my brothers and sisters of faith with the gifts of water and food. I would like to challenge you to become a part of this great event. I have pledged \$100 to Elizabeth Hughes, one of our walkers, since I cannot walk the walk this year. I will be there to cheer them on. I encourage and challenge you to walk or pledge. Let's be sure to give even more this year to this vital mission.

Second, we are heading to the streets of Jackson to be part of the great clean up. This requires us to put on gloves and bring rakes so we might pick up the garbage and debris on our roads. This not only keeps our neighborhoods and roads beautiful but also protects animals from getting into garbage that could harm them. As an added blessing Cornerstone will be given \$500 for our efforts which will go into the building fund. If you are able to join us in the great clean-up, for an added bonus you can come to worship on October 23rd wearing grubby clothes! We will surround the crew with our prayers and send them off with our blessings.

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Worship at McAuliffe Middle School

35 S. Hope Chapel Road, Jackson

Mailing address: P.O. Box 140, Jackson, NJ 08527

Cornerstone Community



Carina Tullo, 10/1
Carmine Pescatore, 10/1
Sean Kas, 10/1
Arne Ildsgaard, 10/3
Vernice DaConceicao, 10/3
Dominique Robert, 10/4
Daniel Sarti, 10/6
Zachary Tunis, 10/6
Ryan Kas, 10/6
Sueli Paes De Barros, 10/11
Jared Calhoun, 10.13
Meg Milligan, 10/16
Donnette Hubert, 10/17
Marlene Ruth, 10/19
James Hughes, 10/21
Elizabeth Hughes, 10/31



Don & Michele Welch, 10/3
Ann & Paul Sarti, 10/10
Patti & Ed Miller, 10/18
Kristen & Michael DiGirolamo, 10/18
Kellie & Michael Pushko, 10/24

MISSION STATEMENT

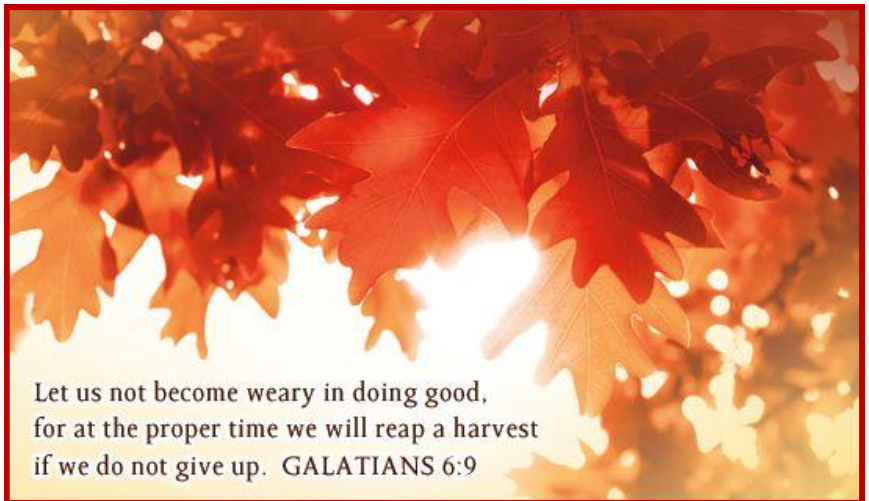
We the people of Cornerstone are a part of God's Grand Adventure to: ground our lives on the solid rock of Jesus Christ, build up each other in love through prayer, words and deeds, and to create God's community in Jackson and beyond.

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Why is it that these opportunities and others are so important to us as Christians? In our day-to-day living we so often find ourselves running from one thing to another doing for self and family but so often never taking the time to pause and remember our call from Jesus to love our neighbors.

Let's make October a time to not just to remember our neighbors but to put our prayers and words and action!

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Tory



Let us not become weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up. GALATIANS 6:9

Please pray for:

- Megan LaFontaine and her family as she prepares for a new baby and a scheduled C-section on October 11th
- Danelle Horvath and her daughter Mackenzie after her husband Emil passed on September 18th after battling lung cancer



Continued prayers for:

- Katie Delaney having continued health issues with her stomach
- Pastor Tory as she recovers from shoulder surgery
- Bev Kaiser in FountainView Care Center: 527 River Ave, Lakewood, NJ 08701, 732-534-8234
- John Lukacs in Brookside Assisted Living Facility in Freehold: Brookside Assisted Living, 93 Manalapan Avenue, Freehold, NJ 07728
- Cornerstone as we continue our renovations at the church on Harmony Road
- Our troops around the world and their families

ELDERS ON OUR SESSION		BOARD OF DEACONS
2016	Tina Kas Patti Miller Sharron Smith (Clerk) Bob Wegner	Betty Thompson Barbara Dougherty
2017	Vikki Leach Todd Moyer Kellie Pushko Ray Schleckser	Lisa Capurso Wendy Barone
2018	Bruce Thompson Gail Carlson Laura Stone David LaCross	Allyson Moyer Elizabeth Hughes

Cornerstone Nominations for 2017

There will be a meeting of the Cornerstone Nominating Committee after church on 10/16. The committee will discuss nominations for elders and deacons for 2017. Please talk to Committee Chair Gail Carlson if you have any questions.

Forms are available in worship if you would like to make a nomination for elder or deacon! Or talk to Gail Carlson!

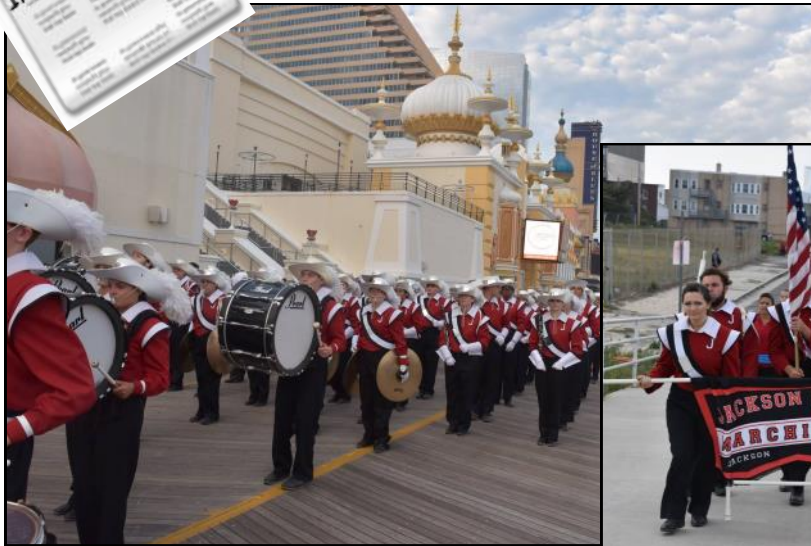
Cornerstone Welcomes a New Intern!



Cornerstone welcomes Abby Cloos, a student at Eastern University, where she is studying to be a Youth Minister. She joins our staff this month as our intern.

Abby grew up in the church where she attend church school and when she was old enough became an assistant teacher church teacher, and then church teacher. She also taught vacation Bible school for the past four years.

She attended seven Youth Mission Trips all over the country. Abby comes to us with a great deal of experience and enthusiasm. Her responsibilities will include assisting in worship and co-teaching our youth Sunday School class, as well as attending youth events as her schedule allows. Let's give Abby a warm Cornerstone welcome!



Jackson Memorial Jaguar Band in Atlantic City marching in the Miss America "Show My Your Shoes" Parade on September 10. We're proud of our Cornerstone jaguars: **Marissa Rosato**, **Annabel Hughes**, and **Devin LaCross**.

Jackson Day September 10, 2016

Thanks to all who helped out at Jackson Day! We made a total of \$536 through donations, our photo booth, and the sale of fresh fruit cups! Thanks to everyone who braved the heat of the day and helped to spread the good news of Cornerstone throughout our community.



"Updated" Photo Directory Coming soon!

We are in the process of updating the church photo directory! If you would like to change your photo, please email a current photo of you and/or your family to:



administrative@cornerstonechurchofjackson.org

Also include any updates to your contact information, including email addresses, cell phones, birthdays, etc.. If you would like us to help you to capture a NEW photo, please ask Elizabeth Hughes to take your photo after worship. Thank you!



Each fall our church participates in Operation Christmas Child, where we pack shoeboxes with gifts for children in need throughout the world.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our summer shipping collection!

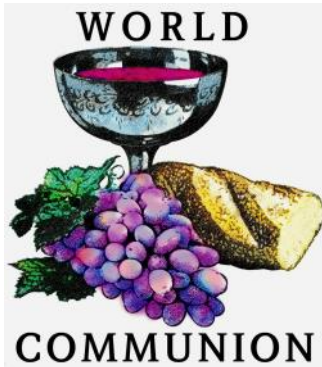
We raised over \$500 which will help us to ship our goal of 100 shoe boxes this fall! It's time now to fill the boxes!

There will be a meeting at the home of Betty Thompson on Wednesday, October 12th at 1 PM. This will be an organizational meeting to make plans for completion of our shoebox project.

Please RSVP to Betty.

Thank you for your support of this mission project!

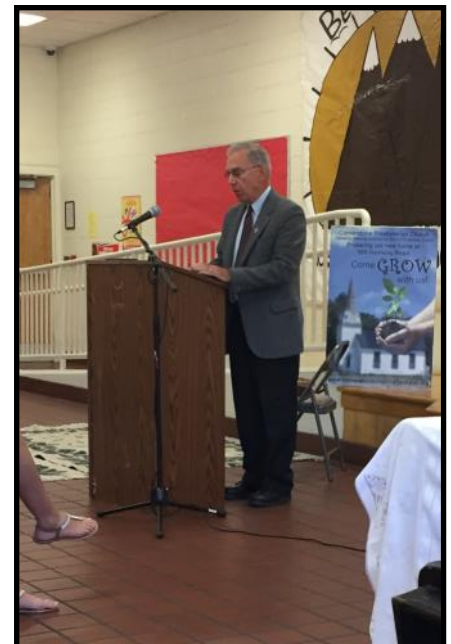
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY—October 2, 2016



In a number of Denominations, the First Sunday of October is observed as "World Wide Communion Sunday" or "World Communion Sunday." World Communion Sunday is a call for all Christians - of whatever background - and of whatever theological tradition - to recollect that we are in fact one in Christ - and that the table we receive from and communion at is God's table - not our own. Join us for a special service on October 2nd as we celebrate World Communion.



Remembering 9/11



On 9/25 we welcomed Alan Reifenhiser for a "Minute for Mission" about the Crop Walk

Jackson Street Cleanup 10/23



Our church will once again participate in a Jackson Road Cleanup on Sunday, October 23rd after worship! We will have 2 teams pick up garbage and recyclables on 2 assigned Jackson roads. In addition to providing a service to our town, we will earn \$500 for the church! We will meet outside in the parking lot after church and divide up to head to our assigned roads. With enough volunteers, it usually takes no more than one hour.

Youth ages 10+ are encouraged to participate! If you can help, please sign up in church or contact Allyson Moyer.

Crop Hunger Walk—Sunday October 16th, 1:30-3 PM

Support our Cornerstone Team!



“We walk because they walk.” Why? Because people of Catholic and Protestant churches are getting sponsors to provide water, seeds and help to grow food for the hungry. This year, the invitation goes out for each to walk so that others may eat. Can you walk or sponsor a walker? The Ocean County walk is Sun, Oct. 16th, 1:30 to 3:00 for three miles starting at the Toms River Presbyterian Church. Jesus said, “In as much as you have helped the least of these, you have done it unto me.” See Allyson Moyer or Elizabeth Hughes for more information on how YOU can help the Cornerstone Team! Register to walk OR to sponsor our team:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/oceancnj/Cornerstone>



Crop Walk

TODAY-one child will die every 5 seconds because of hunger.

Most will be younger than five years old. Most will die from ordinary childhood illnesses – Dysentery, Influenza, and Respiratory Infections – illnesses they could survive if they were not already weakened by malnutrition.

**WALKING TOGETHER FOR A LITTLE WHILE, WE CAN HELP.
AFTER ALL, A LITTLE WHILE IS A LONG, LONG TIME IF YOU'RE HUNGRY.**

WHEN: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

**WHERE: REGISTRATION 1:30 PM, TOMS RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1070 Hooper Avenue & Chestnut Street, Toms River**

WALK BEGINS AT 2 PM Through the neighborhood around the Presbyterian Church (5K)



***Feed the
Hungry***

YOU CAN HELP!

1. Sign up to walk and solicit sponsors for your walk
2. Sponsor someone else to walk

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM. USE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM FOR ADDITIONAL SPONSORS. BRING IT WITH YOU ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th

WALKER'S NAME _____ **PHONE #** _____

Email address _____

Congregation : _____

SPONSOR'S NAME	ADDRESS	PLEDGE DONATION	PAID
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Please make checks payable to: CWS/CROP. If you can not make the Walk you can still support us by donating online @ www.crophungerwalk.org/oceancnj.

Please bring a nonperishable food item for the House of Hope food pantry.

*** 25% OF FUNDS RAISED REMAIN IN OCEAN COUNTY TO SHELTER AND FEED HOMELESS FAMILIES THROUGH THE INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK.**

For information, call Alan Reifenheiser @, 732-349-0665 or email him @, areifenheiser@comcast.net



“God’s Open Hand”

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. Psalm 145: 16-17

The psalmist reminds us of the wonderful hand of God that is wide open giving us blessings. God opened his hand and created our great world, providing us with food, water and shelter. God desires to give to us his children all that we need, as a parent showers gifts upon their child. The image of God’s open hand to us can help us refocus our hearts on an amazing truth. Bill Hybels, put it well when he wrote “the open hands of God are merely the outward symbol of God’s generosity -an inner reality.” Indeed, as open as God’s hands are open to us, our hands from birth are so often are closed. This past year I was reminded of that when my grandson would grasp my hands as he fell asleep. Now, just seven months old he is quick to grab **Everything** in sight! I wish I could say we outgrow this tendency, but truth be told we tend to grab our way through life. In our childhood, wanting the newest toys, the best grades, the starring role. Then when we reach adulthood, too often our focus shifts to grabbing hold to the ladder of success and grasping at the things we “have to have along the way.”

We are blessed to be in relationship with a God that strengthens us when we are weak, who paints a beautiful sunset to express his love for us and lifts our hearts after a long day. When we are in need of grace, he opens his forgiving arms and brings us closer to his heart with his open hands. When we allow our hearts to be cracked open just enough to sense the overwhelming generosity of God, miraculously our hands and hearts resemble that of our incredible generous God. As God’s spirit of generosity flows through us we discover true joy.

This fall I encourage us to take time to talk with our God, your spouse and your family about your 2017 commitment to Cornerstone Church ministries and missions. In Exodus 36:5-7 we read of a time when the Israelites’ hearts were kindled with a spirit of worship to God. They overflowed with contagious expressions of generosity- freewill offerings exceeded any tithe. So great was their giving that it actually got out of hand and they had to be restrained! Allowing ourselves to begin to respond to the generosity of God is the first step toward a deeper and richer relationship with our Lord and a more faithful relationship with our neighbors in need of our generosity.

Cornerstone Youth Group is for kids in Middle School and High School!

Our thanks to Allyson Moyer for volunteering to coordinate Youth activities—please contact her with any questions.



10th Monday 5 PM Pizza and Soul Surfer Movie Night at Moyers

Lets get together to watch the Soul Surfer Movie prior to our event

15th Saturday 9 AM Day of "HOPE" with Bethany Hamilton then lunch on beach. MEET AT THE MOYERS (7 KINDLING WAY) at 9am to carpool!



16th Sunday 1:30 PM CROP Hunger Walk—Presbyterian Church of Toms River



Join the Cornerstone walk for Hunger! The 3-mile walk starts at 1:30pm at the Presbyterian Church of Toms River. For more details and to register visit:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/oceancnj/Cornerstone>

20th Thursday 6:45 PM Beyond Youth Night at Keswick – Whiting, NJ

Join many young teens from the area for a night of music, games, swimming and snack bar. Items include ice cream, mozzarella sticks, french fries and more.\$3-4./item. Visit the [website](#) for more information. This is an open event for all youth and costs only \$10 for our entire group to attend.

28th Friday 7 PM Halloween Party at Moyers

Snacks, games and Halloween fun! Come in costume if you'd like but not a must!

Don't let needing a ride stop you from attending any event. Carpooling available.

Friends are always welcome!

Please RSVP to Allyson Moyer email allymoyer@gmail.com

home (732)961-3192 cell (732)245-6581



The Cornerstone Choir rehearses before worship on Sundays at 9:00 AM.

Rehearsals are low key and fun! We are always looking for new members and hope that you will prayerfully consider joining this awesome group of singers. Singing is another way that we can pray. Think about trying something new – your voice in a choir. If you are interested in joining us consider stopping by or contact Susan (srplus3@comcast.net).

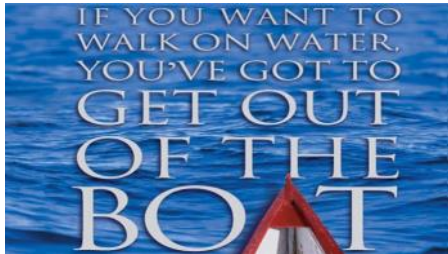


Sunday Bible Study

Sundays following worship, 11:15-12:30, through October 2nd

We will enjoy a light lunch as we dive into this amazing Bible study by John Ortberg who is a Presbyterian minister and dynamic teacher. Our discussion time will be led by Rev. Tory Pruner. Everyone is welcome, even if you are unable to come for all six sessions.

If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat A 6-Session Journey on Learning to Trust God



In this six-session small group Bible study, *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've got to Get Out of the Boat*, by John Ortberg, you'll learn how to move beyond fear to discover God's unique call.

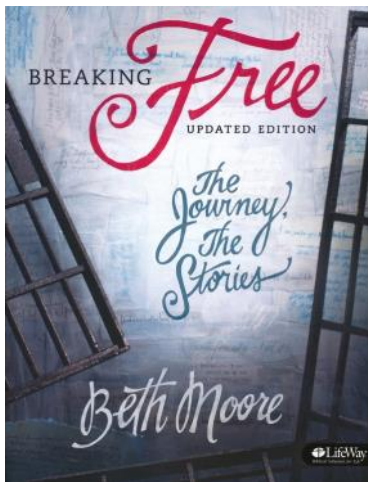
John Ortberg invites us to consider the incredible potential that awaits us outside our comfort zone. Out on the risky waters of faith, Jesus is waiting to meet you and I in ways that will change us forever, deepening our character and our trust in God. The experience is terrifying. It's thrilling beyond belief. It's everything you'd expect of someone worthy to be called Lord.

This study would be excellent for you if you are facing a change that seems overwhelming. Perhaps you know it is time to move to a new job, but the "what ifs" are holding you back. Maybe you have been caught up in a challenge that seems insurmountable. A family crisis often comes without warning and fills us with doubt. Through this study we are reminded that Jesus hands are outstretched to lift us above the fray, helping us to "walk on water". He will empower us to conquer the challenges and storms of life with a deeper faith in the Lord.

The choice is yours to know him as only a water-walker can, aligning yourself with God's purpose for your life in the process. There's just one requirement: *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat*, to discover God's calling for your life!

Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study All Women Welcome!

Meets Tuesdays 10:30 AM—Noon at the home of Elizabeth Hughes



The group is doing a 10-week Beth Moore study called "Breaking Free." This in-depth Bible study leads you through Isaiah 61:1-4 to discover the transforming power of Christian freedom by drawing parallels between the captive Israelites and the spiritual strongholds in our lives. Please talk to Elizabeth Hughes for more information. All women are welcome!

Description: This in-depth women's Bible study draws parallels between the captive Israelites of the Old Testament and New Testament believers in Jesus as the Promised Messiah. Beth looks at the Book of Isaiah through the lives of the kings who ruled during the prophet's ministry. These kings exemplify many of the obstacles to freedom with which we must deal. Using Scripture to help identify spiritual strongholds in your life, no matter how big or small, Beth explains that anything that hinders us from the benefits of knowing God is bondage.

October 2, 2016



Dear Church School Parents and Children,

Fall is here and we are ready for another great year together. As we begin the year, we continue to meet at the McAuliffe Middle School for worship and Sunday School at 10:00am. Soon we will be moving to our new home at Harmony Road! We hope to be there by mid-November. (at least that is the plan). I know many of you have waited for a long time for a permanent church home, it has only been a year for me and I know how excited I am, I can only imagine your excitement.

Our Sunday School is going to begin our celebrating early with a red carpet welcome on October 2nd! Our Youth Class (grades 7-12) will be using the Youth Alpha DVD curriculum. Alpha is an in-depth series that guides our youth through practical life illustrations leading them to discuss freely how we can live in the world and follow God's word in the Bible. Our older Children (grades 4-6) will be using the Nooma series. Nooma is a great DVD series that helps children to begin to discuss and understand that each of us have a unique purpose in God's eyes. Our Young Children (K through third grade) will be using the Witness curriculum as they learn about creation and all the early Heroes of our faith. The Very young ones will also hear Bibles stories and have fun with our toys, as they are tenderly cared for by our nurse team.

At Cornerstone we have learning for all ages and we hope your family is ready to follow the "Red Carpet" to an amazing year of growing in our faith and discovering God's love!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Tory

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we resume our regular Sunday School classes during worship in October, we are always in need of extra volunteers to help teach! If you are interested in trying something new, even just on an occasional Sunday, please talk to Kellie Pushko or Elizabeth Hughes.





Cornerstone Yellow Pages

Do you have a skill or talent that could be a resource for other church members? Please contact Elizabeth Hughes if you would like to be listed.

Donna Rosato

732-276-6805

Notary Public

John Rosato

732-806-7647

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HERE.*

Rebecca Schiemer

732-286-4852

*I make homemade jewelry, homemade soaps, candles, and gift baskets for all occasions. I can also offer my services in cake decorating, cookie bouquets, fruit basket arrangements, chocolate covered strawberries, pretzels, and other homemade candies and chocolates. Please contact Rebecca at **Memories Made Floral & Gifts** or e-mail at sweetlady_16508@yahoo.com or by simply calling 732-286-4852.*

October 2016 at Cornerstone

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9 Deacon's Meeting 11:15 AM	10 Youth Movie & Pizza 5 PM	11 Women's Bible Study 10:30 AM	12 Operation Christmas Child Meeting 1 PM	13	14	15 Bethany Hamilton Day of "HOPE" 9 AM
16 CROP Walk 1:30 PM	17	18 Women's Bible Study 10:30 AM	19 Session Meeting 7:00 PM	20 Youth at Keswick 6:45 PM	21	22
23 Road Cleanup after worship	24	25 Women's Bible Study 10:30 AM	26	27	28 Youth Halloween Party 7 PM	29
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