

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

GATHERING
WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
SONGS OF PRAISE
MESSAGE
OFFERING

Available during the Service:

- **Children's Church** for those in 4-year old preschool & kindergarten. Children are dismissed before the message. If your child will be attending Children's Church, please stop at the Information Center to check in your child(ren) prior to the worship service. If you are unable to check in your child before the service, please walk your child(ren) to Room 101 when Children's Church begins.
- **Video Monitor** – Parents, if you need to take your children out during the service, you may view the service on the monitor located in the lobby.

TODAY

Children's Bible Education - Pre-K-Senior high students
10:45-11:45am

An Introduction to the Bible - 11:00-11:45am in the auditorium

Adult Sunday Morning Groups - 11:00-11:45am

THIS WEEK

Wednesday - CSM (Cornerstone Student Ministries - 7th-12th grade) will meet from 6:30-8:30pm.

NEWS

An Introduction to the Bible

Steve Lamberson will be leading a study during January on "An Introduction to the Bible" that will examine the following topics:

1. The Purpose of the Bible (Why should I even care about the Bible?)
2. Jesus Christ throughout the Old and New Testaments
3. An Overview of the Old Testament
4. A Survey of the New Testament

This class will meet in the auditorium from 11:00-11:45am in the auditorium.

Bible Reading Bookmark Plans

2018 Bible Reading Bookmarks are at the Information Center.

Directory

Cornerstone's directory is now online. If you have difficulty logging in, please contact Robyn Mader at rmader@cornerstonemarshfield.com. Paper copies are available at the Information Center.

Cancelations

Wondering if Cornerstone has canceled a service or event due to the weather? Check our website cornerstonemarshfield.com. If anything has been canceled, a red bar will appear near the top of the screen with a notice of the canceled event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Orientation Class

New to Cornerstone? Want to know more? Pastor Ken will be leading a three-week orientation class, "About Us: Why We Do What We Do the Way We Do It," on three consecutive Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00pm in Room 211, starting January 24. You can register by marking the box on the response card, at the Information Center, or by calling the church office.

Women's Soup Supper

Cornerstone's Women's Ministry invites all women to join us for a Soup Supper Buffet on Friday, January 26 at 6:00pm. Take some time to wind down from your busy week, enjoy food, fellowship and games with friends. Sign up at the Information Center if you would like to come. Contact Jane Hocking at 715-676-4830 if you have any questions.

Pastoral Search Committee Update

The Pastoral Search Committee will be giving an update on Sunday, January 28 at 7:15pm in the auditorium. This will be a time of interaction and prayer. Childcare will be available until 8:15pm.

Candidate Weekend

We are pleased to announce that Andy Kvernen will be with us February 2-4 as he candidates for the Senior Pastor position. Opportunities will be provided to interact with the candidate Saturday and Sunday afternoon. The schedule is currently being developed and will be released when it is finalized. Please see today's insert for more information on Andy.

No Regrets Men's Conference

Men of Cornerstone, Saturday, February 3 is a day you won't want to miss. Join us as we gather with other men at Faith Fellowship in Marshfield for the annual No Regrets conference. No Regrets is a premier men's event designed to equip us to become leaders in our homes, churches, workplaces, communities, and world. Tickets are on sale and may be purchased by going to faithfellowship.life. See Jeff Bleibaum at the Information Center with any questions.

MESSAGE NOTES

Getting Comfortable with God's Sovereignty (Learning to Trust)

Ezra 1 & 2

1. His Word will be _____ (v1)

2. _____ agencies will serve Him (v1)

3. His people can have _____ in Him

FOR FURTHER THOUGHT & GROWTH GROUP STUDY

1. Do you ever struggle with the idea that God is sovereign, that is, in control?
2. Is there a difference between saying that and saying He *caused* them to happen? If a God with infinite power *allows* something that He could have stopped, did He *cause* it?
3. What was the toughest time in your life that you can recall? What was God's role in it? Did you question His fairness?
4. Read Jeremiah 25:1-14. What do you know of the Babylonian Empire? How does God refer to King Nebuchadnezzar in v. 9? Who is it in verses 9-10 who destroys God's people? Do verses 12-14 balance the equation?
5. Read Lamentations 1:1-5 to see a close-up view of what the Babylonians inflicted on God's people. Read Lamentations 4:9-10. Where is God? Read verse 11.
6. The justice of God is tough to uphold in a world where evil exists. How do you affirm it in the light of these three statements?
 - A. God is infinitely powerful.
 - B. God is infinitely loving.
 - C. Evil exists in the world.
7. Do you agree with each of the above statements? Must one go for the other two to stand? If so, which do you deny?



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PRACTICAL LIVING FROM THE BOOK OF EZRA

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