

CORNERSTONE
• JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING •

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JULY • 2026



**CHASING
CARROTS**

THE ENDLESS PURSUIT OF MORE

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 8:45am & 10:00am

What are you chasing? Our grandkids – Nate, Lily, and Hannah – are enjoying Pepper, a black Lab they got as a puppy. Pepper is now a year old, well trained, and great with kids. Pepper loves to chase a ball thrown by the kids. In fact, if the ball is not thrown hard enough, Pepper will outrun the ball and have to turn back to grab it. Throw the ball again and Pepper will chase it again. There's just something in Pepper that wants to chase a thrown ball with all the energy he can muster. Pepper chases thrown balls.

What are you chasing? Mid-July into August we'll talk through a message series titled "Chasing Carrots" originally developed by Life.Church, and tailored for our lives in SD. We're all chasing something, something that catches our attention and we can feel a desire within to chase it and hopefully catch it. The trick is to chase the things that matter most, not the things that matter least. Our culture has strong opinions on what to chase. Chase fame; what could be better? Chase money and stuff; isn't that what makes us happy? Chase perfectionism; then everyone will be impressed. Chase approval; then we'll feel good about ourselves. Chase comfort; then we'll be at rest.

But what happens when we chase and capture fame, money and stuff, perfectionism, approval and comfort, and realize we've chased things that are of little value and we still feel empty? What is worth chasing after? What are the things that matter most? Join me on Sundays as we let go of things that matter the least to gain what matters most. We'll learn what Jesus meant when he said – If you try to hang onto your life, you will lose it. *But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.* (Jesus – Matthew 16:25) *Pastor Steve*

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BUT IF YOU GIVE UP YOUR LIFE FOR MY SAKE,
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CORNERSTONE
Kids
MINISTRY

SUNDAYS

NURSERY-

Birth – 3 years old

Every Sunday both services
8:45 am & 10:00 am

CHILDREN'S CHURCH-

3yrs - Kindergarten

Every Sunday both services 8:45 am &
10:00 am (*Children are excused to
the Ark before the Pastor's message*)



**REGISTER WITH THE QR CODE OR ON OUR WEBSITE
WWW.CORNERSTONEWTN.COM/KIDS**



VBS

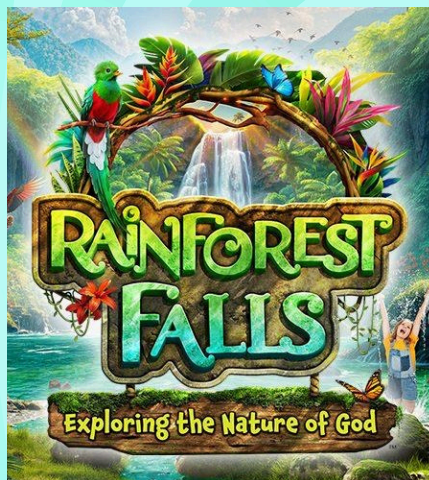
AT WILDERNESS ESCAPE, KIDS
WILL SEE, HEAR, TOUCH, AND
EVEN TASTE WHAT IT MIGHT
HAVE BEEN LIKE TO LIVE IN
THE WILDERNESS WITH GOD'S
PEOPLE, THE ISRAELITES.



SUN. JULY 12TH- WED. JULY 15TH
9:00AM-12:00PM
AGES 4 YEARS-ENTERING 1ST GRADE

VBS

JOIN US FOR RAINFOREST
FALLS VBS! EXPLORE THE
MEANINGFUL, LIFE CHANGING
CHARACTERISTICS OF GOD-
THEIR LOVING CREATOR
WHO KNOWS THEM AND WILL
LOVE THEM FOREVER.



MON. AUGUST 3RD - THUR. AUGUST 6TH
6:00PM-8:30PM
AGES ENTERING 2ND GRADE-6TH GRADE

**JOIN US IN
DISCIPLING
OUR YOUNG ONES
AT VBS!**

**INTERESTED IN HELPING?
CONTACT JILL AT
THEARK.JILL@GMAIL.COM
FOR MORE DETAILS OR
SCAN THE QR CODE
TO SIGN UP.**

**LET'S BUILD
STRONG FOUNDATIONS
IN CHRIST TOGETHER!**



**CORNERSTONE
STUDENT MINISTRY**



SUMMER BIBLE STUDIES

**STUDIES ARE AT CORNERSTONE
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

BOYS STUDIES:

- **MIDDLE SCHOOL**
 - TUESDAY @ 1PM
- **HIGHSCHOOL**
 - MONDAY @ 7PM

GIRLS STUDIES:

- **7TH & 8TH GRADE**
 - WEDNESDAY @ 2PM
- **9TH & 10TH GRADE**
 - WEDNESDAY @ 11AM
- **11TH & 12TH GRADE**
 - WED. @ 12:30PM
 - **BREAKOUT**

SUMMER

YOUTH GROUP IS EVERY

SUNDAY

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Meet @ Church for a ride.

JUNE 28 @ Spahr's
232 N Lake Dr

JULY 05- YG NONE

JULY 12- YG @ Dornbusch's
684 N Lake Dr

JULY 19- YG @ Bach's
552 N Lake Dr

JULY 26 - YG Keyes'
66 Paradise Dr

Text line for Youth Group

To receive youth group updates & announcements:
Send a text to this number
605-597-4545.

Choose from Below for the proper code.

If this is your class year: Text this:

Class of 2027	2027
Class of 2028	2028
Class of 2029	2029
Class of 2030	2030
Class of 2031	2031
Class of 2032	2032
Parent	Parent



Daughters of the King

WORSHIP NIGHT

WEDNESDAY
JULY 29TH

Cornerstone Worship Center

6:30-8:00PM

Girls and women of all generations are invited to join us for an evening of worship, reflection, and rest in God's presence.

LISTEN | REST | REFLECT

TEXT YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME ALONG WITH "DAUGHTERS WORSHIP" TO 605-777-7230 TO SIGN UP. PLEASE INDICATE IF CHILD CARE IS NEEDED!

Through worship and Scripture, we'll make room to encounter the One who formed us, knows us, and walks with us wherever we go.

How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. Psalm 139:17





Mother & Daughter Lake Day!

Young Daughters of the King

FAITH. FUN. FOREVER.

..... A SPECIAL DAY TO

GROW CLOSER TO GOD & EACH OTHER!

-  **WORSHIP & ENCOURAGEMENT**
-  **FUN ACTIVITIES & CRAFTS**
-  **PONTOON & LAKE TIME**
-  **SNACKS & SWEET TREATS**
-  **SPA STATION – PAMPER & BE PAMPERED!**
-  **FRIENDSHIP & LASTING MEMORIES!**



DATE:
JULY 19TH



TIME:
2:00 PM – 5:30 PM



LOCATION:
MARK AND SARAH'S TETZLAFF LAKE PROPERTY
1216 SOUTH LAKE DRIVE



MOTHERS & DAUGHTERS KINDERGARTEN-6TH GRADE



MAX OF 20 MOTHER/DAUGHTER COUPLES

EVENT FREE

(DONATION GIVEN TO COVER COST OF EVENT)

 **ONCE THE EVENT IS FULL, YOU WILL BE PLACED ON A WAITING LIST. WE WILL CONTACT YOU IF A SPOT OPENS UP!**



RSVP: BY TEXTING YOUR FIRST & LAST NAME ALONG WITH "YOUNG DAUGHTER" & THE NUMBER OF GUESTS TO
605-777-7230



Need a Sponsor?
If a girl would like to attend but her mother cannot, just text and we will find a sponsor!



You are loved. You are chosen. You are His.



||| MEN MOVING
FORWARD

MEN'S *Fire* NIGHT

MONDAY JULY 13

6-8:30 PM BOB SCHERBENSKE'S
17250 466TH
AVE GOODWIN, SD

\$10 FOR MEAL

RSVP BY TEXTING
"FIRE" ALONG WITH YOUR
FIRST & LAST NAME TO
605-777-7230



COME HOLY SPIRIT:



TO EMPOWER PEOPLE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIFE-CHANGING PRESENCE OF GOD TOGETHER.

We Need Power to Be Witnesses

This is an excerpt from The Wake Up Call by Seedbed, a non-profit publishing organization.

CONSECRATION

Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.
Jesus, I belong to you. I lift up my heart to you.
I set my mind on you. I fix my eyes on you.
I offer my body to you as a living sacrifice. Jesus, we belong to you.
Praying in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, amen.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

John 14:15–17 NIV

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you."

Acts 1:8 NIV

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

CONSIDER THIS

John Wesley was a man who understood that welcoming the Holy Spirit to move in his evangelistic gatherings was not only necessary but central to seeing the gospel take hold of the heart. Stories of miracles fill the pages of early Methodist history, including healings, visions, miracles, and power encounters that resulted in the conversion even of skeptics who came to the meetings. The historic prayer of the body of Christ, "Come, Holy Spirit," would have surely been on the lips of John Wesley, in one form or another, as he and his evangelists witnessed God performing signs and wonders that drew men, women, and children to Jesus. Just as John Wimber wondered when he would get to "do the stuff," so, too, I wondered, as a new Christian, when I would see my first miracle.

Early on in my faith, during my college years, I surrounded myself with Christians who believed God still does miracles today. Quite honestly, they were incredibly hard to find in my small town. I found a Bible study that practiced praying for one another and started my learning as best I knew how. It was messy, and I wasn't always so sure the theology was quite right (their influences were many), but I wanted so desperately to not be on the sidelines as the Lord worked through others. So I began to try. One long evening, a friend with disabilities and I went out into a field so I could pray for him to walk. I looked at my Bible, and it said that Jesus and the disciples prayed "prayers of command," which sound like "Get up and walk." With all the faith only innocent new believers can have, we both prayed deep into the night. He never walked. But neither of us had diminished faith. We left that field hours later, laughing and smiling and trusting Jesus for more than we had seen that night. His joy filled us!

Attempting to understand the Bible and the guides God sent to me along the way, I continued to pray for people. I saw a few visible healings, but I did notice something else. As I prayed for people, launching in with all my compassion and the words that accompanied it, I had flashes—moments—when, in my mind's eye, I would see a picture.

The picture would change from person to person. Sometimes it would be an object; sometimes it would be a Scripture verse with an image accompanying it. As I began to share those pictures, it was clear that God was addressing hidden topics in the person's heart that I had no way of knowing other than by the Holy Spirit's revealing. This led to Christians coming closer to Jesus, and in other cases, people coming to Christ after an encounter with his love and power.

This is part of our inheritance as Christians! We are people who operate in spiritual gifts. Stephen Elliott writes this about Wesley, his ministry, and miracles: I suspect Wesley would have had far, far less evangelistic success had it not been for the miraculous activities surrounding his ministry. I am absolutely convinced Wesley would be the first to acknowledge that the graces and gifts God had given him as an evangelist, leader, and strategist were inadequate to explain the staggering numbers who came to faith in Christ. I suspect he would be equally quick to downplay any thought that friendship/lifestyle evangelism was a significant factor in seeing England and much of Europe saved under his ministry. These supernatural manifestations were not solely confined to the ministries of John and Charles Wesley. Many other revivalists through history were also marked by remarkable manifestations of the Holy Spirit.¹

The prayer "Come, Holy Spirit" is central to effective life-to-life ministry. Dependence on the Holy Spirit to transform lives is a muscle that we, like Wesley before us and every other follower of Jesus, must work and develop. As we go about our days with the prayer "Come, Holy Spirit" on our lips, miracles will be a part of your story and mine.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, you give us power from your Holy Spirit to do the works of the kingdom. Begin to move, I pray, in miracles as I learn to partner with you in reaching others with your hope. In the name of Jesus I pray, amen.

If you love to worship and have a gift to sing or play an instrument, we would love to connect with you! Please visit the Connection Center in the lobby, text "Worship" to 605-777-7230, or fill out the interest form here:
www.cornerstonewtn.com/worship

Also, check out our Sunday Setlist for a current list of the Modern worship songs we're singing:
www.cornerstonewtn.com/spotify
www.cornerstonewtn.com/youtube



JOIN US FOR AN "ALL CHURCH OUT" WITH FEEDING SOUTH DAKOTA!

Living out our rhythm of Up, In, and Out is something we love doing together as a church family. On Monday, July 27, we have a wonderful opportunity to step OUT and serve our community right outside the front doors of the church. We are hosting an ALL CHURCH OUT for the entire Watertown area, with a Feeding South Dakota food distribution taking place directly in our church parking lot.

Serving together is a joy and a beautiful way to show our neighbors that we care. It takes many hands and feet to make a distribution of this size run smoothly. Whether you love greeting families with a warm smile, organizing a drive by food line, helping load food into cars, serving coffee or feeding the volunteers a meal ...

there is a meaningful place for you on the team. This is a fantastic way to connect with one another while making a tangible, positive difference for families across the Watertown area. Come, participate on your very first OUT. We would be honored to have you serve Jesus with us!

Getting involved is simple. Just text FEEDING SD to 605777230.

Note: Once you text to sign up, we will follow up closer to the date with specific arrival times, details on where to meet in the parking lot, and helpful safety guidelines. Please plan to wear comfortable clothes and closed-toe shoes.



MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

**MONDAY
JULY 27
5 - 7 PM**

**DRIVE-THRU, LIMIT
2 HOUSEHOLDS
PER VEHICLE**
Please stay in vehicle!

Any person in need of food assistance may receive food from the allocation once each calendar month. To receive USDA food items made available through The Emergency Food Assistance Program you must be a resident of South Dakota and fall within the income guidelines.

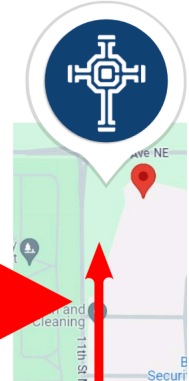
You may send someone to pick up food for you by printing and completing the State's Proxy Form and sending it along with them. This individual will need to show a valid I.D. to confirm they are the person authorized by the form. Find the form at feedingsouthdakota.org/mobile.

CORNERSTONE CHURCH

1350 11th St. NE
Watertown, SD

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MUST ENTER FROM THE SOUTH ON 11TH STREET!



Be a Part of the **MIRACLE**:



SUPPORT ROYAL FAMILY KIDS CAMP

THIS JULY

July is a special month at Cornerstone Church. It's the month our church family has the profound privilege of hosting **Royal Family Kids Camp** — a week where local children in the foster care system get to step away from their everyday challenges and simply experience the joy, safety, and unconditional love of God.

While our Mentors, Mentors-In-Training and staff are gearing up for a week of high-energy fun and deep connections, the truth is that a camp of this magnitude is built on the foundation of behind-the-scenes heroes.

You don't have to pack a bag or stay in a bunk to make a life-changing impact on a child's life this summer.



Each Sunday, we invite you to stop by the **RFKC table in the lobby** to sign up for simple, yet vital, roles. While there will be other roles available, here are just two of the ways you can step up and serve the Lord on this **"ALL CHURCH OUT"**:

1

THE PRAYER TEAM:

The most important work happens before camp even begins. By reaching **Up** in prayer, you lay the spiritual groundwork for the week. We are looking for individuals to "adopt" a specific camper in prayer—committing to pray for their peace, safety, and heart leading up to and during the week of camp. You will be given a child's name and short daily prayers to hold up as they navigate the week.



2

THE WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION TEAM:

On the last day of camp, we are bringing the excitement back to Cornerstone Church! We need volunteers to help us lean **In** ... into community and pour **OUT** God's love as we host a joyous celebration for the returning campers and their foster parents. Whether it's helping set up the festivities, serving food, or simply being a welcoming presence, your hands and heart are needed to help us celebrate all that God has done over the week.



YOUR NEXT STEP

Every child deserves to feel like royalty. Whether you are battling for them in prayer or handing them a treat at our closing celebration, **your service to the kingdom will give you joy!**



**STOP BY THE LOBBY AFTER SERVICES
TO FIND YOUR PLACE ON THE TEAM.**

Let's partner together to show these kids the profound, protective love of their Heavenly Father.



WHAT DO WE DO WITH ALL THESE PEOPLE?



As Cornerstone Church staff, we have been wrestling with this question:

What do we do with all these people?

We have seen so much growth and engagement, that we're seeing so many people come through the doors, that its hard to follow up.



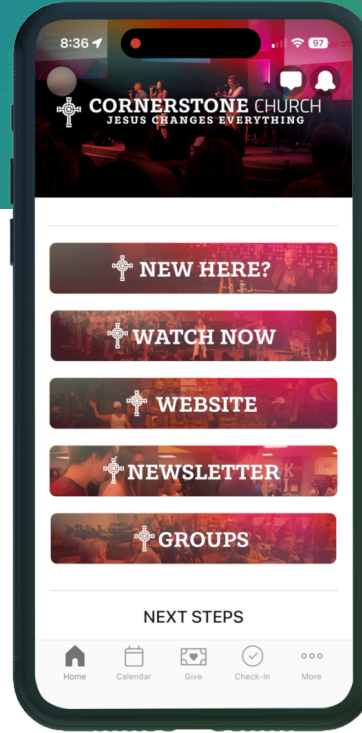
How do we organize people, rooms, giving, event registrations, weekend check-ins?



How can we make it easier and simpler for people to see an event that's happening, sign-up for it or invite their friends?



How do we make the check-in process in the Kids Ministry smoother?



PCO (Planning Center Online)

is an established, web-based, church management database with tools that have been developed to help churches be streamlined and efficient in ministry; not bogged down by manual workflows or multi-step paper-to-spreadsheet organization.



church center

PCO began in the early 2000s as a fix for help with scheduling Sunday worship services so ministry teams and worship teams could be on the same page. It quickly became a place where worship ministers could also upload song sheets and keep track of their music in a digital format as well, a piece-by-piece, organize their Sunday service schedule down the second. It also was a robust scheduling tool for all who serve on Sundays. Cornerstone Church has been using this functionality since the early 1990s.

In the time since, PlanningCenter has been working with churches to become a tool that can be used church-wide to manage a facility, organize small groups and content, check-in anyone to a church event, streamline online giving and personal giving records, and even keep track of birthdays and an entire household food allergies.

As a staff, we have been doing quite a bit of work on the front end, behind the scenes, to make sure all of these things are organized in a way to help people find their spiritual home in Jesus.

We invite you to download the ChurchCenter app.

This app is the streamlined, public-facing side of PlanningCenter. It takes all the organizing we've been doing as a staff, and provides a way for you, the person who calls PlanningCenter "Home", to stay connected.



View Worship Times

See service times and place names of visit.



Groups

Browse open & published groups and find the right fit for you.



Serving Schedule

See what position you're scheduled for on Sunday.



Directions

Get a map and directions to our facility.



Event Sign-Ups

Pre-check into any event & invite your friends.



Group Communication

Small Group leaders can share updates, schedule changes, and prayer requests.



Bulletin & Newsletter

Read the latest bulletin and stay up to date.



Kids Check-In

Speed up the check-in process for your kids.

Get the App Today!

Simply download the ChurchCenter app from your corresponding app store, search for Cornerstone Church, log-in with your phone number (or email), then check out all the amazing opportunities at Cornerstone Church.



*If you've ever used your phone number (or email) for anything related to Cornerstone Church, you're in our database already, so your serving schedule, group participation, check-in history, and giving statements will be ready to view immediately upon log-in. If you have any questions contact the church office 605-886-2242 and ask for the tech director!



KINGDOM JOURNEY

THE MEMBERS OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE ARE:

Hally Bach, Bruce and Susan Buhler, Jesse Hurkes, Malachi Mennenga, Renee Olson-Stevenson, Tom Henning, Paul Johnson, Ryan Carlson, Trisha Reiffenberger, Larry Reiffenberger, Lynn Jurrens, Daisy Jurgens, Al Hendricks, Chad Fleming, Crystal Stein, Paul Rowenhorst

If you have any questions, ideas or concerns please let Pastor Paul or one of these committee members know.

We will be discussing the following topics at the next building committee meeting, June 30th.

1. The committee members will share about their visits to other churches to look at different design and facility layouts.
2. Pastor Paul will present for the staff a defined discipleship pathway.
3. Pastor Jesse will share recommendations from the staff of questions provided by Hasslen Construction.

Please pray for God to provide a clear direction for the staff and building committee in deciding on a Multi-Generational, Multi-purpose facility to reach the people of Watertown and surrounding areas. Pray that we continue to live in the rhythm of Jesus' life, Up in worship and prayer, In into community, Out on mission and help people find their spiritual home in Jesus here. May God expand His Kingdom here on earth through Cornerstone Church.

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GET CONECTED
WWW.CORNERSTONEWTN.COM
SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES - 8:45AM & 10:00AM



CORNERSTONE
•CHURCH•

The Cornerstone Church OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

the week of
JULY 20–JULY 24



If there is an emergency
please call **1-605-886-2242**
and dial the extension for one of the pastors.

MINISTRY TEAM:

- Steve Anderson: *Senior Pastor*
- Paul Rownhorst: *Executive/Men's Pastor*
- Jesse Hurkes: *Youth Pastor*
- Mark Tracy: *Pastor of Outreach/Missions*
- Nicol Theron: *Women's Ministry Director/Office Manager/Creative Arts*
- Jill Hauger: *Kids Ministry Director*
- Brandon Trupe: *Worship Pastor*
- Lucas Severson: *Director of Technology/Creative Arts*
- Malachi Mennenga: *Maintenance/Youth Ministry Assistant*
- Lexie Vetch: *Communications & Business Assistant*
- Abby Keys: *Financial Manager/Youth Ministry Assistant* • Emily Trupe: *Youth Ministry Assistant*
- Bethany Severson: *Hospitality Coordinator* | Travis Berkland, *FIC Coordinator*, to the Ministry Team
- Jen Koistinen • Mandy Hilmo • Molly Lindgren: *Kids Ministry Assistants*
- Anna Ruschmeier: *Kids Hospitality* • Lindsay Conrad: *Nursery Coordinator*
- Marissa Stone: *Kids Hope Coordinator*
- Lehla Pietz: *First Service Director of Music*
- Shannon Berg: *Custodian*
- Guy Gibson: *Safety/Security Director*

2025 FINANCIAL AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Annual Budget: \$1,914,710.00
 \$36,821.35 needed per week to meet budget • Weekly average received for budget expenses - \$34,410.51
 General Fund Year-to-Date Income: \$825,852.27 Building Fund Balance: \$672,552.36
 Attendance (in-person average): 1st - 172 • 2nd- 668 ; Online- 130 | TOTAL = 970
 Average Weekly Food Pantry Families: 78

**To view the church calendar
 use the QR code or go to
www.cornerstonewtn.com/calendar**

