



# CORNERSTONE

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## April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:30PM	2 Good Friday Service @ 6:30PM	3 OA Meeting @ 8:00AM
4 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School <i>No Sunday School Today</i>  EASTER	5 GriefShare @10AM OA Meeting @ 5:00PM Elder Meeting @ 7PM	6 Missions Team Meeting @ 6:00PM  Prayer Time Zoom @ 7:00PM	7 ROOTED/ ADVENTURE CLUB @ 6:30PM	8  Quilting 9AM—NOON  Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	9	10  OA Meeting @ 8:00AM  Elder Retreat 8:30AM—4PM
11 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School Adult/Grades 1-12 @ 10:30 AM Peacemaker Class @10:30 AM	12 GriefShare @10AM  OA Meeting @ 5:00PM	13  Prayer Time Zoom @ 7:00PM	14 ROOTED/ ADVENTURE CLUB @ 6:30PM	15  Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	16  Newsletter info to church office	17  OA Meeting @ 8:00AM
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25 Worship Service @ 9 AM Sunday School Adult/Grades 1-12 @ 10:30 AM Peacemaker Class @10:30 AM	26 GriefShare @10AM  Administrative Board Meeting @ 6:30PM	27  Prayer Time Zoom @ 7:00PM	28 ROOTED/ ADVENTURE CLUB @ 6:30PM	29  Worship Team Practice @ 7PM	30	

## Pastor's Update

I am writing this update as we embark on Holy Week. Yesterday was Palm Sunday when Christ entered Jerusalem with the crowds hailing Him as king. However, they had an expectation of what His kingship would be like. They had seen Him heal the sick, feed the hungry miraculously, and even cast out demons. They hoped Jesus would free them from Roman occupation and take care of all their physical needs. Yet, Jesus came to earth as a sacrificial lamb. He would die on the cross later that week and atone for our sins. He came to deal with our deeper spiritual needs. He came as King of hearts first, and when He comes back the second time, He will exercise His authority as King of the world.

I wonder if we still act like that crowd on Palm Sunday. We look for Jesus to be the one to simply take care of all our physical needs. We relegate Him to the role of personal attendant rather than king of our life. Take some time this Holy Week and ask the Lord to examine your heart. See if you are seeking Jesus as king of your heart or merely looking for someone to solve your physical problems. Let Jesus reign as King of your heart!

During our congregational forum on March 28<sup>th</sup>, we discussed where we want to go as church. There were three specific areas that we want to see Cornerstone thriving in the future. We want to be a church where people actively **SERVE** our community and church body. We want to be a church where we intentionally **BUILD** and develop disciples of Jesus Christ. We noted that there are at least 8 key attributes of a maturing disciple of Jesus. These attributes include: Bible engagement, obeying God/denying self, serving God and others, sharing Christ, exercising faith, seeking God, building relationships, and being unashamed. We long to see these attributes grow and develop in the members of Cornerstone. Thirdly, we want to be a church where we effectively **REACH** the lost in our sphere of influence. Finally, we asked what qualities and skills would be needed in the next pastor to help us fulfill this vision.

We would love to hear your thoughts on any of these areas. What are practical ways we can **SERVE** our community on a consistent basis? What areas do you feel you need to be **BUILT** and developed as a disciple of Jesus? How can we as a church help you **REACH** the lost in your life? What do we need in our next **PASTOR** to help move us toward that vision?

Feel free to share your thoughts. You can email the office or drop off your ideas. Please make sure you identify the specific area you are addressing.

God's blessing to you!  
Pastor Scott

### Mission Support this Month

The missionary of the month for April goes towards David and Tina Brogan, EFCA Birmingham, UK.

To provide a donation of money for Missions ministry please put it inside the globe in the foyer, designate it in the offering box, or designate Missions through donations on the website/App.



Wednesdays 6:30-8:00PM  
Contact Pastor David for details

### Women

#### Women's Connect Group:

TBD

#### Women's Coffee @ Hy-Vee:

TBA

#### Women's Book Club

TBD: STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES

Contact Nina Sellner or Carolyn Pederson

### Men

Men's Breakfast @ Hy-Vee: TBA



### **Connect to Cornerstone**

- ⇒ Live streaming will be available via YouTube – just go to the Cornerstone Website, App, or Facebook Page and click on the video or use the link on the website. Worship starts at **9:00 AM** . Adult/Grades 1-12 Sunday School starts @ **10:30 AM**.
- ⇒ Videos of the service are available on YouTube and on our website, [cornerstoneowatonna.com](http://cornerstoneowatonna.com) .
- ⇒ Digital audio recordings are available in our church app. We will deliver CD's to anyone who calls the office to request one.
- ⇒ The guest network has been updated and re-configured. If you would like to connect to it, you will need to go back into your wi-fi settings and manually add it back in. The password is the same as before, "cefcguest" and the name of the network is "CornerstoneGuest" with no spaces.

## Upcoming Special Services

April 1, Maundy Thursday @ 6:30PM

April 2, Good Friday @ 6:30PM

April 4, EASTER Sunday @ 9:00AM

## Nursery Services Available

Nursery services will be available during church services.

## THE PATH OF A PEACEMAKER

Starting April 11th at 10:30 AM

8 week study led by Pastor Scott

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Because of the long term nature of some requests, we list them in our newsletter rather than the weekly bulletin. Please make sure that you are remembering to include long-term prayer request needs in your daily prayers.

- \* Prayer for the Pastoral Search Committee as God leads them through the process of finding a new pastor for Cornerstone.
- \* Prayer for continued progress towards the debt-free goal at Cornerstone.



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### April Birthdays

4/11 Nathaniel Ranslow  
4/13 Gary Wallace  
4/14 Brian Prins  
4/16 Heather Fast  
4/17 April St. Martin  
4/19 Melissa Beaver  
4/22 Jason Friesen  
4/23 Linda Sprague  
4/23 Kim Cluever  
4/24 Greg Moore  
4/25 Tony Hauer  
4/26 Linn Whiteside  
4/27 Alex Beaver  
4/27 Linda Friesen  
4/28 Carolyn Pederson  
4/28 Phil Bungum  
4/30 Michael Van Ommeren  
4/30 Mary Davis

### April Anniversaries

4/2 Gene & Judy Hovey  
4/18 Tom & Becky Franklin  
Greg & Eydie Hauer  
4/22 Stephen & Karen Glenn  
4/26 Derald & Judy Meixner

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## FINANCES

January— February  
2021

General Acct.		
YTD ACTUAL		YTD BUDGET
Giving	\$34,786.22	\$43,333.00
Expenses	\$30,122.89	\$39,626.00
Loan Balance	\$48,834.39	
(Interest Rate-	5.0%)	

# 2021 Leadership

**Pastor David Shaw : 763-614-7237**  
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## **Elder Board                      Term Expires**

Gary Mohr (Chairman)	12-31-21
Josh Tolle (Vice-Chair)	12-31-22
David Ivance	12-31-22
Steve Mudd	12-31-22
Dave Hammitt	12-31-22

## **Deacon Board**

Dan Kenow	12-31-22
James Mitchell	12-31-21
Stan Prins	12-31-22
Jerry Schmidt	12-31-21
Pete McFarland	12-31-22

## **Deaconess Board**

Sandee Hardy-Hagen	12-31-21
Metelyn Mohr	12-31-21
Linda Sprague	12-31-21
Laurie Wolhart	12-31-22

*\*Last Term*

## **Staff**

### **Administrative Assistant**

Tai Tolle

### **Building Custodial**

Jim Bain

### **Elected Positions**

*Church Treasurer*

Tammy Voss

*Financial Secretary*

Kathy Van Ommeren

## **Ministry Leaders**

**Sunday School Superintendent and Children's  
Church Leader:** LaGene Akers

**Worship Director:** Eydie Hauer

**Nursery Coordinator:** Sara Bain

**FUN Team:** Jason Fawley

**Outreach Team:** Matt Cody

**Missions Team:** David Shaw

**Adventure Club:** Kathi Mudd

**Prayer Chain:** Bev Schmidt

**IT/Social Media Director:** Zach Engel

**Meals Ministry:** Becky Franklin/Kathy  
VanOmmeren

**Rooted Snacks:** Tai Tolle

**Card Ministry:** Becky Quaintance