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1. PASTOR'S WORD

It is hard to believe that one month from today I will preach my last sermon at Cornerstone. So much to do...so little time!

It has been a wild and crazy ride to say the least, but it has also been a wonderfully fulfilling ride. We have accomplished much in these past five years, and I know that God has some amazing things in store for Cornerstone in the months and years to come!

As we begin to wind down and enter into this season of transition, I ask for your prayers. Transitions are stressful and exhausting. Pray for Pastor Kathleen. Pray for Cornerstone. Pray for my family. Pray for Village UMC. In all things, God works for the good of those who love Him. I trust that word, and I hope you will too.

Remember, friends, the best is yet to be! For you...and for me!

2. CLEANING (FLOOD) BUCKETS NEEDED

Flood/Cleaning Bucket Materials

- 5-gallon bucket with re-sealable lid
- Liquid laundry detergent (*One 50-oz. or two 25-oz. bottle(s) only*)
- Liquid household cleaner (*12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water. NO SPRAY CLEANERS*)
- Dish soap (*16-28 oz. bottle any brand*)
- 1 can air freshener (*Aerosol or pump*)
- 1 insect repellent spray (*6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover*)
- 1 scrub brush (*Plastic or wooden handle*)
- 18 cleaning wipes (*Handi-Wipes or reusable wipes. No terry cleaning towels. Remove from packaging*)
- 7 sponges (*No cellulose sponges due to mold issues. Remove from wrapper*)

- 5 scouring pads (*Remove from wrapper. No stainless steel, Brillo pads, or SOS pads. Nothing with soap built in*)
- 50 clothespins
- Clothesline (*One 100-ft. or two 50-ft. lines. Cotton or plastic*)
- 24-roll heavy-duty trash bags (*33- to 45-gallon sizes. Remove from the box*)
- 5 dust masks
- 2 pairs kitchen dishwashing gloves (*Should be durable enough for multiple uses. Remove from packaging*)
- 1 pair work gloves (*Cotton with leather palm or all leather*)

Assembly Directions: Place all liquid items in the bucket first. Place remaining items in the bucket, fitting them around and between the liquid items. Sponges, scouring pads, clothespins, and trash bags can be separated in order to fit all of the items in the bucket. Ensure the lid is closed securely.

Important Notes: All items must be new except for the actual bucket and lid. All cleaning agents must be liquid and in plastic containers. No powders, please. If you cannot find the requested size of a liquid item, use a smaller size. Including larger sizes of any item will prevent the lid from sealing. Buckets from fast food restaurants or bakeries can be used if washed and cleaned. Do not use buckets that have stored chemicals such as paint or pool cleaner. Advertisements on the outside are acceptable.

3. THANK YOU

We deeply appreciated the cards, prayers, food, and love during Dennis' illness. Thank you for attending his memorial and hugging us during the visitation. The coffee and cookies were delicious. Rev. Chris kept us strong by frequently visiting us at the hospital. We will always be grateful for his spiritual guidance through the most difficult times. We are blessed by each and every one of you.

Love,
Dennis White Family
(Vicki, Diana and Dallas)

4. SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Three members have volunteered to organize a Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee for Cornerstone UMC. Leaders are Steve Beck, Brookland Fire Chief; Jim Tolewitzke, EMT/Fireman and Lou Anne Clements, Retired Poinsett County Emergency Manager.

The purpose of the committee is to better prepare our church family while on the property of Cornerstone. We feel we can accomplish this by locating our resources, educating and providing training for members/staff and writing plans pertaining to various scenarios that might occur at Cornerstone.

Please contact Lou Anne Clements (931-8557) if you have any questions or might be interested in serving on a sub-committee.

5. POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Our Staff-Parish Relations Committee continues to accept resumes for two separate positions: Children's Director and Nursery Director.

Our beloved Children's Director, Margaret Gatlin, is retiring soon; and she is looking forward to supervising Bill and his daily routines. Our Nursery Director since last fall, Kim Hemund, has wisely decided to follow our pastor to his new pastoral appointment in Hot Springs Village.

Both positions are part-time. If you or someone you know has an interest, email a resume or letter of interest to admin@cornerstoneumc.net. Our SPRC will begin interviewing mid-May. Job summaries are posted on our church Facebook page, and full job descriptions are available upon request.

6. CHILDREN

Happy Mother's Day!!

Our Sunday School lesson for this week is from Acts 9:36-43 and is the story of Peter and Tabitha. Our main focus will be that we may not have the power to revive the dead, but we can offer prayers of healing, comfort, and restoration for others.

Vacation Bible School registration is on the church website and forms are also available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. VBS will be Sunday, June 4-Wednesday, June 7 from 6 to 8:30 PM. Don't forget to save your empty paper towel tubes for VBS!

7. CALENDAR: (May 14 – May 20)

Sunday (Mother's Day)

- 9:00 am Contemporary Worship
- 9:00 am Kids' ConneXion
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday

- 6:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday

- 10:00 am Helping Neighbors Food Pantry
- 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting
- 6:30 pm AA Meeting (Friendship SS)
- 6:30 pm ALANON (Christ in Me SS)

Wednesday

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Front Page Café)
- 6:00 pm Youth Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:30 pm ConneXion Band Practice

Thursday

- 4:00 pm AA Women's Meeting
- 5:30 pm Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday

- 6:00 am Proverbs Men's Group

8. BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK (May 11 – May 17)

Birthdays **05/12** Kim Smith

05/13 Shane Faulkner
Martha Pierce

05/16 Angela Ford
Scott Turner

05/17 David Midkiff
Jo Ann Van Pelt

Anniversaries **05/12** Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Adams

05/15 Mr. and Mrs. Mike Graddy

9. THOSE SERVING THIS MONTH

USHERS/GREETERS:

May

9:00 Susan Miller, Joel Miller, Bill Rogers

11:00 Ann Lovern, Ken Lovern, Becca Farley, Bill Gatlin

LITURGIST:

May 21

11:00 Mary Hartwig

ACOLYTES:

May 14

9:00 Theron Johnson & Ella McDaniel

11:00 Lila Boles & Lauren Ford

May 21

9:00 Jaden Hicks & Mallie Felts

11:00 Lila Boles & Lauren Ford

NURSERY:

May 14 Cathy Crain, Lesley White, Kim Hemund

May 21 Carla Pratt, Patricia Harland, Kim Hemund

BREAD MINISTRY: Letha Laverty, Karen Pearce, Susan Shelton (B);
Ken & Janine Helman (D)

FOOD PANTRY:

May 16

10:00 – 2:00 Becca Farley

May 23

10:00 – 2:00 Barbara Blanchard, Becca Farley

10:00 – 12:00 Pat Blanchard, Jim & Sandy Clardy, Larry & Lynn Featherston

12:00 -- 2:00 Randy Garrison, David Midkiff, Mary Montgomery

COUNTING COMMITTEE:

May Russ Shain, Bill Rogers