



Cornerstone Church PCA

loving God loving our community

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WHO WE ARE

First planted in 2006 and then officially recognized as a particular church in the PCA's Chesapeake Presbytery in 2011, the Lord has blessed Cornerstone with slow but steady growth to date, with many drawn to its esteem for the word of God in all its richness, and the organic and authentic nature of the church community as a whole.

The church body is currently a dynamic mix of old & young, with many families & children! Any given Sunday morning sees between 80-100 in attendance, with numerous small groups meeting throughout the week and opportunities to serve on Sunday & beyond.

Cornerstone is in a unique and exciting transitional time, as our founding pastor of 18 years moves toward retirement. At the same time, we are exploring and seeking the Lord's leading in the potential for relocating to new facilities to better accommodate our growing church family and future ministry!

We are seeking a new lead pastor who is a life-long student of the Word, with a heart for discipleship and encouraging the genuine worship and fellowship of the congregation.



MISSION

To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God the Father.

VISION

A church of 250 people who display the glory of the gospel of Jesus Christ by loving one another, serving the community, and proclaiming the word of God.

DISTINCTIVES

The Word of God as our Final Authority — God's Word, the Bible, is true. By it we know what God has done for us in Christ, and how we are to love and live for God. Reading and applying it must be a part of our everyday lives and worship.

Spiritual Growth — We desire that members of Cornerstone be growing in their knowledge of God and in their obedience to him. This growth will produce acts of service, love and witness to the world.

Caring Community — A Church that loves and cares for each other. A church where leaders and members encourage, challenge, pray for and tend to each other's spiritual health and physical needs. A church where authenticity rules in our relationships, worship and witness.

Family — Our children are members of Cornerstone. We encourage their spiritual growth and participation in worship as we do our own. We will devote energy and resources to see that ministries and outreach are inviting and inclusive of parents and children.

Community Service — We long to be a church that loves the community where God has placed us, because of God's love for us. A church 'for' the community not simply 'in' the community.



SAMPLE SUNDAY ORDER OF SERVICE



Welcome

Call to Worship: *Revelation 5:11-13*

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

Hymn of Praise: *Build My Life - Holy Holy Holy*

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
Jesus the name above every other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, We live for You

*Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and
Show me who You are and fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken (Repeat)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee!
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

Prayer of Confession

Responsive Word of Assurance: *Based on Psalm 32*

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Thanking God with our Offerings: *All I Have is Christ*

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

Now Lord I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

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Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: *Luke 7:36-50*

Message: *A Sinful Woman, a Compassionate Savior*

Hymn of Response: *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

I will sing of my Redeemer
and his wondrous love to me;
on the cruel cross he suffered,
from the curse to set me free.
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer!
With his blood he purchased me;
on the cross he sealed my pardon,
paid the debt, and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story,
how my lost estate to save,
in his boundless love and mercy,
he the ransom freely gave.
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer!
With his blood he purchased me;
on the cross he sealed my pardon,
paid the debt, and made me free.

I will sing of my Redeemer
and his heavenly love for me;
he from death to life has brought me,
Son of God, with him to be.
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer!
With his blood he purchased me;
on the cross he sealed my pardon,
paid the debt, and made me free.

Benediction

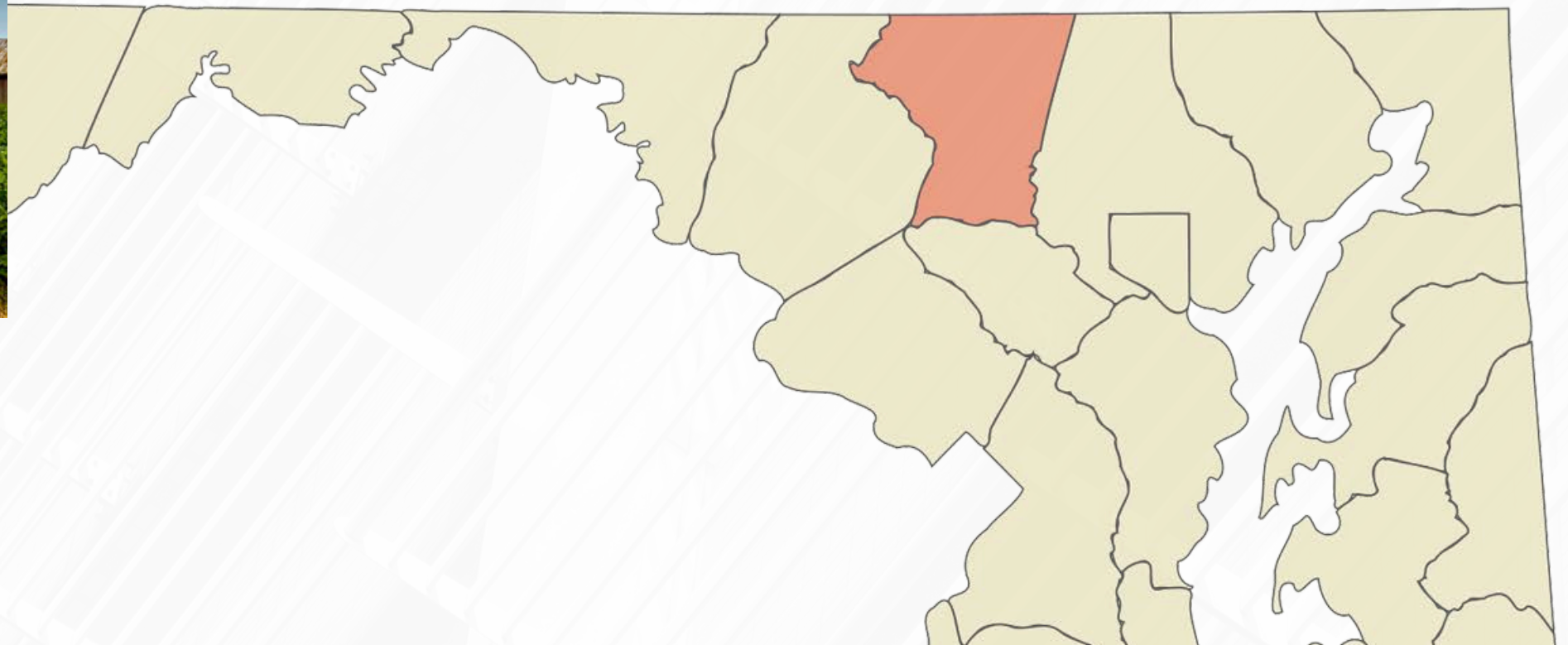
Dismiss to Sunday School



SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

While our facility is currently located in **Manchester, Maryland**, our congregation also pulls from the neighboring towns and cities of **Westminster** to the south, **Hampstead** to the east, and **Hanover** to the north.

Carroll County as a whole is on the edge of metro-Maryland and is a blend of a historically agricultural region and modern suburban communities working in the surrounding towns and cities.



86 ACTIVE MEMBERS



7 CHURCH OFFICERS



22 COVENANT CHILDREN



**\$218,000
ANNUAL REVENUE**



Job Description & Expectations

Full-Time, Solo Lead Pastor



Preaching and Teaching

A gifted but humble expository preacher who conveys the Word of God in a manner that challenges and grows our intergenerational congregation toward personal godliness and expanding His kingdom.

Spiritual Development of Members / Making Disciples

A lifelong student of the Word who challenges the people of Cornerstone, and also himself, to continually grow in their knowledge of Scripture and relationship with Christ. An active shepherd who has strong relational skills with an aptitude for discipleship and pastoral care while walking alongside the body through all phases and events of life. Ability to enable, encourage, and support members to use their gifts.

Corporate Worship

A passion for developing a rich worship experience through prayer, music, proclamation of the Word, and sacraments. Cornerstone has a depth of gifts and maturity among the body for music, teaching, and spiritual leadership to be engaged in the worship of the body.

Congregational Life and Fellowship

Strives to spur on the body to reach into the community and the world to meet the needs God has revealed. Ability to grow the rich body life and community within the congregation throughout the week.

Vision and Leadership

We are eager to follow the Lord as He equips our new pastor alongside the Session to develop a theological vision for carrying out the mission and will of Christ in His church and in our community. We are looking for a humble servant of Christ who loves the Lord and exhibits holiness and discipline while carrying out this work.

QUALIFICATIONS

REQUIRED

- Ordained Teaching Elder, or Ordainable in the Presbyterian Church in America
- Master of Divinity or equivalent from an accredited seminary
- 5+ years of pastoral or Christian ministry experience
- Meets the standards for an Overseer and Shepherd set out in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1

PREFERRED

- Married
- Age 35+

Salary Commensurate with Experience
Benefits Include Health Insurance and Vacation Time Off.



NEXT STEPS TO **APPLY**

Know that as you are prayerfully seeking the Lord's leading in your next ministry position, our church and search committee are also earnestly praying for the Lord to draw and call the under-shepherd He has chosen for our particular flock. To be considered for the position, *please submit the following:*

- **Cover Letter/Resume**
- **2 Sample Sermons**
(video links preferred)
- **Ministerial Data Form**

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