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FALL 2025



**Guiding You Toward a Deeper Connection  
with God Through Jesus Christ.**



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# A PLACE FOR YOU

Welcome to Christ the Cornerstone Church (CtC)

Our mission is simple yet powerful: “We exist to love God and all people so that the world might experience the life-changing love of Jesus.”

We have a simple strategy to fulfill our mission:

**Love** – God and all people

**Serve** – God and everyone by generously using our skills, talents, and resources

**Engage** – One another so that we mature in our faith and tell others the good news of Jesus

Our weekend worship experiences invite you to hear hear excellent Bible-based messages that are applied to life’s situations and then to respond to God with faith and actions.

This quarterly catalog provides you with many upcoming opportunities to love, serve, and engage.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roger".

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# GATHERINGS



## WEEKEND WORSHIP

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

— Hebrews 10:25

There is something truly powerful and beautiful that happens when we gather to connect with God and with one another. Each week, our commitment is to create vibrant, multigenerational experiences where people from all walks of life—no matter your faith background—can encounter God’s life-transforming power, presence, and love.

We believe that connection changes everything—and that there’s a place here that’s just right for you, your family, your friends, and even your co-workers. Come and experience God’s very best, together with others on the journey.

## BEAR CAMPUS

SATURDAYS 6 PM  
SUNDAYS 9 AM & 11 AM

## ELSMERE CAMPUS

SUNDAYS 11 AM

ONLINE

SUNDAYS 9 AM

[CTCDE.ONLINE.CHURCH](https://ctcde.online.church)



## BREAK THROUGH!

- Where is God in our world today?
- What difference do I make?
- How does the Holy Spirit break out through my life?

Our Fall message series will inspire, teach and challenge us to let God's Holy Spirit break through any barriers that keep us from loving, serving, and engaging the world with the Good News of Jesus.

## CHRISTMAS SEASON MESSAGES!

The Good News of Jesus as told by John brings hope and joy. From stark beginnings to miraculous rescues, God plans to restore all people.

## ONE STEP CLOSER:

### A CHALLENGE TO LOVE, SERVE AND ENGAGE

Come learn about the many ways you can serve, get connected, and grow at CtC. We're challenging all our members to learn more about what our church has to offer, take the next step by joining a Life Group, and explore the various service opportunities available.

**September 13 & 14, Bear Campus**

**September 14, Elsmere Campus**

**KNOW MATTER WHERE YOU ARE, YOU CAN GO HIGHER.**

## CHURCH CONFERENCE

Everyone who participates in CtC ministries across our campuses is invited to attend our annual church meeting. Together, we'll celebrate all that God has done over the past year and look ahead to the work He has for us in the future.

Ministry Partners may vote on any items requiring action. Please watch for announcements with the specific date and time.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

### BEAR CAMPUS

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

DEC. 23 AT 6PM

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

DEC. 24 AT 6 PM

### ELSMERE CAMPUS

DEC. 24 AT 6 PM



# COMING UP



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## BEAR CAMPUS

### Remembrance Weekend

December 6 & 7 during all three services

We will take some time to honor and remember loved ones we have lost. You will have an opportunity to write the name of your loved one on an ornament to place on one of the two white trees. We encourage you to worship with us as we remember those we have lost.

Contact: Linda Horan, [lhoran@ctcde.church](mailto:lhoran@ctcde.church)

### Watch Night/New Year's Eve Service

December 31

Join us as we worship, celebrate God's faithfulness to CtC, and share communion together. We'll enjoy a family potluck meal, and we invite you to bring your favorite dish to serve 8-10 people.

Contact: Pastor Vaughn, [vmontague@ctcde.church](mailto:vmontague@ctcde.church) or Linda Horan, [lhoran@ctcde.church](mailto:lhoran@ctcde.church)

## ELSMERE CAMPUS

### Living Waters Café

October 18 & November 15 at 6:30 pm

This free event, held in Wesley Hall, invites the community to enjoy music, light refreshments, and casual fellowship in a coffeehouse-style environment.

Contact: Pastor Richard Porto, [rporto@ctcde.church](mailto:rporto@ctcde.church)

### Women's Retreat

November 1 from 9 am - 4 pm

A day for women featuring inspiring messages, fellowship, and resources to strengthen your spiritual reserves. Enjoy a light buffet breakfast & catered lunch.

Contact: Margaret Arlt, [stamp40@comcast.net](mailto:stamp40@comcast.net)

### Veterans Sunday Breakfast & Service

November 9 at 9:30 am

In honor of all Veterans, you are invited to enjoy a buffet breakfast at 9:30 am, followed by our Veterans Worship Service at 11 am, featuring a special message from CtC Pastor and Veteran Vaughn Montague.

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# LIFE GROUPS

Life is better in community. To keep our souls healthy, we need people around us who will point us to God.

If you want to connect, meet new people and grow in your faith in Jesus, life groups are one of the best ways to do that! We know that in any group you join, you will grow in your relationship and understanding of God and develop deeper friendships with others.



## JOIN A LIFE GROUP

We have a variety of groups that meet every day of the week, all throughout the area. No matter what season of life you're in, there is a group that you can belong to.

Click on the QR code above to find a listing of our Life Groups and how to join one.



## INTERESTED IN STARTING A LIFE GROUP?



It's easy to start a new group—and we're with you every step of the way. Contact Crissy Carroll to start the process of becoming a Life Group Leader. After that, the Life Group ministry team will reach out to help you prepare to lead your group. Invite people to join your group and start meeting!

# CONTACT:

Life Group Coordinator  
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**LIFE GROUPS: GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH**

# GET CONNECTED

## THE IMPORTANCE OF SERVING

Serving in the church means using your God-given gifts to support others and be part of what God is doing in our community. It's how we live out our faith, follow Jesus' example, and contribute to the church's mission.

At CtC, we believe everyone has something valuable to offer. Whether you serve on a team or with one of our local ministry partners, serving is a great way to get involved, build relationships, and grow spiritually. When you serve, lives are changed—including your own.

Explore the opportunities below and take your next step in serving others.

### SERVE AT CHURCH

Weekend Services - Greeters, set up refreshments and Celebration Rm

Media Team - camera and computer operators needed Sun. 9 am

Communion Servers - 1st Saturday and Sunday of each month

Hope Lunch - Setup and serve on Wednesdays at Bear Campus

CtC Kids - Sunday School Teachers, VBS, Easter Eggstrvaganza

Transportation Ministry - Drivers to pick up those who need rides

Emmanuel Dining Hall - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1 pm in Sept. and Nov., prepare food at Bear Campus

### SERVE IN THE COMMUNITY

Serving at Churchman's Village - "Showers of Blessings" the 2nd Sunday of each month

Knitting & Crocheting for Charity - 2nd and 4th Sunday at 12:20 pm

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Serving Ministries Coordinator  
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# BUILDING A STRONGER COMMUNITY

## THANKSGIVING BASKET PROJECT

Kick-off: October 31

Return: November 23

We need volunteers to help fill Thanksgiving baskets and to distribute baskets on November 23 starting at 8 am. Come lend a hand and help bless families this Thanksgiving!



Scan the QR code for basket contents



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX PROJECT

Drop Off: October 1

Return: Week of Nov. 16

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse—a hands-on way to bless children in need around the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, personal care items, school supplies, and fun gifts. Volunteers are needed to assemble shoeboxes, accept box drop-offs, load boxes, and deliver them to the drop-off location. Help us share joy and hope this Christmas season!



## ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS

Kick -off: October 31

Return: December 14

Thousands of children with a mom or dad in prison unwrap joy each year through Angel Tree Christmas—a gift that reminds them they are valued and loved. We need volunteers to purchase gifts and to accept donated gifts at the Angel Tree.



# CONTACT:

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# CTC KIDS

## CONTACT:

**Kids Ministries Coordinator**  
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CtC Kids ministry endeavors to support and partner with families to nurture children to faith in Jesus. We have Sunday school for 1 through 6th grade at our Bear Campus, led by leaders who delight in the ministry of teaching children.

Children from 1st through 6th grade will love CtC Kids! CtC Kids offers a safe, high-energy, fun and dynamic environment for children during the 9 am service. We invite children 1st through 6th grade to join us for the praise and worship part of the service. Then our volunteers will lead them as a group to CtC Kids classrooms where they'll continue their adventure with Jesus in a safe, creative, loving environment!

Four and five-year-olds will enjoy children's church during the worship service by our loving and trained staff in our Pre - K and K classrooms.

The nursery is located just off the mall area, and parents are welcome to care for infants and toddlers in the nursery while watching service online, or are always welcome to enjoy service in the Celebration Room with their infants.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

We're looking for caring and enthusiastic individuals to join our team of Sunday school teachers. If you love working with children and want to help them grow in their faith, we'd love to have you on board!

# CTC YOUTH

**"God has set eternity in the hearts of men..." — Ecclesiastes 3:11**

Every Sunday evening from 5:30–7:30 PM, students in grades 7–12 gather to grow in faith, friendship, and fun. Together, we explore who God is and how He works in our lives through teaching, discussion, and shared experiences.

Each week includes:

- Biblical teaching and open discussion
- A shared meal
- Games and activities
- Opportunities to connect with peers and leaders
- Special events and service projects

We believe that every student is on a unique spiritual journey. Our goal is to provide a safe and welcoming space where they can ask questions, build relationships, and grow in their walk with Jesus.

**Location: Bear, DE**

**Time: Sundays, 5:30–7:30 pm**



## CONTACT:

**Youth Ministries Coordinator**

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# ARTS ACADEMY



Visit our website for  
class schedule,  
registration, teacher  
biographies, and more!

Fill out our interest form  
to get connected and  
receive the latest  
updates!



## TOP TIER:

**MUSICAL PRACTICES:** We integrate the best of what the classical music tradition and contemporary styles have to offer. There is beauty to be found in timeless works as well as the freshness of today's new songs.

**PART OF A WHOLE:** We balance the relational nature of the arts with close attention to meeting our individual students' unique needs and helping them to meet their goals.

**CONVENIENT:** We maintain systems of organization that best accommodate our multitasking modern culture in order to make scheduling, payment, and practice as easy as possible for our students and families.

## OUR MISSION IS

to develop our students' God-given creative abilities through top-tier, joy-powered arts programs that engage the community at large.

## OUR VISION IS

to be widely known in our community for both outstanding arts programs and life-changing love for our students and their families.

**JOY-POWERED:** We teach out of joy. Our teachers are passionate about pursuing their creative fields, developing their students' gifts, and curating a fun, engaging atmosphere.

**LIFE-CHANGING LOVE:** We generously give of our time, energy, and resources. We are quick to listen and to forgive. We pray for our students and their families in order to invest in their lives and what matters to them. Ultimately, everything we do is to point back to Christ and exhibit His life-changing love.

## A GLANCE AT FALL 2025 OFFERINGS

### LESSONS:

Voice, piano, guitar, drums, ukulele, songwriting, beginner music production

### CLASSES:

Babies and Toddlers General Music, Beginner and Intermediate Guitar, Beginner and Intermediate Piano, Adaptive Music, Christian Contemporary Vocal Ensemble, Praise Band Academy, Senior Ukulele Club, Senior Choir

## CONTACT:

Director of the Arts Academy  
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# Early Education and Youth Center



We are committed to providing your children a Christ-centered education based on a biblical worldview in a loving and challenging academic environment.

Our program includes children six weeks through Pre-Kindergarten using the Christian-based A Beka curriculum, Creative Curriculum and other supplemental curricula, publishers and manipulatives. Students are provided instruction in Bible, Science, Math, English/Language Arts/Reading and Reading Development, Social Studies/History, Music, and Arts.

We also provide care for school-age children through our Before and Aftercare and Summer Camp programs to children registered in the Appoquinimink School District, ranging from grades one through six and ages 5 through 11.

**“Children are a heritage from the Lord  
offspring a reward from him.”  
Psalm 127 3 KJV**

Unlock a brighter future for your child provide them with an education that emphasizes the truth.

- All state-qualified staff
- Four age-appropriate playgrounds
- Nutritious breakfast, lunch and snacks (commercial grade kitchen with experienced staff)
- Security entrances
- Bright, clean environment
- Biblically-based curriculum (A Beka & Group)

## CONTACT:

School Director  
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# LEND YOUR VOICE

Psalm 98:4-6

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!  
Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody!  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

Psalm 150:3-6

Praise him with trumpet sound;  
praise him with lute and harp!  
Praise him with tambourine and dance;  
praise him with strings and pipe!  
Praise him with sounding cymbals;  
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!  
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!  
Praise the Lord!

Psalm 34:1-3

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.  
Oh, magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!

Psalm 96:1-2

Oh sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth!  
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.

Psalm 100:4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Music is one of the greatest blessings God has given to man. It has the unique ability to engage the body, mind, and spirit in worship like almost nothing else. It's no wonder that the Bible is filled with exhortations to worship in song and dance because they engage the whole person through music. It is our joy here at Christ the Cornerstone to obey these exhortations each week as we gather for worship, and we desire to see more and more people join us to that end.

There are numerous places in the Psalms where we are instructed to bring praise with a multitude of instruments, and though over the years the types of instruments used in worship has evolved, the principle remains: we should have as many instruments as possible engaged in our worship. So the Worship Ministry at CtC is praying for God to send us more and more people interested in using their musical gifts to help lead His people in praise. If you are interested in learning more about how you could serve either vocally or instrumentally with the Worship team, reach out to Wilson Forney. Come and lend your voice!

## CONTACT:

Worship Ministry  
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# ADULT COMMUNITY CENTER

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesday through Thursday  
9:30 am to 2:00 pm

## LUNCH

Lunch is served Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:00 pm for a cost of \$5.00. Please call in by 10:30 am if you want to join us for lunch.

## TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided to activities and we offer limited transportation to the center from home.

## CENTER LOCATION

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CACC Director  
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Cornerstone Adult Community Center is a 50 plus community within Christ the Cornerstone Church that provides older adults with socialization, support, fellowship, eldercare education and life enriching services. We seek to help older adults apply their wisdom, experiences, and insight to activities that enhance mental, physical and spiritual strength.

We're excited to announce a variety of new activities for everyone to enjoy!

Join us for craft classes, stretching and fitness sessions, line dancing, and tech support workshops—there's something for every interest. We're also kicking off a new series featuring local authors, sparking the beginning of exciting book club opportunities. Plus, we're launching a card-playing group and a walking group—wonderful ways to connect, relax, and stay active. Come learn, move, and make new friends with us!



# ADULT COMMUNITY CENTER

## MEET THE AUTHOR EVENT WITH JOHN RIDDLE

Enjoy readings from Letters From Pop-Pop—warm, funny, and heartfelt messages for the next generation—alongside stories from my journey as a writer, ghostwriter, and proud grandfather. Attendees can reflect on and share their own life advice, connect over book signings and informal chats, and celebrate grandparenting, storytelling, and the power of shared wisdom. Refreshments will be served!

## FALL HAYRIDE AT MILBURN ORCHARD

Join us for a family-friendly Sunday evening outing! Enjoy a festive wagon ride followed by a cozy bonfire with hot dogs, s'mores, and great fellowship under the stars.

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## RACES2RUN EVENT

Lace up and join the Race2Run event to help us raise support and shine a light in our community. Let's run together and make a powerful impact!

## THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

We are happy to host our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon—a warm and welcoming celebration of community, gratitude, and good company. Come enjoy a delicious meal, heartfelt fellowship, and a spirit of thankfulness as we gather together.

## SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE'S - NOAH

December 16

Don't miss Sight and Sound Theatre's 30th Anniversary show, NOAH—an unforgettable experience for all ages. Reserve your spot soon; payment is due by November 20th!

Please watch for announcements or visit [ctcde.church](http://ctcde.church) for specific dates and times.

# FAMILY CARE

Church Family Care Ministry reaches out to provide holistic physical & spiritual care to ensure that our fellow congregants feel the caring, comforting, loving presence of God, especially during their time of need or during an emergency - our team provides ongoing care & comfort through clergy & lay supported hospital visits, nursing homes & home visits, in addition to providing meals, making phone calls, cards, letter writing & transportation i.e. doctor visits, physical therapy or to & from church.

## CHURCHMAN'S VILLAGE

Join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month as we share love and blessings through uplifting worship, heartfelt prayer, and joyful fellowship with the residents of Churchman's Village. It's a wonderful opportunity to encourage others, build relationships, and bring the hope of Christ to our neighbors in the community.

## ZOOM PRAYER WARRIORS

Join us every Wednesday from 5 - 6 pm as we lift up all the weekend prayer concerns requested from the Bear & Elsmere Campus.

## DRIVE-THRU-PRAYER

Join our Drive-thru-prayer team every Friday (May - October) from 7-9 am. We live in a time where nearly everything we need can be obtained from our cars, there are drive-thru for coffee, food, medicine & banks, now at Christ the Cornerstone you can drive-thru for prayer, coffee & donuts.

## WEEKEND PRAYER WARRIOR

Be a part of the Weekend Prayer Team and help cover our services, and congregation in prayer. Join us in making a powerful spiritual impact each weekend!

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# SUPPORT GROUPS

## GRIEF SHARE NEED HELP DEALING WITH GRIEF?

You will survive, and you will find purpose in the chaos. Moving on doesn't mean letting go.

## WHAT IS GRIEF SHARE?

At Grief Share you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind. A support group to help you move through the grief process

A Grief Share support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way.

**We meet: 1st and 3rd Sat. each month**

**Time: 3 – 5 pm**

**Lower Level – Bear Campus**

We saved a seat for you.  
You are welcome to join a group anytime during the 13-week cycle.

## CONTACT:

**Administrator**  
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## RSD/CRPS & CHRONIC PAIN

This group is open to all those who experience chronic pain. Everyone's pain is different, no one feels the pain of another. Our mission is to provide support, education & hope to all those in pain so they can eventually get to a point where the pain is "manageable" and help each other to realize they are not alone.

**We meet: Starting November 8  
2nd and the 4th Sat. each month**

**Time: 1 – 3 pm**

**Lower Level – Bear Campus**

## CONTACT:

**Administrator**  
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# PARTNERSHIP

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A REGULAR ATTENDER AND A MINISTRY PARTNER—AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

At Christ the Cornerstone, we are blessed with a community of passionate Christ-followers who generously give their time, skills, tithes, and offerings. They serve faithfully and actively participate in Life Groups. A CtC Ministry Partner enters a mutual covenant to share in the mission and life of CtC.

Partnership is more than participation—it's a declaration.

Becoming a Ministry Partner means you've chosen CtC as your spiritual home and are making a formal commitment to our mission and vision. It reflects a deeper level of connection and ownership, where you're saying:

"This is my church family, and I'm all in."

As a Ministry Partner, you are also choosing mutual accountability with our church Leadership and fellow believers. It means you're committed to consistently investing your time, talents, and treasures to help build and strengthen this community each year.

Why does this matter?

Because Partnership strengthens unity. It aligns hearts around a shared purpose. And it helps our church thrive—not just through activity, but through intentional, committed discipleship.

## MINISTRY PARTNER INFORMATION MEETINGS

Attend a Ministry Partner Information Meeting to learn the specifics of our Ministry Partner's Covenant. Then you'll have time to decide to make the commitment. Ministry Partners are official members of Christ the Cornerstone and may vote at Church Conference meetings that decide important matters related to our life and ministry together. Christ the Cornerstone is governed by the Board of Lay Elders. The Lead Pastor leads the staff, who lead everyone in the congregation to fulfill our mission.

Click the QR code to sign up for the next Ministry Partners Information Meeting.



# CONTACT:

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# FALL FOR YOU

## HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOU ON YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH?

Maybe you've been regularly attending our Sunday morning gatherings and actively participating in a Life Group, but you've started to wonder if there's more. Consider joining a Bible study or a prayer meeting. These are wonderful ways to grow deeper in your relationship with God, connect with others, and discover new steps on your faith journey.

### **24-7 Prayer International**

September 4, 4 - 8 pm, 15 minute time slots, Scan the QR code to sign up. Prayer International is connecting countries around the global for a week of in-person, unbroken, day and night prayer.

Contact: Pastor Vaughn Montague,  
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### **Sunday Afternoon Adult Bible Study Group**

10 consecutive Sundays Sept. 7 thru Nov. 2025  
12:30 pm, Rm #209, Elsmere Campus  
This Fall, we'll be hosting a potluck-style luncheon as we gather to watch and discuss Season 2 of The Chosen with Rev. Connie and Bob Hastings.

Contact: Rev. Connie Hastings,  
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### **BEYOND: Bible Study Group**

Wednesday Evenings at 7 pm  
Online Link: Zoom.us/873 0783 1801  
Passcode: 0 0 9 3 8 5

Join us as we gather online to go BEYOND... with prayer, lively discussions regarding the Bible, and dive deeper to the previous Sunday's message.

Contact: Pastor Richard Porto,  
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### **Wednesday Evening Prayer Group**

Wednesday Evenings at 5 pm  
Online Link: Zoom.us

Contact: Linda Horan, lhoran@ctcde.church

# JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Together, we can make a significant impact. Every contribution—no matter the size—brings us closer to our goals. Let's work together to create a brighter future for our community and beyond.

When you give, you're not just making a donation. You're partnering with Christ the Cornerstone Church as we:

- Support missions both locally and around the world
- Serve our community in practical ways
- Share the message and love of Jesus Christ

Your generosity helps us support vital ministries and partners, including:

- Sunday Breakfast Mission — providing meals, shelter, and hope to those in need
- Local Troop 902 — investing in the character and leadership development of local youth
- Delaware Strong Families — strengthening families and communities through support services
- Kelsey Stave — CtC member serving as an overseas missionary
- Emmanuel Dining Room — offering daily meals and compassionate care to the hungry in our region

**Honor the LORD  
with your wealth  
and with the best  
part of everything  
you produce.  
Proverbs 3:9 NLT**

Thank you for being part of this mission. Together, we're changing lives!

# GIVE



# GO

Growing in our faith is a journey. Once we come to know Jesus, we deepen our relationship with Him. Then help disciple others to do the same.

We're all on the same path, though each of our journeys may look a little different. No matter where you are, there's a next step you can take!

## NEXT STEPS

### **Attend Regularly**

Prioritize being part of weekly worship gatherings to grow spiritually and connect with the church family.

### **Join a Life Group or Small Group**

Build meaningful relationships, study the Bible, and grow together in community.

### **Serve on a Team**

Use your gifts to serve others — from hospitality and tech to kids ministry, worship, or outreach.

### **Get Baptized**

Publicly declare your faith in Jesus through baptism, an important milestone in your spiritual journey.

### **Become a Partner or Member**

Make a formal commitment to the church's mission, vision, and community.

### **Give Generously**

Support the work of the church and its outreach by giving regularly and joyfully.

### **Join a Bible Study or Prayer Group**

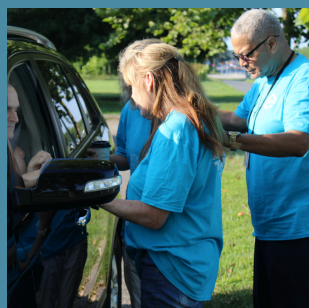
Deepen your faith through focused study and intentional prayer with others.

### **Engage in Missions or Outreach**

Serve your local community or join global missions efforts to share God's love in practical ways.

### **Invite Others**

Share your faith by inviting friends, family, and neighbors to church or group gatherings.



# ETC'S CORE VALUES

## GOD

We believe God's one, true, holy, eternally existing in three equal persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He has demonstrated his love, power, wisdom, and goodness by creating the world and everything in it.

## THE BIBLE

The Bible is the inspired Word of God, revealing the Will of God. These writings are without error and the final authority on all matters of faith and how it is lived out. The Bible is the sole basis of our beliefs.

## HUMANITY

Humanity was created good and upright in the image of God. Because all humans have sinned we all are separated from God. Our only hope is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Every person is God's masterpiece, uniquely created with a purpose that can only be fulfilled through a personal relationship with Jesus.

## ETERNITY

God created humanity to exist forever. Humanity will either spend his eternal existence with God through forgiveness and salvation or separated from God because of sin. Eternal union with God is heaven. Eternal separation from God is hell. Heaven and Hell are real places of eternal existence.

## JESUS

Jesus Christ came to the earth, was born of a virgin, fully God and fully man, and lived a life without sin. He voluntarily gave his life on the cross as the sacrifice for our sin, bringing God's plan of forgiveness and new life to all who trust in him. After his death, Jesus rose from the dead and ascended into heaven as the intercessor between God and humanity. He promises to return to earth to fulfill the eternal plan of God.

## HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is God's personal presence in the world, convicting every person of their need for Jesus. Believers receive the gift of the Holy Spirit at the time of salvation, helping them live a life of Christ-like character. The Holy Spirit empowers believers to be a witness to those around them and brings a deeper realization of their spiritual gifts and the boldness to pursue them. The spiritual gifts that were evident in the early Church are available for us today to encourage and build the Body of Christ.

## SALVATION

All of scripture points to God's plan of salvation. Salvation is a free gift from God available to everyone who accepts it. Through Christ's death and resurrection, God provides new life for the spirit, healing for the soul and body, and forgiveness of humanity's rejection of God through sin.





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ENGAGE**



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