



# CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Follow Me!*



*The Gospel of Mark*

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL  
*The Sundays of Pentecost—Ordinary Time*  
*10 October 2021*

# Pastoral Notes

Dear Cornerstone Family,

When Moses is preparing the people of Israel to enter the land of Canaan, he tells them the key to their future blessing is remembering God's faithfulness in the past (Deuteronomy 8:2). He reminds them that God did not let them go hungry in the wilderness. He gave to them manna to eat every morning. He did not let them die of thirst. He gave them water from a rock. Amazingly, in 40 years of wilderness wandering, their clothes did not wear out nor did their feet swell from walking. God was faithful every step of the way.

Forgetfulness is one of the besetting spiritual struggles of God's people throughout the ages. In biblical history, forgetfulness is tied to doubt, disobedience, even idolatry. The checkered history of the book of Judges is a case in point of this. The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord because "...they forgot the Lord their God and served the Baals and Asherahs" (Judges 3:7). Before we wander from the Lord, we're first forgetful of Him and His benefits (Psalm 103:2).

We have to fight spiritual dementia and amnesia by actively engaging our memories with God's Word and work. Our spiritual progress depends on what one scholar calls, "walking backward into the future." In other words, spiritual advance comes when our memories are stirred with the wonder of redemption. Through remembering, we are equipped for the fight of faith, energized to finish the race (2 Timothy 4:7).

As we prepare for a big anniversary in the life of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, we're laying hold of this critical biblical instruction. **As hard as it is to believe, we will celebrate TEN YEARS as a congregation in November!** In these ten years, we've seen God do amazing things in and through this little outpost of heaven, and it's time for us to remember afresh what God has done and give Him the praise He deserves.

Toward this end, the month of November will be a dedicated time of remembrance and celebration at Cornerstone. **We've invited two amazingly gifted preachers to join us on November 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> to encourage and challenge us from God's Word.** I asked them both to ponder this question, "*What from God's Word would you want to say to a church celebrating ten years of ministry?*" They are choosing specific texts and crafting messages tailored to renew and bless our hearts during this special time. I can't wait to hear what God lays on their hearts!

Then, on November 21<sup>st</sup>, we have rented out **Liberty Hall at The Factory in Franklin** for the whole day! We will have **ONE worship service** at The Factory at 10am that morning. It will be a special Thanksgiving Service. Then, at 5:30 p.m., we will regather at The Factory for a rip-roaring celebration with amazing food, a concert, special guests, and more. Lord willing, it will be a day we will *remember* for many years to come!

Trust me, you will not want to miss one minute of what's in store throughout November at Cornerstone. *Registration will open next Sunday, October 17!* Please mark your calendars now! We want ALL of Cornerstone present for the month of November as together we give thanks to God for the great things He has done.

Your servant,



Worship is a response to the love of God that brings us out of darkness into his light. The rhythm and flow of the service reflects this present reality as God calls his people and reveals himself, forgives their sins, teaches them from his Word, the Bible, feeds them, and then sends them out to live what they have learned.

This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

## Prelude, Announcements, and Preparation

### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

*God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.*

#### Hymn of Praise—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, vs I & 3

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are as follows:

All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial ball,

Bring forth the ro - yal di - a - dem, and crown Him Lord of \_\_\_ all.  
 to Him all ma - jes - ty\_\_\_ as - cribe and crown Him Lord of \_\_\_ all.

Bring forth the ro - yal di - a - dem, and crown Him Lord \_\_\_ of all.  
 To Him all ma - jes - ty\_\_\_ as - cribe and crown Him Lord \_\_\_ of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1779; alt. St. 4 John Rippon, 1787; Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1793.

## Call to Worship—from Psalm 116:12-19

Pastor: What shall we render to the LORD for all his benefits to us?

All: We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

Pastor: We will pay our vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

All: We will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.

Pastor: I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

All: Praise the LORD!

## Hymn of Praise—Glory be to God the Father

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God the Son, Glo - ry  
Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain! Glo - ry  
Glo - ry to the king of an - gels, Glor - y to the Church - 's king, Glo - ry  
"Glo-ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings; "Ho-nor,  
be to God the Spir - it, Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo-ry,  
be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo-ry,  
to the king of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais - es bring; Glo-ry,  
rich - es, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo-ry,  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, While e - ter - nal ag - es run!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the King of glo - ry bring!  
glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1868; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2011. ©2011 Greyfriars Press. Used by Permission.

## Old Testament Reading—Isaiah 53:7-12

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,  
so he opened not his mouth.

<sup>8</sup>By oppression and judgment he was taken away;  
and as for his generation, who considered  
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,  
stricken for the transgression of my people?

<sup>9</sup>And they made his grave with the wicked  
and with a rich man in his death,  
although he had done no violence,  
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;  
he has put him to grief;  
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,  
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;  
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

<sup>11</sup>Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;  
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,  
make many to be accounted righteous,  
and he shall bear their iniquities.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,  
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,  
because he poured out his soul to death  
and was numbered with the transgressors;  
yet he bore the sin of many,  
and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

# GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

## Sung Response—Lamb of God

Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world,

Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace.

Text: John I:29; Music: FRANKLIN AGNUS DEI, Gregory D Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

## Congregational Prayer of Confession—based on Romans I:18-23, 25

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. Your wrath is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of man, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

All: What can be known about You is plain because You have shown it to us.

Pastor: Your invisible attributes—Your eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly perceived ever since the creation of the world in the things that have been made.

All: We are without excuse, for although we knew You,  
we did not honor You or give thanks to You.

Pastor: We became futile in our thinking and our foolish hearts were darkened.

All: Claiming to be wise, we became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God  
for earthly things.

Pastor: We have exchanged the truth about You, O God, for a lie and worshipped the creature  
rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever!

## Silent Prayers of Confession

## Assurance of Pardon—based on Psalm 66:16-20

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.

If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!


## Hymn of Praise—How Deep the Father's Love For Us



How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, How vast be - yond all meas - ure That  
Be - hold the man up - on a cross, My sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -  
I will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no power, no wis - dom. But



He should give His on - ly Son To make a wretch His treas - ure. How  
shamed I hear my mock - ing voice Call out a - mong the scoff - fers. It  
I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why



great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way As  
was my sin that held Him there Un - til it was ac - com - plished; His  
should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One Bring man - y sons to glo - ry.  
dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.  
this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

## The Reading of the Word—Mark 14:53-72

<sup>53</sup> And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together.<sup>54</sup> And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. <sup>55</sup> Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none.<sup>56</sup> For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. <sup>57</sup> And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, <sup>58</sup> “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’” <sup>59</sup> Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. <sup>60</sup> And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?” <sup>61</sup> But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” <sup>62</sup> And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” <sup>63</sup> And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? <sup>64</sup> You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all condemned him as deserving death. <sup>65</sup> And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophesy!” And the guards received him with blows.

<sup>66</sup> And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, <sup>67</sup> and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.” <sup>68</sup> But he denied it, saying, “I neither know nor understand what you mean.” And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. <sup>69</sup> And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.” <sup>70</sup> But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” <sup>71</sup> But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know this man of whom you speak.” <sup>72</sup> And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, “Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

All: **But the Word of our God will stand forever.**

Sermon—Follow Me: The Gospel of Mark, pt 5I

*Standing Trial*

—Ben Griffith, *Pastor*



## Sung Response—Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted, Vs 4

Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the re - fuge of the lost.  
Christ the Rock of our sal - va - tion, His the Name of which we boast.  
Lamb of God for sin - ners wound - ed! Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!  
None shall ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

The image shows a musical score for a four-verse sung response. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are: 'Here we have a firm foundation, Here the refuge of the lost. Christ the Rock of our salvation, His the Name of which we boast. Lamb of God for sinners wounded! Sacrifice to cancel guilt! None shall ever be confounded Who on Him their hope have built.'

Text: Thomas Kelly, 1804; Music: O MEIN JESU, ICH MUSS STERBEN, *Geistliche Volkslieder*, Paderborn, 1850.

## Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
    who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
    born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into Heaven  
    and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
    from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church,  
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* "Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

## Sung Response—All Creatures of Our God and King, Vs 6

Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And wor - ship Him in hum - ble -  
ness, O\_\_ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the  
Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One! O\_\_ praise Him! O\_\_  
praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

The image shows a four-system musical score for a sung response. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The music is in 3/4 time and the key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line. The second system ends with a double bar line. The third system ends with a double bar line. The fourth system ends with a double bar line and a final chord.

Text: Francis of Assisi, c. 1225, Tr William Draper, 1919; Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Cologne, 1623.

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.*

### Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

#### Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

*The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.*

*If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.*

*At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. Proceed to the first table for the bread, and then on the second for wine/juice.*

# Psalm of the Month—Psalm 102: Lord, Hear My Prayer



Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry Have read - y ac - cess  
 My heart is with - ered like the grass, And I for - get my  
 But Thou, Je - ho - vah, shalt en - dure, Thy throne for - ev - er  
 The Lord, ex - alt - ed on His throne, Looked down from Heav'n with



un - to Thee; When in dis - tress to Thee I fly, O hide not  
 dai - ly bread; In lone - ly grief my days I pass And sad my  
 is the same; And to all gen - er - a - tions sure Shall be Thy  
 pity - ing eye To still the low - ly cap - tive's moan And save His



Thou Thy face from me. At - tend, O Lord, to my de -  
 thoughts up - on my bed. My foes re - proach me all the  
 great me - mor - ial Name. The time for Zi - on's help is  
 peo - ple doomed to die. All men in Zi - on shall de -



sire, O haste to an - swer when I pray; For grief con -  
 day, My drink is tears, my bread is grief, For in Thy  
 near, The time ap - point - ed in Thy love; O let Thy  
 clare His gra - cious Name with one ac - cord, When kings and



sumes my strength like fire, My days as smoke pass swift a - way.  
 wrath I pine a - way, My days are like a fad - ing leaf.  
 gra - cious aid ap - pear, Look Thou in mer - cy from a - bove.  
 na - tions gath - er there To serve and wor - ship God the Lord.

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## Hymn of Communion—Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat



Ap - proach, my soul, the mer - cy seat, Where Je - sus an - swers prayer; There  
Bowed down be - neath a load of sin, By Sa - tan sore - ly pressed, By  
O won - drous love! to bleed and die, To bear the cross and shame, That



hum - bly fall be - fore His feet, For none can per - ish there. Thy pro - mise is my  
war with - out and fears with - in, I come to Thee for rest. Be Thou my Shield and  
guil - ty sin - ners, such as I, Might plead Thy gra - cious name. "Poor tem - pest - toss - ed



on - ly plea, With this I ven - ture nigh; Thou call - est bur - dened  
hid - ing Place, That, shel - tered by Thy side, I may my fierce ac -  
soul, be still; My pro - mised grace re - ceive;" 'Tis Je - sus speaks: I



souls to Thee, And such, O Lord, am I. And such, O Lord, am I.  
cu - ser face, And tell him Thou hast died! And tell him Thou hast died!  
must, I will, I can, I do be - lieve. I can, I do be - lieve.

Text: John Newton, 1779; Music: APPROACH MY SOUL, Gregory Wilbur, 2011. ©2011 Greyfriars Press

### Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

If you are not able to partake in the Lord's Supper today, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. *Amen*

*Prayer of Belief.* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. *Amen*

*Prayer of Commitment.* Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. *Amen*

# GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen*

## Hymn of Praise—Jesus, What A Friend for Sinners

Je - sus! what\_ a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! Lov - er of\_ my soul;  
Je - sus! what\_ a Strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self\_ in Him.  
Je - sus! what\_ a Guide and Keep - er! While the temp - est still\_ is high,

Friends may fail\_ me, foes ass - ail\_ me, He, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.  
Temp - ted, tried, and some - times fail - ing, He, my Strength, my vic - to - ry wins.  
Storms a - bout\_ me, night o'er - takes me, He, my Sav - ior, hears my cry.

Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!

Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, He is with me to the end.

Text: J. Wilbur Chapman, 1910; Music: HYFRYDOL, R.H. Prichard, 1831.

# GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

## Benediction—from I Peter 2:9-10

The Lord has chosen you as a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. *Amen.*

## Sung Response—Barocha (Numbers 6:24)

The Lord bless you and keep\_\_ you. The Lord make His face shine up - on\_\_ you,  
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er. The  
Lord be gra - cious to\_\_ you. The Lord turn His face\_\_ to - ward\_\_ you,  
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.  
And give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.

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Welcome to Cornerstone! If you are visiting with us today, we are glad you're here and would love the opportunity to welcome you personally. We invite you to fill out the visitor card available in the pew in front of you. Please drop it in the offering boxes at either chapel entrance as you leave.

## Focus on Church Ministry

### Midweek at Cornerstone

Find all the details about Midweek, including the schedule and dinner registration, on the church website and app. Registration for dinner is open until Monday at noon. Dinner for October 13 is McAlister's assorted sandwiches and salads. \$5/person, \$20/family maximum. Please make plans to spend midweek with your Cornerstone family!

### Choir for Fall and Advent—Wednesdays at 7:15pm

Following Vespers and Youth, come join with others as we prepare choral music for our annual Lessons and Carols service as well as other opportunities during the holiday season. Please contact Greg for more information: [greg@cstonepres.org](mailto:greg@cstonepres.org)

### Conversation with Jonathan Rogers & Carolyn Weber

Monday, October 25, 7:00 p.m. at Cornerstone  
You are invited to a live taping of *The Habit* podcast in which author Jonathan Rogers will interview Carolyn Weber. Dr. Weber is a noted professor, speaker, and author of the award-winning memoir *Surprised by Oxford*, which is also currently being made into a feature film. She now teaches rhetoric, logic, and writing at New College Franklin.

### The Bookshelf

The new "Blessings of the Faith" book series is finally in print! These brief primers aim at introducing and celebrating the richness of Reformed doctrine and practice. Only \$5 apiece!

- *Persistent Prayer* by Guy Richard
- *Covenantal Baptism* by Jason Helopoulos
- *Expository Preaching* by David Strain

### Men's Fall Fellowship

Brothers, cooler temps are here. Let's enjoy this weather together! Saturday, October 23rd, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., we are going to gather around the fire pit at Randy Allen's house (2490 McLemore Cir) and enjoy some barbecue and brotherly fellowship. Make plans now to join us.

### Sunday School

*Adults:* choose from The Cornerstone School of Discipleship offerings (listed below)

*Youth:* Merridee's

*Babies/Toddlers:* Room I02

*3 years - Kindergarten:* Room I03

*1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade:* Room I04

*3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> grade:* Room I01

*5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade:* Room 301

### The Cornerstone School of Discipleship

*Core Class: The Mystery of the Holy Spirit led by Tony Giles (Room 303)*

In this six-week course, your understanding of the Holy Spirit's person and work will deepen as you explore the indispensable ministry of this mysterious and often underappreciated member of the Trinity. R.C. Sproul's *The Mystery of the Holy Spirit* is a supplemental resource. Available on The Bookshelf for \$10.

*Elective Class: Pursuing the Joy of a Clear Conscience led by various teachers (Chapel)*

In this six-week course, you will come to appreciate why the Bible emphasizes the importance of a clear conscience, gaining practical instruction in how to train a conscience, how to free a guilty conscience, and how to peaceably work through matters of conscience with those in whom you disagree.

### Young Moms' Encouragement Group

If you have young children, this is for you! This new group will meet three times before Christmas for a night out with a purpose. The first meeting is October 21 (location TBD). Please let us know you're interested in participating by filling out a form through the midweek email or on the Women's Ministry page of the church website. Questions? [women@cstonepres.org](mailto:women@cstonepres.org)

### Youth Group Bonfire and Hayride

All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to the Brookses' (1020 Lumsden Lane) for a bonfire and hayride on October 24, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Questions? [youth@cstonepres.org](mailto:youth@cstonepres.org)

1. What was one big take away for you from this morning's message?
2. In what sense are both Jesus and Peter on trial in this account? What similarities and parallels does Mark include in order to portray this?
3. What is significant about the way that Jesus affirms he is the Messiah in v. 62? By drawing on the imagery of Daniel 7 and Psalm 110, what is Jesus saying to his "judges"?
4. What does Peter's "trial" reveal about his heart, about what he was truly valuing on that night? How can you relate?
5. How should Peter's failure serve as a warning to us? And how does it serve as an incredible encouragement to us as well?
6. What does this passage show you about Jesus that moves you to love and trust him more?

## CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Presbyterian Church in America

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