

**“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.”  
~ John 15:16-17**



**CORNERSTONE**  
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

September 17th, 2023

## Joshua 2

**“Promised Land and Promised Life: The Risk in Faith”**

By: Pastor Ron Sylvester

	Adults	High School, Middle School, & Elementary	Nursery Ages 0-5
10am	Church Starts		
20 min	Worship in Song		Nursery Available (downstairs)
30 min	Teaching / Preaching		
30 min	Small Groups		
Location	Group 1, 2, 3 and Zoom (upstairs)	High School, Middle School & Elementary School (downstairs)	
5 min	Return to Sanctuary (nursery return to parents in the sanctuary)		

Join our Zoom Small Group at 10:55  
 Meeting ID: 856 3379 6885  
 Passcode: Welcome

**Scripture Readers:**  
 9/17 Brian Donaldson  
 9/24 Paula Sylvester  
 10/1 Diana Walker-Moyer  
 10/8 TBD



**Assistive Listening System Available upon request**

1. What prompted Rahab to take a risk and hide these spies?
2. This passage seems to suggest its acceptable to lie if it serves a good purpose or work. Do you think that is an acceptable conclusion? ( Note: Ex. 20:16; Prov.12:22; Col. 3:9,10; 1 Tim. 1:10 )
3. What does this passage teach us about the effect of one person's faith for good or bad? Is there an inference for our our family? Our church? Our community?
4. Joshua sent out spies into the land without God telling him to do so. The last time spies were sent into the land, it turned into a disaster. He took the initiative. When should we take the initiative in our faith walk?
5. We see both Rahab and Joshua's faith in action. Why must genuine faith express itself in action?

# Discussion Questions:

	Worship		Small Groups					
	Nursery 1st	Nursery 2nd	Nursery 1st	Nursery 2nd	Elem. 1st	Elem. 2nd	Youth 1st	Youth 2nd
9/17	No Childcare Offered		Next Gen - Monique and Mackenna					
9/24	Jean	Katie	Ann	Katie	Jean	Julia	Youth Upstairs	
10/1	Keri	Ruthie	Keri	Clara	Kristy	Ruthie	Mackenna	Bari
10/8	Mackenna	Angela and Alexa	Mackenna	Angela and Alexa	Monique	Catherine	Bari	



## OFFICE HOURS:

Pastor Ron: Tues 10am-3pm , Wed 3-7pm

Mackenna (NEXT Gen): Thurs 4:30-6:30pm

Keri (Office Admin): Tues & Wed 10-1, Fri 10-2

\*\*Hours are always subject to change

## Our Week, 9/17-9/23/23

### Sunday

- 10:00 Worship
- 10:20 Sermon
- 10:55 Small Groups
- 11:25 Sermon Recap

### Monday

Women's Ministry (9/18) 7-9  
at the Bradshaw's

### Thursday

*NO Youth Group (9/21)*

### Friday

Prayer Meeting (9/22), 7pm on Zoom  
Meeting Code: 811 2362 6357,  
Password: *Prayer*

Youth Lock-In (9/22) at 6pm - Sat. at 8am

### Saturday

Women's Hike (9/23) at 9am

*\*\*Next Elders Meeting(10/4)*

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Starting ***THIS SUNDAY***, we will return to collecting an offering as part of our Sunday Worship Service. We are blessed to worship in this way.

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We have four options:

1. Online giving via [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly)
2. Mail a check
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5. Offering in Service



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Elder Meeting  
Minutes





# Men's Retreat

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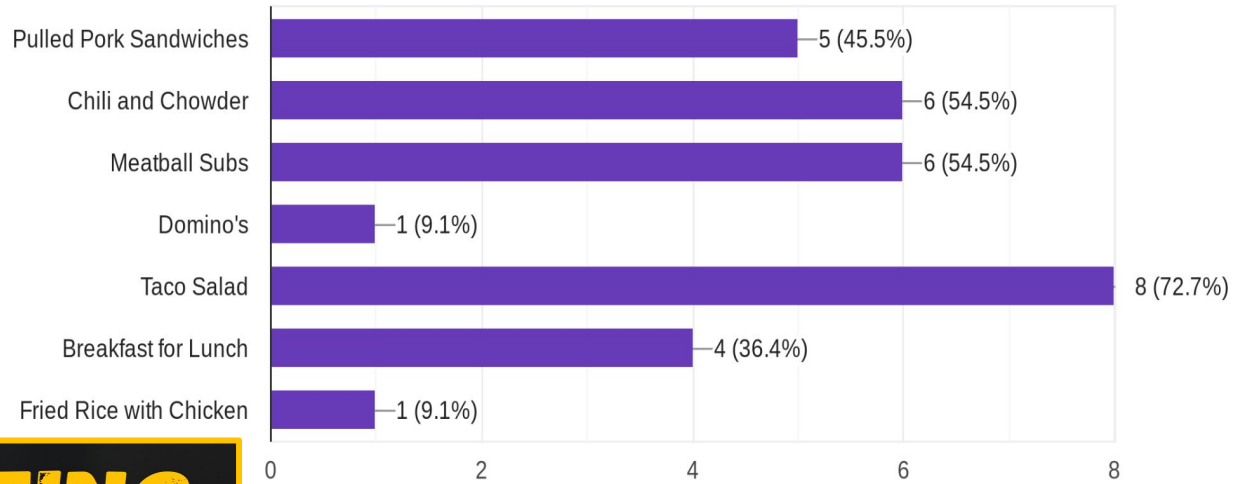
September 29-October 1



Thanks to everyone who responded to the Communion Luncheon Survey. Taco Salad was a clear winner! We also got lots of great ideas for future luncheons as well. Watch for new meals coming up soon.

1. Which was your favorite meal? Choose your top 3.

11 responses



## PRAYER MEETING

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

7:00 ON ZOOM

MEETING CODE: 811 2362 6357

PASSWORD: PRAYER

## UPDATING CORI FORMS:

Please see list on Welcome Desk to see if you need to fill out a CORI Form.

A CORI is **needed** if you work with children, on a committee alongside children or if you are a key holder.

**Benevolence Fund:** Cornerstone Church maintains a Benevolence Fund whose purpose is to assist Cornerstone members or attenders with an acute or unexpected financial need. Please do not hesitate to approach one of the Elders or Deacons if you are in need. Your request will be addressed confidentially. As stewards of the gifts we have received, it is our joy to assist others in this way.

1 John 3:17-18



# YOUTH Group

**Thursdays Evenings**  
**Middle and High School**

**6:30-8PM**

# YOUTH LOCK-IN

Mark you calendars!  
September 22nd, 6pm - 23rd, 8am

**Monday Nights**  
**7-9pm**

**Come,  
Watch,  
and  
Discuss  
with us.**

AT THE BRADSHAW HOME

**WHEN YOU PRAY**

WOMEN'S MINISTRY STUDY  
STARTING SEPTEMBER 18

Women Hike Mt. Wachusett

**RESCHEDULED!**

**SATURDAY  
SEPT. 23**

Meet at the Church at 9  
We'll drive together.  
Don't Hike?  
Meet us at the top using  
the Access Road

**Healthy Church:** As we enter the cold, cough, and COVID season, the Deacons ask our fellow members and attenders to please take care of themselves, stay home when not feeling well, and feel free to wear masks whenever they feel it appropriate to do so. We want to continue to enjoy healthy fellowship with everyone!

## Women's Ministry Fire Pit

October 14 @ 7:30pm  
at the Bradshaws

## BLOOD DRIVE Saturday, October 14

9am-2pm, by appointment

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# *Pray with us - Pastoral Search Committee*

God in heaven, we thank you that you are mindful of us and our church. We know that you are above us and are fully in control of all circumstances. We thank you that we don't have to be concerned about the amount of progress or the lack of progress, as you will work all of this out for the good in your perfect time. Bless us as we continue looking to you. Amen.



**GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR  
PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE?**



**FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO US AT**

***PASTORALSEARCH.CORNERSTONE@GMAIL.COM***

Wondering what happens at the Pastoral Search Committee Meetings? You can check out the meeting notes to see!



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