



Corinth

REFORMED CHURCH

You Matter. You Belong. You Serve.

Worship With Us on Sunday, August 28

- 8:30am Sunrise Worship (Sanctuary)
 - 9:45am Sunday School
 - 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
 - 11:00am Contemporary Worship (Bost Memorial Hall)
 - 11:00am CORE Kids Worship (Abernethy Student Center)
- Join us online, corinthtoday.org/live

To prepare for worship, read 2 Samuel 6:1-15.

"The Corinthian"

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Pastors' Prayer List

Congratulations

- **Ocie Solana York**, born August 29 to Latham and Taylor York latham.york@gmail.com

Health Concerns

- **Gene Holland** (Frye) b.gh@charter.net
- **Pam Harwell** (surgery Aug 26) Judy Allran's friend judyLou52@charter.net
- **Jim Woody** (surgery Aug 30, Duke) Diane Camp's brother-in-law d_camp_1225@hotmail.com
- **Arnie Morrow** (test, Sep 2) morrowfam@charter.net

Recent Deaths

- **Ann Brown Boucher** (Aug 19, Lakeland, FL) Carrie Deleary's father's wife deleary@charter.net

Families of the Week: Nina Hawthorne; Shane & Autumn Hawthorne; Will Hawthorne; Charlie & Kimberly Hayes; Dennis Haynes (Abigayle, Noah, Madalyn & Jacob); Teal Haynes (Abigayle, Noah, Madalyn & Jacob); Brian & Melody Heath (Nolan & Benny); Sara Heath; Chuck & Kelly Heavner (Cole); Cory Heavner; Debbie Heavner; Kyle Heavner

Coming Up at Corinth

For updates and more details, visit CorinthToday.org/now and Facebook.com/CorinthReformed.

Wed 8/31 — Confirmation Orientation, 5pm, Sanctuary. Students entering grade 6+ are invited to join the 2022-23 Confirmation class. The orientation session will help even if you have not decided whether to participate. For more info, email Pastor Amy, amy@corinthtoday.org.

Wed 8/31 — Youth Kickoff & Parent Meeting, 6pm, Bost Memorial Hall. All rising 6th-12th graders and their parents are invited to dinner and brief overview about the topics for the upcoming year. There will be a Foam Party on the front lawn for the kids.

Sat 9/3 — Anxiety Support Group, 10am, Mitchell House Room 207.

Sun 9/4 — Morning Worship. We will celebrate Communion in all services.

Mon 9/5 — Church office closed. Have a safe Labor Day weekend!

Tue 9/6 — Church-wide Prayer Time, 6pm, Althouse Room. Everyone is invited to a time of prayer for our church, community, nation, and world.

Wed 9/7 — First Communion Class, 5pm, Sanctuary. This 4-week class is for children in 3rd grade and up, to prepare them to participate in the sacrament of Communion. To register your child for the class, email Pastor Amy, amy@corinthtoday.org.

Wed 9/7 — Wednesday Night Programs Resume. Dinner (BBQ Night) begins at 5:15pm, followed by classes for children, youth, and adults.



Sunday, August 28

Giving: Online corinthtoday.org/give
Text "Corinth" to 73256
Mail check to 150 16th Ave NW, Hickory NC 28601

Offerings: \$34,239 for General Fund
\$146,886 needed by September 30

Ways to Connect and Serve

Divorce Care. This support group meets on Wednesdays, 6:15-8pm, starting Sept 7. Work through topics of loneliness, financial survival, new relationships, anger, forgiveness, and more. For more info, contact Marc & Jenny Bailey, divorcecareassist@gmail.com.

Tacos and Trivia. All young adults (20s & 30s) are invited to a night of Tacos and Trivia, Friday, Sept 9, 6-8pm in the Althouse Room. To RSVP or reserve childcare, email office@corinthtoday.org by September 5.

College Care Packages. Sign up now for your student to receive care packages from Corinth's Student Ministry team. Please email the student's name, address, school, year in school and email address to Tanya Russell, tanya@leadstrength.com, by September 6.

Wilderness Ministry. Join us for a hike at Mountain Creek Park on Saturday, Sept 10. Bring the family and we will adjust the hike to our group. Meet in the Corinth parking lot at 9am to caravan or meet at the park at 10am. RSVP to Adam Payne, jadam318@yahoo.com.

Spiritual Gifts. Discover what your spiritual gifts are and learn how to use them. This 4 week class begins Sunday, Sept 11, 12:15pm and includes lunch. To register, email Patter Cross, patter@corinthtoday.org. Childcare is available.

God, Money and You. Confused about how to start your journey toward financial freedom? Study what God's Word says about money, create a budget, and learn how to plan for your future. This class is available (for adults 14+) beginning Sunday, Sept 11, 9:45am in the Mitchell House Room 201. For more info, email Cory Wiles, c.wiles1001@gmail.com.

Refresh for Moms. Save the date for Wednesday, Sept 14, 9:30-11:30am for our kickoff event featuring guest speaker Amanda Bacon from Proverbs 31 Ministries. Moms of all ages are encouraged to attend! Childcare is available, bit.ly/RefreshNursery.

Communion Servers. If you are a former member of the Consistory at Corinth and would like to assist in serving communion in the future, please email Patter, patter@corinthtoday.org.

Heart of the Holidays - Saturday, October 29

Register Now! bit.ly/HeartHoliday

Join us for a morning of HOLIDAY inspiration and creation! This fun-filled event includes breakfast and your choice of two holiday make & take breakout sessions. All ladies of Corinth and the community are welcome! Childcare is not available.

For questions, email Mandi Long, long.mandi@gmail.com



Realm Emails. If you are not currently receiving weekly emails from Pastor Bob about the pastoral transition, email barb@corinthtoday.org.


Sermon Bible Studies. If you wish to receive weekly emails from Pastor Bob with the following Sunday's sermon text and a guide for personal or group Bible study, email barb@corinthtoday.org.

Thank You Corinth!

To thank Corinth members for anything, please email barb@corinthtoday.org.

Vladimir Khudyakov thanks everyone who brought food or helped him during his eye surgery.

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
*Worship Schedule 8:30am Sunrise Worship (Sanctuary) 11am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) 11am Contemporary Worship (Bost Memorial Hall) 11am CORE Kids Worship grades K-5 (Abernethy Student Center)	** Wednesday Night Programming 5:00pm First Communion 5:15pm Fellowship Dinner 6:15pm Nursery Care (birth thru age 3) 6:15pm Women's Bible Study 6:30pm CORE Kids (age 4 - 5th grade) Youth CREW (grades 6-12) Men's Bible Study Sermon Series Bible Study	1 8am Men's Bible Study	2	3 10am Anxiety Support Group		
4 Worship* with Communion	5 Labor Day Church Office Closed	6 Weekday Preschool Begins 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Women's Bible Study 1:15pm Women's Prayer 6pm Elder-led Prayer 7pm Elders	7 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:15am Women's Bible Study 11am Sermon Study Wednesday Night Programming** and Dinners Begin	8 8am Men's Bible Study 10am Women's Bible Study 7pm Crosstalk (Families Anon.)	9	10
11 Worship* 12:15pm Corinth 101 12:15pm Spiritual Gifts Class	12 2pm GriefShare	13 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Women's Bible Study 1:15pm Women's Prayer 7pm Ministry Boards	14 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Refresh for Moms 9:30am Women's Bible Study 11am Sermon Study Wednesday Night Programming**	15 8am Men's Bible Study 10am Women's Bible Study 6pm Date Night	16	17 10am Anxiety Support Group
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Mon-Thurs 9:00am — 4:00pm
Fri 9:00am — 12:00pm

Pastor's Pen — "Changing and Staying the Same"



Sydney J. Harris, a twentieth century Chicago journalist, wrote, "Our dilemma is that we hate change and love it at the same time."

What's changing in your world? Are the kids growing up too fast? Has your health deteriorated? Do you have a new job? Has your faith grown? Have you lost a friend, a family member, or a pet? Or maybe found one? Are you facing change that's out of your control? Do you wish things would change but there's no prospect?

There's nothing consistent about change except change. Changes might be good or bad. Some changes start well but become terrible – as when a relationship becomes abusive. Other changes might be hard at first but turn out great – the children leave home, but then flourish.

Last Tuesday, 8/23, Chad Hall led our staff, elders, and Consistory in an evening's worth of reflection, conversation, and prayer about the Big Change coming to Corinth. He asked us to share our feelings (Google "feelings wheel"), which is easier for some of us than others.

Chad then asked the group to write on wall charts their yes and no wish lists for change at Corinth when a new pastor comes. Some examples:

Please deliver to:

What I hope stays the same: 3 worship services, multi-generational, truth with grace, Sunday School, essentials v. non-essentials

What I hope changes: more volunteers, diversity of membership, more emphasis on evangelism

The details don't matter as much as that we're talking about them. It is critical to share our feelings, memories, hopes, and fears. And to pray about them – individually and together. Prayer is one way we actively participate in change. Oswald Chambers wrote, "To say that prayer changes things is not as close to the truth as saying prayer changes me and I change things."

If you want to pray more about changes at Corinth, pick up a copy of "Thirty Days of Prayer" at church or email amy@corinthtoday.org to receive a daily email.

If you want to talk more about the changes and you are not committed to another class, email bob@corinthtoday.org to join my Sunday School class this fall. We will be reading and discussing a short book I wrote this summer, *The Unity of Grace: A Corinth Journey*. The class begins September 4. The book will be available to all of you mid-October.

-Bob Thompson, Pastor