



# THE COURT STREET COURIER

February 2026



**CORNERSTONE**  
Global Methodist Church

## A Note from Pastor Nathan

As “Christians” we know we should “love God” – but what’s the most important thing that we can do that expresses that?

- Obey God’s rules? (“I want to be good, so I’ll get rewarded by God and not punished!”)
- Act on God’s instructions and principles? (“I’ll follow the basic instructions before leaving earth—the B.I.B.L.E.—and that will help me lead a good and prosperous life”)
- Do great acts of sacrificial service for God? (“God expects me to do great things of great sacrifice for God or else I’ve let God down!”)
- Discern the will of God in each and every thing to meet God’s expectations? (“God, tell me what you want me to do here and there and here and there and here and there...and I’ll do it!”)



An interesting book I just read pointed out that all of these goals are important in their own way and all have some Bible passages to support them, but if any of these become more important than directly appreciating God for who God is and His love for us, then we start to focus on external things rather than inner connection with the God who just wants to be “with” us.

It’s like going on a great vacation to your favorite spot in the world with your best friend, and then getting stressed and worn out trying to do this and this and this and see that and that and that and that...and at the end of the vacation you’re like, “UGH—I should have just slowed down, enjoyed the scenery and had some relaxed laughs with my friend!”

So here are a few passages worth pondering for a few minutes in a relaxed environment,

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to hopefully draw you back into the presence of the God who just wants to be WITH you:  
**Psalm 136:1 – “Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever.”**  
[Forever is a long time! ☺]

**Romans 8:8 – “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us....”** [He reached out to save and be with us before we did anything at all to earn or deserve it!]

**John 14:16-17 -- Jesus replied, “...keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever — the Spirit of truth.”** [And, forever is a long time! ☺]

“The best of all is, God is with us.” –18<sup>th</sup> century church leader John Wesley’s last words.



## WOMEN IN MISSION Rummage Sale 2026

Friday, March 6 - 9am to 6pm,  
Saturday, March 7 - 9am to 1pm

### DONATE ITEMS

Bring “your stuff” to the BFLC Cafe Feb. 22nd to  
March 1st



Volunteer Sign-ups



### DONATE TIME

Volunteers are needed in the mornings or afternoons

For more information call or text: Mary Anne Wenner (937-578-8527) or  
Barbara Lewis (937-707-4525)

#### We accept (in gently used condition please):

- Clothing (men's, women's, children, infant)
- Shoes & Accessories
- Jewelry and watches
- Working small appliances and lamps
- Kitchen items
- Home décor
- Kids items
- Books
- Linens (towels/comforters/sheets)
- Furniture, larger items – chairs, tables, desks, nightstands, dressers, end tables, coffee tables, small bookcases, small entertainment center.

**NOTE – Furniture/large items are accepted on  
Wednesday March 4th ONLY!!**

#### We do NOT accept:

- Damaged or dirty clothing or items, nothing with rips/stains
- Household items not in working order
- VCR Tapes/Cassettes/DVD's/CD's
- No large appliances
- No Computer parts
- No Car parts
- No Box televisions (Working flat screen tv's are acceptable)
- No liquid items (such as paint, cleaning supplies)
- Infant products such as car seats, cribs, pack and play
- No furniture outside of list above – no large entertainment centers, sofa's, sectionals, piano's, mattresses

# Retired Members' Birthdays/Anniversaries, Financial News & Announcements



2 Mary Gallogly  
4 Ron Ardrey  
6 Barbara Timmons-Herron  
7 Russ Harwood  
8 Tom Hampton  
10 Thomas Kramer  
16 Martha Smith  
24 Carolyn Ardrey  
25 Sue Graham



6 Larry & Debbie George  
14 Bob & Kay Scott



## Seniors:

WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR NAME  
ADDED TO OUR BIRTHDAY AND/OR  
ANNIVERSARY LIST  
IN THE COURT STREET COURIER?

WE'D BE HAPPY TO ADD YOU!!

Please notify the office:  
[janet@ourcornerstone.org](mailto:janet@ourcornerstone.org)  
or call 937-642-4712

## Multi-generational ASH WEDNESDAY Worship

*Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return.*

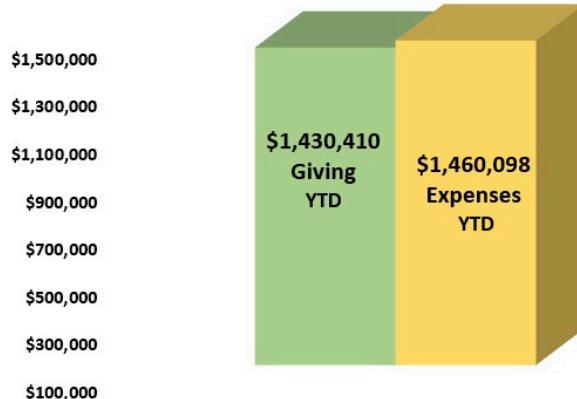
**February 18th @ 7 PM  
in the Sanctuary**

**"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep." John 10:11 NLT**

## Financial News



### Giving vs Expenses Year to Date Dec 2025



### Giving vs Budget Year to Date Dec 2025



## Men's Breakfast



**Open Mic:  
How's God Working?**

**Saturday  
Feb. 21st  
8am  
BCR/Cafe**

**RSVP  
Required**

Church Center App  
or email  
[peggy@ourcornerstone.org](mailto:peggy@ourcornerstone.org)

# Family Spotlight

## Meet Curt & Chelsea Smith

Curt was born and raised in Chillicothe, Ohio, by his parents, Mel and Patti Smith, along with his sister, Aubre. He graduated from Chillicothe High School in 2009, where he participated in Track & Field, Football, and 4-H. After high school, he attended The Ohio State University and earned a degree in Construction Management. Curt currently works in Columbus as a Project Manager for a general contractor.

Chelsea grew up here in Marysville in the home of her parents Gordy and Dawn Burns and brother Logan. She graduated from Marysville High school in 2010 where she played volleyball and softball and participated in 4-H and FFA. Chelsea went on to study Business Administration Marketing at Otterbein University. She added on a teaching license shortly after graduation and has been teaching business to high school students the past nine years. She recently was hired to be the internship coordinator at MHS.

Curt and Chelsea met while she was taking a course for a specialized minor degree at OSU. At the time, they were just friends until several years later Chelsea (finally) decided that she wanted to be more than friends. They were married in the summer in 2019 and welcomed their first daughter Rori in 2022, and their second daughter Hattie in 2023.

Chelsea enjoys being active outdoors with her family, hosting, cooking and baking, doing small house projects and being creative when she has a chance. Curt also enjoys spending time with his family, along with tinkering on projects, watching football, and being outdoors.

Chelsea grew up attending Claiborne UMC but attended youth ministry here at Cornerstone. She has wonderful memories attending Outbreak and Quake events as well as going through confirmation and participating in the S.O.S mission trip. Curt grew up in a small church outside of Chillicothe that his father preached in.

Curt and Chelsea were looking for a church to plant their roots and decided to try Cornerstone. They began attending Cornerstone regularly in 2022. Rori fell in love with Eliza and the other nursery staff instantly, and they knew there was no better place for them to grow their family and their faith. The warmth and joy they feel walking with their daughters into Cornerstone's doors is something that they look forward to every chance they get. Both Curt and Chelsea's parents have started attending Cornerstone as well. It is so special to have the entire family there worshiping together.

Chelsea helps teach the 9:00am KICK preschool class and attends the Wednesday Night Discovery Bible Study. She also helps to support her mom in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter at MHS/MECHS.

After learning that their first daughter was on the way, both Curt and Chelsea began to take their faith much more seriously and committing time intentionally to prayer and reading the Bible. While they have a long way to go, they are grateful that God pulled them back in after straying away for a time. Cornerstone was a part of that process and continues to challenge and motivate them to grow spiritually. Chelsea's favorite stretch of verses is James 1: 2-4 because it reminds her of God's goodness and faithfulness to us in all circumstances. Curt's is Revelation 19:11.

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# Family Spotlight

Cornerstone has been a necessary part in helping their family to work towards being all that God desires them to be. Cornerstone Loves God, Loves People, and Serves Both, and through living out that mission statement, they are empowering families like the Smith's to grow and serve others.



# 2026



DOORS OPEN: 6:00PM

Showtime  
7:00pm

## Admission

Single Show Tickets: \$30

Tickets can be purchased:

Online @ [iTickets.com](https://www.itickets.com)

Via phone @ 800-965-9324

Church Office

At the Door of each concert



# Happenings Around Church

## Bluegrass Concert - Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers

January 9, 2026



## Chancel Choir Retreat

January 10, 2026



## Quilt Sunday

January 11, 2026



# Happenings Around Church

## Quake-Breakfast Club

January 13 & 27, 2026



## Men's Breakfast

January 17, 2026



## Quake - Fellowship Meal

January 4, 2026



# Upcoming Dates

**Wednesday morning groups at the church:** 7am Men's Bible Study, 9am Golden Girls, 10:30am Faith Sisters  
All welcomed to any group!

**Wednesday evening groups at the church:** 6:30pm (Various Adult Classes, Outbreak, and KICK Club)  
For more information check the church calendar, with the ministry leader, or Pastor Peggy  
(Pastor Peggy - [peggy@ourcornerstone.org](mailto:peggy@ourcornerstone.org))

Feb 1	9am	Join Our Church Family Class (Room 155)
Feb 3	12pm	Cornerstone Crocheters (Room 157)
Feb 3	6pm	Caring Hearts Grief Support Group (Courtyard)
Feb 6	7pm	Bluegrass Concert-Pitney Meyer (Doors open 6pm, concert 7pm)
Feb 8	9am	Join Our Church Family Class (Room 155)
Feb 8	6pm	Quake - Fellowship Meal (BFLC)
Feb 9	9am	Christian Quilters (Room 157)
Feb 10	6:15am	Breakfast Club (McDonald's by Kroger)
Feb 13-15		Confirmation Retreat (at church)
Feb 15	10:30am	Join Our Church Family (Room 155)
Feb 15		No Quake
Feb 16	7pm	Monthly Game Night-Turkey Foot Dominos (BCR)
Feb 17	6pm	Caring Hearts Grief Support Group (Courtyard)
Feb 18	7pm	Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary, No KICK Club, Outbreak or classes)
Feb 21	8am	Men's Breakfast (BCR)
Feb 22	10:30am	Join Our Church Family Class (Room 155)
Feb 22	2pm	Rummage Sale Donation Drop Off starts through March 1st (BCR)
Feb 23	9am	Christian Quilters (Room 157)
Feb 24	6:15am	Breakfast Club (McDonald's by Kroger)

Notify the church office, if you would like added to the Court Street Courier mailing.