

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CHRONICLE

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven 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 and ever." Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13

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From the Superintendent's Desk

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As the leader of the nation of Israel, Moses was known for his boldness in approaching God, but also for his humility. As they neared the Promised Land, Moses began to question the Lord earnestly. *"See, you say to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people."* Moses asked the question, "As I lead these people, who will lead me? Where will I find counsel? How will I know where to lead?" The Lord gave His promise. *"My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."*

The Lord's promise to Moses is the same promise given to us. He will be with you and in abiding with Him, there is rest. But Moses is not finished with his questions of the Lord. *"If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?"* What will identify us as your people, God? What will make us distinct from the nations and people around us? What will mark us as your servants? "Please, Lord," is his request, "Your Presence must go with us." (Exodus 33)

The prayer of Moses is often echoed in my prayers for Cornerstone Christian School in this school year. I am in need of His leading, His Presence, and His favor. This is the prayer of my heart- I need Your presence to go with me, Lord. And His gentle voice answers, *"Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* (Matthew 28:20)

August

Aug 8-9 Book Covering Sessions
Aug 8-14 Teacher In-Service
Aug 14 Teacher Meet & Greet, 4-6pm
Aug 15 1st Day of High School:
Noon Dismissal
Aug 16 1st Day of K-8
Noon Dismissal; HS Full Day
Aug 17 1st Day of Pre-School
Aug 18 1st Day of Pre-K
Aug 21 Kindergarten Begin Full Days
Aug 22 Picture Day
Aug 25 Back to School Social
Aug 28 PTF Meeting; Light House Cafe

September

Sept 1 Midterm
Sept 4 No School, Labor Day
Sept 8 Midterm Grades Sent Home
Sept 11 Parent Meeting

CCS 2023-24 School Theme Verse:

**After this manner therefore pray ye:
Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom
come, Thy will be done in 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, for ever. Amen.
Matthew 6:9-13 KJV**

Notes from the Front Office:

HOT LUNCHES

We will begin serving Hot Lunch on Thursday, August 17th!

Orders for August are due in the Family Portal by Thursday, August 10th.

Payments for lunches are due the first day of school; we operate on a pre-pay basis only. Please note, there has been a small increase in the cost of both hot lunches and milk.



Book Covering Sessions

August 8th and 9th from 9am-1pm in the Elementary Cafeteria

A great way to help our wonderful teachers prepare their books and papers for the upcoming school year!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

One of the trademarks for Cornerstone and the blessing of our families is your commitment to volunteering at the school.

**Please sign up HERE if you'd like to help us out this year as a Lunch, Recess or Morning Greeter Volunteer.
Thank you!**

Welcome Back to School!

Meet your teacher, See your school!

Monday, August 14th 4-6pm

**Friday, August 25th
6:30-8:00pm**

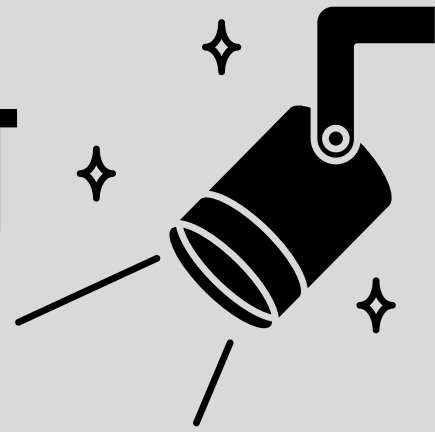
Please join us for a fun social time at the park! This will be a casual time of games like volleyball, corn hole, nine square, and maybe a friendly competition or two, as well as enjoying a free treat from the Kona Ice truck!

**Sun Valley Park/Aspen Park
Aspen Dr, Bellevue**

*Bring lawn chairs!
(There is no seating on site)
*Bottled water and Kona ice will be provided
(Kona Ice truck on site from 7-8pm)

CORNERSTONE'S STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Julie Thenn
Art Teacher



Mrs. Thenn is originally from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and moved to Omaha this summer from Michigan. Growing up in Christian schools, Julie attended Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois and played soccer there for four years. During that time, she worked for Missionary Athletes International and coached soccer for children ages five to thirteen and shared the gospel message through their summer soccer camps. After college, Julie worked for a large financial firm as the Director of Career Development and also received her Masters in Business Administration from Columbia College. However, she felt the Lord leading her towards a career in teaching, so she began working in the public schools in Hawaii. During that time, she spent a lot of time teaching Sunday School, directing Vacation Bible School, and coaching several youth soccer teams. After the COVID pandemic began, Mrs. Thenn began homeschooling her three children, then worked as an art teacher and kindergarten teacher at a local hybrid school. Over the past years Julie has taught the classes Art Around the World, Art in Nature, and Famous Artist in You.

Julie is married to Ron, and all three of her children will be attending Cornerstone this fall. Caleb will be in 8th grade, Elyse will be in 6th grade, and Gideon will be in 4th grade. The Thenn's are a military family, and they have lived in several different states, including Hawaii and Alaska! It has been amazing for them to see how God continues to provide a church home and Christian friends and mentors, as well as people whom He strategically places in their path to share the gospel message with in each location they have been. This is the Thenn's first year at CCS, Julie as the new art teacher and her children in elementary and middle school. They are very excited to be a part of the Cornerstone family and are looking forward to building friendships with the students!

Favorite Scripture: Julie has two favorite Scripture passages.

Philippians 4:6-7, which says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Micah 7:7, which says, "But as for me, I will look to the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me."





August



Cornerstone Christian School

Educating children to become learners – equipped with Godly character and Biblical Truth

September 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Book Covering Sessions	Teacher In-service 9 Book Covering Sessions	Teacher In-service 10	Teacher In-service 11	12
13	Teacher In-service 14 "Meet Your Teacher" Open House	1 st Day HS (Half Day) 15	1 st Day K-8 th (Half) 16 HS Full Day	1 st Day of Pre-School 17	1 st Day of Pre-K 18 High School Retreat	19
20	Kinder Full Days 21	Picture Day 22	23	24 Volleyball CCS vs Cedarbluff / Parkview HS XCcountry Auburn Invite HS Football @ Humboldt- Tablerock-Steinauer	25 Tennis vs Benson MS School Retreat	26
27	28	29	30 Tennis vs Roncalli Catholic	31 Volleyball CCS vs Schuyler HS HS XCcountry Concordia Invite Tennis vs Omaha North		

- All Dates & Times Subject to Change -