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*"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you
I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." ~ Isaiah 41:10*

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From the Superintendent's Desk

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*Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!
That calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and
wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, And oft escaped the tempter's
snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!
Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!
Thy wings shall my petition bear to him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul
to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!
William Walford, English pastor in the 1800's*

The beautiful and profound hymn of the 1800's written by the blind pastor of England known for quoting the Psalms and Gospels word for word and without error and known for his timely messages to his congregation could be rewritten for today:

*Sweet minute of prayer. Sweet minute of prayer. I will hurry back to the world of
care. The Father's throne can wait for me and He knows my wishes and my wants
and in my times of grief and anxiety, I will turn to something to entertain and help
me escape. One day I will return to an hour of prayer.*

According to a Barna Research study in 2003, the average Christian in the United States spent only one minute a day in prayer and their research shows that pastors average only five minutes a day in prayer. Another study conducted in 2005 by Ellison Research for Life Way Christian Resources, says that the median amount of prayer time per day for a pastor is 30 minutes. Whether the 2022 average for the believing Christian is a minute or thirty minutes, the Lord has an instruction for us found in His word, **"Pray without ceasing."**

Yes, those are His words to us, His children. *"Pray without ceasing."* (1 Thessalonians 5:17) The Lord calls us into this humbleness in His presence, an abiding in the shelter of His wings, a closeness to His heart, talking to the One who loves us most. May our prayer be the request of His disciples, *"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray.'*" (Luke 11:1)

Yes, let our prayer be that simple and fervent request, "Lord, teach me to pray as You pray. Help me see others as You see them. Let me know Your grace and truth. Guide me in Your wisdom and discernment. Protect me. Provide for Your children. Let me walk close to Your Heart, hearing Your voice. And Lord, show me Your glory. Yes, Lord, teach us to pray."

*Prayer should not be regarded as a duty which must be performed,
but rather as a privilege to be enjoyed." E.M. Bounds*

Events & Info

November

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| Nov 2 | Beyond the Bell; Legos K-5 3:30-5pm |
| Nov 4 | Midterm |
| Nov 7 | PTF Meeting; 7pm |
| Nov 9 | Beyond the Bell; Legos K-5 3:30-5pm |
| Nov 10 | Midterm Grades Sent Home |
| Nov 11 | No School; Veterans Day |
| Nov 15 | HS Orientation; 7pm |
| Nov 17 | Thanksgiving Meal Lunch |
| Nov 17 | Fall Athletic Awards Night |
| Nov 23-25 | No School; Thanksgiving Break |

High School Orientation November 15th at 7 pm High School Chapel

This evening is for families with eighth graders. It will be an introduction to the CCS High School program. Teachers will be sharing what to expect and there will be Q & A. Please RSVP to the Front Office by e-mailing us at office@ccsnebraska.org.

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| Dec 8 | K-5 Christmas Program |
| Dec 15 | MS/HS Christmas Program |
| Dec 20 | Second Quarter Ends |
| Dec 21-31 | No School; Christmas Break |

December

Notes from the Front Office:

Continuing with CCS tradition, all students will be served a Thanksgiving meal for lunch on November 17th! The lunch and one milk will be provided school wide. There will also be options for students with special dietary needs.

More information to come on how you can participate in this tradition!



Inclement Weather?

School snow days and school closings will be announced on television stations WOWT (Channel 6) and KETV (Channel 7).

Cornerstone follows the Bellevue Public School District in the closing of school due to inclement weather and icy roads. Whenever the weather is questionable, tune in to one of these stations.

Pulse Winter Gear Drive November 1-22

The weather is getting colder and P.U.L.S.E (People United Loving Serving Everyone) needs your help! Please donate new or gently used coats, hats, or gloves in the donation boxes found outside of your child's classroom or in common areas around the school. Donations will provide underprivileged kids with winter necessities. The grade with the most donations will win a delicious prize!

PULSE is a high school acts of service club.



IN THE CLASSROOM



The third grade students learn how to make applesauce from scratch!



Second grade students did an experiment with worms to see what substance a worm will burrow in, and how God allows them to burrow to survive.

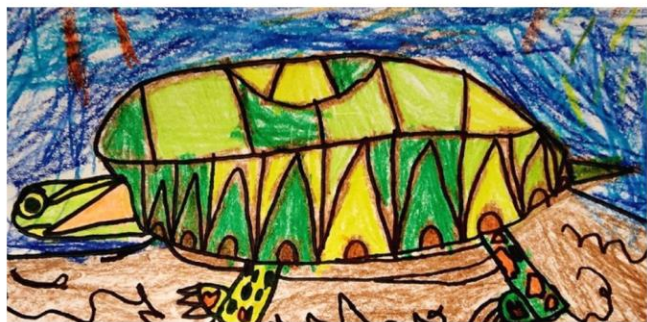
STUDENT GALLERY



Fourth grade students were inspired by the canal houses of Amsterdam!



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CCS sent 24 pieces of art to an art contest held by the Nebraska Game and Wildlife Commission for Reptile Awareness Day. Edi W., a kindergarten student, won 2nd place in the K-2 category; and Mia N., a HS junior, earned an honorable mention in the 9-12 category. They competed against over 400 entries by other K-12 students in the state of Nebraska.



Mia Nieves

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Perry

First Grade Teacher

Mrs. Perry was born and raised in Meridian, Mississippi, and grew up in Christian education from elementary school through college. Tena moved to Florida at the age of 19 and went to Southeastern Bible University, where she received a degree in Elementary Education and Christian Theology in 1987. Mrs. Perry is married to her wonderful husband, Rob. They have one son, Sean (attended CCS for 7th and 8th grade) a beautiful daughter-in-law Allison, one awesome grandson, Michael (7th grader at CCS) and a sweet granddaughter, Ramona who is almost two. Tena also has 2 fur-babies Pip-Squeak and Buster. She has lived in Bellevue, NE for 21 years, before that she lived in Mississippi, Florida, Colorado, California, and even lived and taught in the country of Turkey.

At the early age of six she knew she was going to become a teacher. Tena's motivation for being a teacher comes from somewhere deep within her heart. She loves children and the look that comes across their faces when they finally grasp a concept after they have been trying to truly understand it. She calls these lightbulbs.

Tena started teaching January 1988 and in May 2020, retired. She came to Cornerstone in August 2020 as the first-grade para then was hired to take over Mrs. Sahs first grade class January 2022.

Mrs. Perry's favorite Bible verse:

"being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ" Philippians 1:6



Mrs. Perry, 1st. Grade





IN FOCUS

PICTURE HIGHLIGHTS

4th Grade Retreat!



HARVEST
PARTY FUN!



Kindergarten
students take a
field trip to Arbor
Day Farms!



The HS Photography Class visits Lauritzen Gardens



November



Cornerstone Christian School

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

December 2022

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 Vball State Championships @Lincoln, NE | 5 Vball State Championships @Lincoln, NE |
| 6 Vball State Championships @Lincoln, NE | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 No School, Veterans Day | 12 MS Quiz Bowl @St. Mary, Bellevue |
| 13 | 14 Winter Practice Begins | 15 | 16 | 17 Thanksgiving Meal Lunch | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Thanksgiving Break | 24 Thanksgiving Thanksgiving Break | 25 Thanksgiving Break | 26 |
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