

This Week's Activities September 3-10, 2017

Today

First Service - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes - all ages - 10:15 a.m. Second Service - 11:15 a.m.

Monday

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday

Women's Bible Study, East Wing, 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Hospitality Room, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

WOW Supper, 5:30 p.m. Worship, Sanctuary, 6:15 p.m. Classes for Children, Students and Adults, 6:30 p.m. Choir, Sanctuary, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday

Early Risers Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 8:00 a.m. Guess Who's Coming To Dinner, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 10

Communion Sunday Glen Oaks, 2:00 p.m. One Ancient Hope Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 5:30 p.m. Coram Deo Housekirk, 6:30 p.m. Our Weekly Concerns. New additions will be listed in bold print, and names will be removed upon request. Names left on for more than 3 weeks will be removed at the discretion of the office. Please keep these friends in your prayers: Pastor Todd Stiles and First Family Church, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, Darlene Denison, Tom Edson, David Gaumer, Judy Gaumer, Jonathan Griggs, Ellen Kinnaird, Marie McGhee, Paul MacLafferty, Paul Meinen, Tom and Dianne Paplham, Don Powers, Dallas Robison. Congratulations to: Katie Brown on the birth of her daughter, Hannah Grace Brown. Condolences to: Family and Friends of Bette Jones upon her death; Scott and Amy Withers and family on the death of Amy's grandmother, Gloria Davenport; Val Wilson and family on the death of her father, Harold L. (H. L.) Edwards.



WOW Returns This Wednesday! Several options for learning and spiritual growth are available to kids, students and adults this Fall at WOW! As usual, join us for supper and fellowship in the Great Hall from 5:30 to 6:15 if you wish; worship

from 6:15-6:30 in the Sanctuary; and then to the class of your choice. Review today's insert for the different class offerings and plan to join one beginning this Wednesday! Later this Fall the membership class of Westkirk (the "Explorers") will be led by Pastor Michael. That class will begin on Wednesday evening, October 18 and run for four consecutive Wednesday evenings during WOW.

WOW Menu Hot Dog and Chips, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cup and Cookie

Your September/October/November copy of the Daily Bread is available at the Welcome Center today!

Lunch and Learn. On Tuesday, September 12, at noon in the Great Hall, Westkirk Lunch and Learn will meet for a lunch of pork loin and mashed potatoes. A representative of Ruth Harbor will speak to us. If you can attend, please sign up on the Connect Card no later than Sunday, September 10. We will be finished by 1 p.m. in case you have things to do in the afternoon.

September Communion Offering. Westkirk member, Darius Togba, and his friend, Philip Chayee of Meredith Drive Reformed Church, have teamed up to pursue what God has laid on their hearts – bringing relief, development and hope to their home county in

war-torn Liberia. Former refugees of the war, the two men formed Child Relief Foundation, a non-profit organization with initial plans to build a Christian 7th thru 12th grade middle and high school that will serve over 400 young students.

At present, children in Grand Gedeh County only have access to education through the 6th grade. Less than 5% of children have the means to continue their education in distant cities due to the expense and difficulty of living away from home. Without this higher education, children must support themselves and families with subsistence labor such as hunting wild game, farming or working in mines.

Darius and Philip have already made two trips to Liberia to begin groundwork for the school. Local community and county leaders have welcomed their project with open arms by clearing bureaucratic hurdles, donating land for the school, and arranging for all volunteer labor to build the facility. Materials will be their only expense. The location of the school has already been cleared and leveled. Please consider partnering with Darius and Philip to fulfill their vision with your prayers and financial gift. Thank you and God bless!

Urbandale Food Pantry Item for September - Bars of Soap

Choir. Reminder that the Westkirk Choir will begin its new rehearsal time this Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. The choir rehearses once a week and the music ranges from hymn arrangements to contemporary gospel music and is accessible to a wide range of ability levels. If

worship through choral music is something you need more of in your life, come and join our community! In addition to singers of all voice parts, we are currently looking for anyone who could contribute to our ministry by accompanying on the piano. Questions? See Jordan Pohlmann, Director of Vocal Music.

Samaritan's Purse Needs Volunteers for Flood Relief. Samaritan's Purse staff and disaster relief units are on the ground in coastal Texas and ready to help homeowners devastated by Hurricane Harvey's ravaging winds and catastrophic flooding. They are going to need an army of volunteers to help tear out damaged drywall, remove flooring, tarp roofs, and clear debris from flooded homes. Most importantly, they'll be there to show storm victims the love of Christ and share the eternal hope of the Gospel with them. The people living along the Texas coast desperately need our prayers and help. Would you prayerfully consider joining one of their volunteer teams as they serve in Jesus' name to re**store hope to these hurting people?** For more information go to Samaritanspurse.org and click on the link to start the online volunteer application. All the details are on the web site. Please continue to lift up the people of Texas in your prayers. Contact Sue Holcomb and the Evangelism Commission for more information.



opportunity for them to learn about Christ and His love for them. Great deals on supplies can be found for shoeboxes as you shop for your own children. Please consider buying extra!

Did you know... It takes over 30 hours of volunteer time to fully staff Children's Ministry each week? This is a blessing from the Lord and an amazing indicator of growth in our church family! Volunteers are needed for WOW and especially for the Nursery.

This is a great opportunity for all adults, especially those without young children at home, to invest themselves in the next generation!

Please pray about how the Lord would have you be involved, and contact Benae Duff for more information - (515) 707-9072 or benaeduff@westkirk.org. Thank you!

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