

January 27 - February 3, 2019

Today

First Service, 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes, all ages, 10:15 a.m. Second Service, 11:15 a.m. Potluck, Great Hall, 5:00 p.m. Annual Meeting, Sanctuary, 6:00 p.m.

Monday Omega Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

> **Tuesday** Bible Study Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

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

Thursday

American Heritage Girls Badge Review, Hospitality Room, 6:15 p.m. Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 6:30 p.m.

Friday Westkirk Women Connect – Craft Night, HR, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Bible Study Fellowship Leaders' Meeting, CWC, 6:00 a.m.

Sunday, February 3

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons First Service, 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes, all ages, 10:15 a.m. Second Service - 11:15 a.m. High School Ministry, 4:30 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 Spencer Keroff and First Church of the Open Bible**, Beth Boeckemeier, Scott Dickinson, Regi Donaldson, Judy Gaumer, Phil Groner, Ellen Kinnaird, Marilyn Lanham, Paul Meinen, Sharon Wyckoff Willard. **Congratulations to: Nicole and Chad Sorensen on the birth of their daughter, Makenzie Marie. Condolences to: Lois and Matt Dudley and family on the death of Lois' father, Don Gravit**; Amy and Brian Soper on the death of Brian's mother, Debbie Namanny.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?

Today, (10:15-11:00), Pastor Paul's Class in the Great Hall will view Lesson 4 of the Derek Thomas DVD on The Book of Job. In this lesson, ("*Miserable Comforters*") Dr. Thomas explores Eliphaz's response to Job, 'you reap what you sow.'

Time to Sign Up for Explorers' Class. The next Explorers' Class will begin Wednesday, February 13, at 6:30 p.m. during WOW. Mark your attendance on today's Connect Card, RSVP to Pastor Michael at <u>westkirk@westkirk.org</u> or sign up at the Welcome Center. The Explorers' Class is your gateway to membership at Westkirk Presbyterian Church. Pastor Michael leads the class and it is a great opportunity to get to know him better, meet other Westkirk attendees and find out more about the church. It is a noobligation experience as you will be given plenty of time after the 4 classes conclude to determine if you would like to join in membership. If you cannot attend all the sessions, please let Pastor Michael know and he will make alternative arrangements for you. We look forward to seeing you there!

Westkirk Women Connect B.Y.O.C. (Bring Your Own Craft). Ladies, join us this Friday, February 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall where you can work on your craft projects, enjoy conversation and refreshments with other Westkirk crafters. Please sign up on the Connect Card so we will have an idea of how many to expect.

Annual Meeting. The Session reminds you that the Annual Meeting of the Congregation of Westkirk Presbyterian Church will be held **TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m.** Please join us before the meeting for a potluck supper in the Great Hall at 5:00 p.m.

The Nominating Committee will present the candidates for the offices of Elders and Deacons to be elected, the financial report will be reviewed and the 2019 budget will be presented for approval.

Your presence and vote are very important to the life and health of Westkirk!

The nursery will be staffed for age 0-2 and kids age 3-5th grade will have a fun project to work on in the Children's Worship Center during the meeting!



Operation Christmas Child. Savvy shoppers know that they can impact more children around the world for eternity by looking for shoebox items throughout the year. Check out the packing guide for the suggested item of the month. January is hats, gloves and scarves. This

guide will help in putting together shoebox gifts that are sure to bless and delight boys and girls: <u>www.samaritanspurse.org/operation</u> <u>-christmas-child/year-round-packing-ideas/</u>. Please contact Patricia Fitzgerald with questions (patricia.l.fitz@gmail.com or 515-491-3946).

> WOW Menu Pizza, Salad, Fruit and Cookie

Souper Bowl Sunday. We invite you to participate in Hope Ministries' Souper Bowl Sunday collection by bringing cans of any variety or brand of soup and putting them in the red Campbell's barrel which will be in the Narthex through Sunday, February 10. The soup will be used to stock Hope Ministries' pantries and to feed those who come to the shelters for meals. Let's fill this barrel to the brim and provide nice hot meals for many needy people. Thank you for being a blessing to those in need.

Gridshock - A documentary about sex trafficking in Iowa. Vanessa McNeal, a filmmaker and survivor of sexual violence, sets out to explore the often overlooked reality about why the sex trafficking industry thrives. The truth is that sex trafficking wouldn't exist without the unquenchable thirst and demand for it. On the quest to learn more, Vanessa discovers who the johns/buyers are and why there is a culture of impunity that hides and protects them. In this riveting and truly disturbing documentary what you think you know about sex trafficking will be challenged. What is hidden will come to light, even in a midwestern state like lowa. The film features survivors of sex trafficking, local and federal law enforcement, advocates, politicians, and a recovering sex addict. Education is the first step to elimination of this terrible injustice! This film will be shown April 2, 2019 at the Des Moines Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. Tickets on sale now at desmoinesperformingarts.org. For 20% off all ticket levels, use code SURVIVE20 – code good until January 31.

Prayer, Fasting and the Pursuit of God. Join us for Secret Church on April 26 at from 6:00 p.m. to 11:50 p.m. Our culture is constantly telling us that we can achieve anything we set our minds to. Sadly many followers of Christ and many churches have adopted this self-sufficient mindset relying on their own wisdom and abilities instead of relying on God. But what if we were never intended to be self-sufficient? And what if God has designed us so that our greatest satisfaction is found as we depend on Him fully for everything we need? In Secret Church 19, David Platt will take an indepth look at the Bible's teaching on prayer and fasting. We'll see that our inabilities and weaknesses are the very place where God meets us with His strength and sufficiency. We'll also see that faithfulness to the mission of Christ requires depending on the Spirit of Christ. Through prayer and fasting, we demonstrate our need for God's power and our desire for His glory.

Your \$10 registration fee covers the study guide and dinner. To register and pay your fee, please see Sue Holcomb or Brandon Mick (sue.holcomb@holcombcorp.com) (BrandonMick@westkirk.org).

A: The reason annexed to the fifth commandment, is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

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