



# Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

## **This Week's Activities** **August 11-18, 2019**

### **Today**

Communion Sunday  
First Service - 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School Classes - all ages - 10:15 a.m.  
Second Service - 11:15 a.m.  
Glen Oaks, 2:00 p.m.

### **Monday**

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

### **Tuesday**

Lunch and Learn, Great Hall, Noon  
Best Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

### **Thursday**

*Shepherd* articles due  
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 6:30 p.m.

### **Saturday**

Game Night, Hospitality Room, 4:00 p.m.

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**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, Debbie Bradshaw, Tom Branoff,** Regi Donaldson, **Elaine Erickson,** Judy Gaumer, Phil Groner, Ellen Kinnaird, Marilyn Lanham, Paul Meinen, Karen Parman. Condolences to Evva Dawdy, family and friends on the death of her husband Bill.

### WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What is baptism?

**August Communion Offering - Benevolence Fund.** Four times a year our special Communion Sunday offering is designated for the Westkirk Benevolence Fund. The Benevolence Fund is a non-budgeted fund utilized for helping church members and folks from the community who need temporary assistance. Its only source of income is from special gifts such as yours.

Monies are approved by a member of the Pastoral Staff and a check is cut by the church treasurer. Approved funds go directly to pay for housing, utilities or medical bills. The benevolence fund can also supplement food dependence or fuel, but Westkirk contributes to and encourages the use of the Food Pantry system and is a partner with the Urbandale Police Department in providing gasoline.



How Does Westkirk Serve Communion? **During the first service,** the communion elements are served to the congregation by the Elders. We hold each of the elements and then when directed, partake together. As part of our communion tradition, we typically stand afterwards and move toward the center aisle, placing our hand on the shoulder of the person next to us and, united together, sing the Lord's Prayer. This is one of the most meaningful moments of worship each month for many at Westkirk. **During the second service,** two pastors or Elders will hold the elements near the chancel area and when desired, worshippers come forward and are served individually.

**Westkirk Lunch and Learn.** On Tuesday, August, 13, at noon the Lunch and Learn group will meet for a "do-it-yourself" meal of Deli Sandwiches along with Fruit Salad, Chips and a Dessert. A representative will speak to us about the 2020 Census program. If you can attend please sign the Connect Card by Sunday, Aug. 11.



A Military Tribute Concert will be performed on the Anne and Bill Riley Stage at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 12 at the Iowa State Fair.

For those who are unable to attend this concert at the Fair, you are welcome to attend a full dress-rehearsal today at 4:00 p.m. in the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church sanctuary (8301 Aurora Avenue, Urbandale). Current and past military veterans will be honored at these concerts!

**Child Relief Foundation.** Every Sunday during the month of August we will be collecting items for Child Relief Foundation to send to Liberia with their next shipment. Westkirk member Darius Togba is one of the co-founders of this ministry. Below is a list of needed supplies:

- Pens
- Pencils
- Rulers
- Notebooks
- Backpacks
- Calculators
- Sharpeners
- Erasers
- Clipboards
- Toothbrush
- Blankets
- Shoes & clothes for boys (new or in good condition)
- Shoes & clothes for girls (new or in good condition)

For more information, go to [www.childrelieffoundationinc.org](http://www.childrelieffoundationinc.org). Thank you!

**Recital.** Elaine Erickson will present an informal recital of her compositions in the Westkirk Sanctuary on Saturday, September 7, at 1:00 pm. See you there.

**Adult Sunday School Classes.** Mitch Mahan's Adult Class meets in the Calvin room in the basement (East Wing). They are studying the early church in the book of Acts. Pastor Paul's Adult Class meets in the Great Hall (West Wing). They will continue the study of the Apostle Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

**Bunco.** The next Girls' Night Out will be Thursday, August 22, from 5:45-8:00 p.m. Bottled water and a snack will be provided. A \$10 donation is suggested and all money goes to help fight human trafficking. RSVP on the Facebook page: Girls Night Out Bunco-With a Purpose or email/text Diane Browne 515-333-1213 or di-anebrowne99@gmail.com.

**Church Directory Updates.** If you have had an address, phone number or email change, please call the office with your new information. If you've added a new family member, contact Chuck Holcomb (cholcomb@holcombcorp.com) as he would be happy to take your picture. Thanks for your help in keeping our church directory current!

**Urbandale Food Pantry  
Item for August - Shampoo**

A: Baptism is a sacrament, wherein the washing with water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, doth signify and seal our ingrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the covenant of grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's.

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