



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

This Week's Activities
February 9-16, 2020

Today

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

Monday

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

Tuesday

Lunch and Learn, Great Hall, noon
Bible Study Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.
Koinonia Housekirk, 6:30 p.m.
Best Housekirk, 7:00 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, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

Dorcas Circle, Hospitality Room, 1:00 p.m.
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday

Shepherd Articles Due
BSF Leaders' Meeting, CWC, 6:00 a.m.
Game Night, Hospitality Room, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 16

Explorers' Class, Hospitality Room, 1:00 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 Mike Rose and The Mission Church**, Linda Aldrich, Kevin Bone, Regi Donaldson, Judy Gaumer, Keith Groen, Phil Groner, Ellen Kinnaird, Marilyn Lanham, Logan Lowrey, Paul Meinen, Bob Vanderzyl, Brent and Donna Willcox. Condolences to the family and friends of Kay Cunitz on her death; Tom and Marlene McDonald and Mark and Elaine Hagenberg and their families on the death of Martha McDonald (Tom's mother/Elaine's grandmother).

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created?

WOW Meal

Chef's Choice, Salad, Fruit and Cookie

Time to Sign Up for Explorers' Class. The next Explorers' Class will begin Sunday, February 16, at 1:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. We will plan to have a light lunch together. Mark your attendance on today's Connect Card or RSVP to Pastor Michael at westkirk@westkirk.org. 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 no-obligation 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 Lunch and Learn. On Tuesday, February 11, a meal featuring hot beef sandwiches will be served at Lunch and Learn. The meal begins at noon and will be over by 1:00. Following lunch, Linda Civitarese will bless us by presenting a variety of selections with her delightful, musical talent. If you can attend, please sign up on the Connect Card today.

February 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.



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.

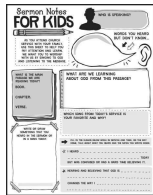
Dorcas Circle - Please come and join us on Thursday, February 13, at 1:00 p.m. We will be resuming our study about creation: Day 4 when God created the sun, moon, stars, night and seasons, led by Audrene Hansen. Our hostesses are Kelli Miller and Gail De Graaf. We look forward to good fellowship, food and Bible study. See you then in the Hospitality Room!!

Ash Wednesday. The Session has decided to change this year how the Lenten Season is started at Westkirk. Instead of cancelling WOW for that Wednesday, we are planning to bring in some of the Ash Wednesday items into the worship part of WOW. This change will allow the classes (especially Confirmation) to continue without interruption. Watch for more details in the future.



Operation Christmas Child – February's Items.

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. <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/year-round-packing-ideas>. You can use this guide to help put together shoebox gifts that are sure to bless and delight boys and girls. February is **Accessories**, for example, sunglasses, headbands, jewelry, watches, etc. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Patricia Fitzgerald patricia.l.fitz@gmail.com 515-491-3946.



Sermon Notes for Kids are available at the Welcome Center! Kids of any age can complete them during the sermon, and can show them to Mrs. Duff after the service to receive a small reward for their hard work!

Save the Date! Ruth Harbor's Annual Walk for Life will be held on Saturday, May 9, at 11:00 a.m. at the Ruth Harbor Des Moines home. Please mark your calendar and plan to walk with us!

True Blue Radio
Catch Westkirk on Truth
Network 99.3 FM
during the week,
12:00-12:30 p.m.



A: Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.

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