



# Westkirk Weekly

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## **This Week's Activities** **December 4-11, 2016**

### **Today**

Advent – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
New Members Received  
First Service - 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School Classes - all ages - 10:15 a.m.  
Second Service - 11:15 a.m.  
Explorers' Class Lunch, Great Hall, 12:30 p.m.  
Choir, Great Hall, 4:00 p.m.  
One Ancient Hope Housekirk, HR, 5:00 p.m.

### **Monday**

Commission/Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

### **Tuesday**

Wee Ones Playgroup, HR, 10:00 a.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.  
Best Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

### **Thursday**

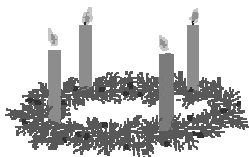
Dorcas Circle Christmas Potluck, HR, 12:00 p.m.  
American Heritage Girls Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

### **Saturday**

Early Risers Housekirk, 8:00 a.m.

### **Sunday, December 11**

Communion Sunday  
Glen Oaks, 2:00 p.m.  
Choir, Great Hall, 4:00 p.m.  
Women's Christmas Cookie Exchange, 7:00 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**, Jim Anderson, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, Darlene Denison, Kurt Huyser, Ellen Kinnaird, Paul Kurtz, Marillyn McCulloch, Marie McGhee, Paul Meinen, Paul Olson, Thomas Perrigo, Don Powers, **Pauline Wilson**, Senator Brad Zaun. **Congratulations to Amy and Scott Withers on the birth of their daughter, Nora Jane!**

**December Communion Offering** will go towards purchasing Bible Study Book Sets for pastors in India. They will be attending a conference sponsored by AMG and this gift will allow them to take what they learn back home with them. Thank you for supporting these men.

**Dorcas Circle.** Ladies, join us on Thursday, December 8, at NOON, when we will enjoy our Christmas potluck luncheon together. Our topic is Isaiah, and we will look at the many prophecies about Christ. Please bring your favorite verse from Isaiah to share along with your luncheon dish! If you've never come before, we welcome you to join us in the Hospitality Room at Noon.

**Westkirk Lunch and Learn.** On December 13, Westkirk Lunch and Learn will meet for a dinner of Christmas Ham and delicious sides. Scott Riemenschneider, Attorney, will speak about "Basic Estate Planning." If you are thinking about your estate or have questions about any recent changes to the laws, plan to attend. The meal begins at noon and we try to wind up the program by 1:00 p.m. Please sign up on the Connect Card no later than next Sunday.

**Eagle Scout Court of Honor.** Dave and Cindy Lanham and Boy Scout Troop 46 cordially invite all to attend the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Benjamin Lanham on Saturday, December 17, at 2:00 p.m. here at Westkirk. Reception will follow ceremony in the Great Hall.

<p><b>Your December/January/February copy of the Daily Bread is available at the Welcome Center today!</b></p>
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Hundreds of low-income families in our Urbandale community have difficulty meeting their day-to-day needs. During the holiday's, finding the resources for gifts and a special meal is out of reach for many of them. Parents want to give their child something special, but the hard reality is that many need to choose between basic living necessities like food, rent and utility bills and spending money on a special holiday gift or meal.

The Urbandale Community Action Network has organized an Adopt-a-Family program to pair up families in need with individuals or groups who want to help a family in need and to spread holiday joy. When you sign up to participate in the Adopt-a-Family program, you will receive all the information needed to help an Urbandale family celebrate. You'll purchase gifts suggested by each member of the family (approximately \$25 per recipient) and food for a special holiday meal (or provide an appropriate gift card to cover the cost of such a meal).

Please remember those children and families this holiday season who do not have an abundance of resources. Just a small token can brighten a child's entire year!

This year, when you and your loved ones are planning how to celebrate the holiday season, please include an opportunity to give back—pass your good fortune, your peace, hope and love to another family in Urbandale in need.

To sign up for the Adopt-a-Family program or get details on other events going on in our community, please contact the UCAN offices at 515-278-3936 or [Info@UrbandaleNetwork.org](mailto:Info@UrbandaleNetwork.org).

<p><b>WOW Menu</b> <b>Sub Sandwich and Chips,</b> <b>Tossed Salad, Fruit Cup and Cookie</b></p>
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**Coming Up.** Sunday, December 18, at 2:30 p.m. a special Christmas celebration will be presented at Westkirk with Christmas music and testimonies from a couple of the guys from Teen Challenge. You won't want to miss this!!! Cookies to munch on afterwards!

**House of Damaris.** \$1,120.00 - that is how many red post it notes have been taken off the board in the Narthex. THANK YOU! We are on our way to our goal of \$5,000.00 to support women recovering from sex trafficking in Athens, Greece at the home that was opened by Dina Petrou, our AMG missionary.

**Transportation Helpers Needed.** Occasionally a member or friend of Westkirk requests a ride to a church service or function or to a doctor's appointment. If you would be able to help, please check the box on the Connect Card, or call Pastor Paul at 253-0330.



**Women's Christmas Cookie Exchange.** Ladies, please join us from 7:00-8:30 p.m. next Sunday, December 11, for our Christmas Cookie Exchange. You are invited to a fun night of a cookie exchange and favorite things party at Allyson Groner's house. Bring 2 dozen cookies or treats and a container to take some home. Also bring a wrapped, favorite item, \$15 or under. It can be anything, from your favorite kitchen utensil, household cleaner, beauty item, socks and more. If you would rather not bring anything, please still come as it's all about the fellowship anyway! To RSVP, or if you have questions, please contact Allyson at 515-770-2792. Hope you all can make it!

### **Westkirk Holiday Schedule**

December 21	No WOW
December 24	5:30 p.m. Candlelight Service
December 25	Unified Service - 10:30 a.m.
December 28	No WOW
January 1	Regular Sunday Schedule

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