



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

This Week's Activities
October 15-22, 2017

Today

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.
Coram Deo Housekirk, 6:00 p.m.
Shepherd Articles Due

Monday

Meeting of the Session, Great Hall, 5:30 p.m.

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.
Explorers' Class, 6:30 p.m.
Choir, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

American Heritage Girls and
Trail Life Boys Troop Meetings, 6:30 p.m.
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

Friday

Game Night, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 22

High School Ministry, 4:30 p.m.
One Ancient Hope Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 5:30 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 First Federated Church**, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, Joshua Crowder, Darlene Denison, Tom Edson, **David Gaumer**, Judy Gaumer, Jonathan Griggs, Ellen Kinnaird, Marie McGhee, Paul MacLafferty, Paul Meinen, Tom and Dianne Paplham, Don Powers, Micki Strait, Alan Taylor. Congratulations to Jr. and Courtney Heater on the birth of their son, Isaac Grant.

Let's Celebrate! Reformation Sunday is October 29. We will celebrate the 500th anniversary our reformed faith with a **unified service at 10:30 a.m. on October 29**, followed by a Celebration Meal at 12:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. Pastor Michael will lead our morning worship service which will include special elements. Plan to celebrate this special Sunday with worship and enjoy a congregational meal and fellowship after the service featuring our traditional Westkirk pork loin, tiny whole potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, dinner rolls and dessert. Please sign up on the Connect Card entering the number planning to attend so that we can plan accordingly. There will be no Sunday School or Kidskirk; the Nursery will be available.

Urbandale Food Pantry Thanksgiving Feed-a-Family. The food pantry expects to serve 1,200 families during November this year. Their goal is to provide each family with a Thanksgiving turkey or turkey breast. Please consider helping in one of the following ways:

- Send a check or donate online to the Urbandale Food Pantry in October and November.
- Donate a turkey or turkey breast to the Urbandale Food Pantry. Hours are Monday-Thursday 9:30 am – 6:30 pm and Saturday 8am –noon.

Many Hands Make Light Work. From time to time people in our congregation have need of a little assistance such as a small handy man project or help moving, this kind of thing. If you would be willing to be on an email list, you would receive a notice when such a need arises and have the opportunity to join with others from our church family as we care for each other in this way. Please email Chuck Holcomb (cholcomb@holcombcorp.com) to be added to this list. Thank you!

Welcome to an Adult Sunday School Bible Study Class.

Pastor Paul is beginning a new study of Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi during Sunday School from 10:15 to 11:00 in the Great Hall. (Coffee is served there.) Now is a great time to attend an Adult Sunday School Class. David Vorm is presenting a study in 1 Peter for adults in the Children's Worship Center at the east end of the building. Feel free to drop into either of these classes.

Explorers' Class Begins Wednesday. The Explorers' Class will begin this Wednesday, October 18, at 6:30 during WOW. Even if you have not registered, you are welcome to sign up at the first class. 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, Pastor Michael will make alternative arrangements for you. We look forward to seeing you there!

WOW Menu
Cheeseburgers and Fries, Tossed Salad,
Fruit Cup and Cookie

CPR Training. Would you know what to do in case of a medical emergency? Westkirk, American Heritage Girls and Trail Life are offering CPR training on Tuesday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. Training will be held at the Urbandale Fire Station at 3927 121st St. in Urbandale, and conducted by Julie Stuckle, an Urbandale fire fighter. Some online prep work is required before the class! The fee is \$35. To sign up, please check the box on the Connect Card or contact Benae Duff: benaeduff@westkirk.org or (515)707-9072.



Trunk or Treat. Westkirk will host a trunk at the Urbandale Police Department Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 26 from 5:30-7:30 at 3740 86th St. Several area organizations and businesses will be participating. This is a great opportunity to get involved in our community! If you'd like to help, please contact Benae Duff: benaeduff@westkirk.org or (515) 707-9072.

Don't Miss a Single Sound. When you are here at Westkirk, you want to experience every word, note, and moment of worship. That is what you come for! Most of our members and attendees suffice with our very fine sound system, but inevitably there are several in the congregation who could use some additional help. We have an assistive listening system purchased from the funds that have been generously given to our Memorial Gift fund, in memory of the loved ones of many of our Westkirk family. The system is called LISTEN. It can help ensure that everyone here to worship the Lord can receive a clear and interference-free experience. The receiver can sit next to you on the pew, be held in your hand, or be attached to a belt. The earpiece comfortably fits over your ear and can be used with or without hearing aids. The product is designed to be easy to use, convenient, and the volume is controlled by you. Westkirk has purchased 4 receivers to loan out during service time. We will order more to fit the demand. Please do not be ashamed to ask the Sound Technician volunteer to use a LISTEN receiver!

Westkirk Women Connect. The deadline to sign up for the "make & take" class with Diane Browne is October 22. Join the class and create a wooden sign that says *Be Still and Know* - Psalms 46:10. Forms with all the details are at the Welcome Center as well as a box to submit your registration and check. Call or email Diane for more information or to pay by credit card (515-333-1213, dianebrown99@gmail.com).



Operation Christmas Child Packing Party. Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 4, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Things you can do to assist: **Pray.** Each box has the potential to lead a child, family, or village to Christ. **Save shoe boxes.** Put them on the coat rack shelf in the Hospitality Room. They will be wrapped with Christmas paper. **Donate items** for the packing party and put in the box marked 'A Simple Gift' in the Hospitality Room. Items needed are: toys, school supplies, non-liquid hygiene items, accessories. **Donate money** to be used to purchase items for the packing party. Mark the memo of your check as "Operation Christmas Child" or "OCC". **Volunteer.** If you are interested in helping with Operation Christmas Child, contact Rene Van Gundy at: renevangundy@gmail.com.

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