



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

This Week's Activities
November 12-19, 2017

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.
Tone Chimes, CWC, 3:30 p.m.
High School Ministry, 4:30 p.m.
One Ancient Hope Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 5:30 p.m.
Coram Deo Housekirk, 6:00 p.m.

Monday

Omega Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 6:30 p.m.
Commission/Committee Deacon Meeting, Lounge, 5:30 p.m.
Men's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Lunch and Learn, Great Hall, noon
Koinonia Housekirk, Lounge, 7:00 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

AHG Fall Ceremony, 6:30 p.m.
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.
Westkirk Women Fellowship, Caribou Coffee, 7:00 p.m.

Friday

Game Night, Hospitality Room, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday

Westkirk Women Connect Event, Hospitality Room, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 19

Tone Chimes, CWC, 3:30 p.m.
High School Ministry, 4:30 p.m.
Coram Deo Housekirk, 6:00 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 Ryan Jorgenson and Harvest Bible Chapel**, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, Darlene Denison, **Judy Gaumer**, Tracey Johnson, Ellen Kinaird, Marie McGhee, Paul MacLafferty, **Doug Louis**, Paul Meinen, Tom and Dianne Papham, Don Powers, Alan Taylor, Barb Wilson. Condolences to: **Dave and Donna Vorm and family on the death of Dave's uncle, Delbert Killen; Juanita Oswald and family on the death of her husband, Bill;** Becky and Bernie Koebornick and family on the death of Becky's mother, Shirley Sanders.

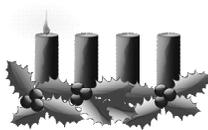
WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What is God?

November 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.



Greening of the Kirk. The Altar Guild invites you to come to the annual Greening of the Kirk. On Sunday, November 26, plan to join us for a light lunch at 12:30, a family project at 1:00 p.m. and at 1:30 p.m. we will begin decorating the Sanctuary and other areas in celebration of the Advent season. Please sign up on the Connect Card if you plan on joining us for lunch.



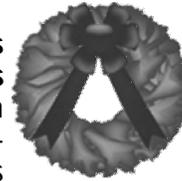
Holy Communion

Please show discernment in leading your children during communion. You may certainly take your children with you to go forward for communion. At that time, you should indicate to the server if your children are to receive the elements. Since Paul encourages us (1 Corinthians 11:23-34) to examine ourselves in order not to take the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner, we do not subscribe to the partaking of the elements by infants, toddlers or young children (paedo-communion). We do encourage parents to talk with their children about the Gospel, about communion, and bring them to meet with one of the pastors to help them discern if their child is ready to partake. A child who is ready to take communion is also ready to publicly profess his or her faith and be baptized, if they have not already done so.

Westkirk Lunch and Learn. On Tuesday, November 14, at noon in the Great Hall, Westkirk Lunch and Learn will have a traditional Thanksgiving Turkey meal. Once again, Cathy Mears of Group Benefits, Ltd. will speak to us about changes in Medicare and supplemental insurance. Bring your questions or even better send them to Pastor Paul ahead of time and he will forward them to Cathy. Please sign up on the Connect Card **TODAY**.

Wreaths Across America Honors Veterans.

Each December volunteers place wreaths in over 1,100 locations throughout the U.S., with ceremonies at sea and at each of the national cemeteries on foreign soil. This ceremony is a way to show military families that their loved ones are not forgotten. If you would like to sponsor a wreath, please visit the American Heritage Girls in the Hospitality Room today. Or, you may go online to: tinyurl.com/WestkirkWreath and click the donate button in the American Heritage Girls section of the page. The public is welcome to participate in the wreath laying ceremony at the Iowa Veterans' Cemetery in Van Meter on December 16 at 11:00 a.m.



WOW Menu
Pancakes and Sausage,
Tossed Salad,
Fruit Cup and Cookie



There's still time!! If you missed the Operation Christmas Child Packing Party last weekend, you can still fill a shoebox. Shoeboxes are due on Sunday, November 19. Empty shoeboxes and labels are located in the Hospitality Room. Fill a box today!



Urbandale Community Action Network. Hundreds of low-income families in our community have difficulty meeting their day-to-day needs. During the holidays, finding resources for gifts and a special meal is out of

reach for many of them. The Urbandale Community Action Network organizes five different programs for families and those in need during the holiday season. Ways you or your group can get involved are:

Adopt a Family – You will be matched with an Urbandale family in need and purchase gifts suggested by each member of the family (approx. \$25 per recipient) as well as provide food or gift card to cover a special holiday meal. Sign up by November 27 to help.

Holiday Gift Mart/Toys for Tots – Donations of new, unwrapped toys for children of all ages, with a special emphasis on items for kids age 14+. For the older kids think gift cards to fast food restaurants, movies, Iowa/ISU/UNI memorabilia, clothing, beauty products, etc.

Christmas Food Assistance – For adults without children, a gift card to a local grocery store is provided to help supplement holiday food needs. Donations of gift cards in \$25 increments are needed.

At-Risk Teen Outreach – Working with Metro West Alternative High School, students are matched with a sponsor. Sponsors provide needed items (socks, shirts, hats, gloves) as well as items teens would enjoy, gift cards to fast food restaurants or movies, etc.

Santa for Seniors – Seniors who are living in isolation who have no relatives or very few nearby are identified. Each senior will receive a care package the week before Christmas. Volunteers are needed to donate cards, warm blankets, large print puzzle books, poinsettia, homemade holiday treats, etc. Volunteers are also needed to deliver the items.

To sign up to help a family in need, contact UCAN at 515-278-3936 or Info@UrbandaleNetwork.org.

A: God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

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