



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

**This Week's Activities
December 17-24, 2017**

Today

First Service - 9:00 a.m.
Children's Ministry Christmas Program, 10:15 a.m.
Second Service - 11:15 a.m.
Zipporah Brianna Khan Baptism
Tone Chimes, CWC, 3:30 p.m.
One Ancient Hope Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 5:30 p.m.

Monday

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

Tuesday

Women's Bible Study, East Wing, 1:00 p.m.
Bagpipers (Cosi Cucina), 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Choir, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

American Heritage Girls' Christmas Party, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday

Early Risers Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 8:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 24

Christmas Eve
Unified Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Candlelight Service, 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 Wayne Larson and Redeemer Presbyterian Church**, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, **Flora Boeckemeier**, Darlene Denison, Ellen Kinnaird, Marie McGhee, Paul Meinen, Tom and Dianne Papham, Don Powers. **Condolences to: Julie Fletchall and Bill MacLafferty and families on the death of their father, Paul MacLafferty.**

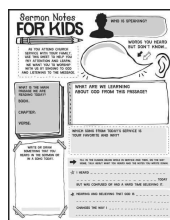
WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What is the work of creation?

No WOW Activities

Get Healthy, Grow Strong, Live Well. The 4th annual INSPIRE health and fitness conference will take place on Saturday, January 20, at First Federated Church from 8:30-4:30. This will be a unique opportunity to hear from some national faith leaders on the topic of body stewardship, as well as from best-selling author Gary Thomas ("Sacred Marriage"); nationally syndicated radio host and author Dr. Michael Brown; Steve Deace and others as they lead a robust collection of speakers who will bring a biblical worldview to the theme "Building Stronger Marriages, Families and Ministries." To learn more about the conference and register, please go to www.inspirehealth2018.com.



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!

Third Sunday in Advent. What if you are not who you think you are? You were once someone else before you settled into this life. Although you don't remember much, images of what you once were sometimes float through your mind. Now you have been told that someone is coming from the old country where you once lived to tell you about this other life. You wait with fear and anticipation. What will the messenger say? Who are you really?

A similar scenario lies behind the Scripture we will look at this morning. Who are we really? The messenger is coming to tell us.

Biblical Parenting Seminar. Parenting is hard and parents need help ... solid, biblical help. On Friday, January 26 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Grace Church (4200 E. 25th, Des Moines) is hosting a seminar led by Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller from the National Center for Biblical Parenting where parents will receive practical tools to address both attitudes and anger in children. The seminar will offer a biblical, heart-based approach to addressing problems parents face. The cost is only \$10 per person. To register online or for more information, visit www.gracehome.com and click on "parenting seminar" in the upper right-hand corner.



Freedom For Youth. Freedom Blend Coffee Shop (2329 Hickman) is now open from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Coffee Shop is a full-service coffee business that empowers youth and young adults through Christ-centered employment training. They have a full menu of either hot or cold coffees and teas, as well as pastries, bagels, breakfast and lunch items. The Coffee Shop has a full commercial kitchen, drive-thru window, meeting rooms, patio seating, and more. Freedom Blend is a clean, safe, Christ-centered environment where the public can experience what God is doing in the lives of the youth served at Freedom for Youth Ministries. Please support Freedom Blend Coffee Shop the next time you are meeting a friend for coffee or lunch or just need to grab a cup of coffee on your way to work.

Perspectives Classes. Perspectives is for believers from all walks of life. It is a 15-week course, from January 14 - April 29. Discover how God has been working (and continues to work) throughout the world. Learn more about God's kingdom and His glory. Find out what your part is in this exciting movement.

The Walnut Creek Downtown Church, 323 E. Locust, is hosting the course and classes will be on Sundays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., with dinner included halfway through the evening. Childcare will also be provided. Visit Perspectives.org for more information.

Registration is \$249. We do not want finances to be the deciding factor as to whether you may attend or not. Scholarships are available to help with the cost for our Westkirk family. For more information, contact Brandon Mick (BrandonMick@westkirk.org) or Sue Holcomb (sue.holcomb@holcombcorp.com).

**Urbandale Food Pantry
Item for December - Deodorant**



Westkirk Holiday Schedule

December 20	No WOW
December 24	Unified Service - 10:30 a.m.
December 24	Candlelight Service - 5:30 p.m.
December 27	No WOW
December 31	Regular Sunday Schedule
January 3	No WOW

A. The work of creation is, God's making all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good.