



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

This Week's Activities December 2-9, 2018

Today

First Service, 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School Classes, all ages, 10:15 a.m.
Second Service, 11:15 a.m.
Foster/Adoptive Blessings Meeting, CWC, 12:30 p.m.
High School Ministry, 4:30 p.m.

Monday

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

Tuesday

Bible Study Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministry, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

WOW Supper, 5:30 p.m.
Worship, Sanctuary, 6:15 p.m.
Classes for Children, Middle School Students and Adults, 6:30 p.m.
Choir, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

American Heritage Girls/Trail Life Boys Christmas Parties, 6:00 p.m.
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 6:30 p.m.

Friday

Wedding Rehearsal and Dinner, 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

BSF Leaders' Meeting, CWC, 6:00 a.m.
Wedding and Reception, 1:30 p.m.
Kids' Christmas Program Practice, Sanctuary, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 9

Communion Sunday
Glen Oaks, 2:00 p.m.
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 Mark Jacinsky and Crossroads Fellowship of West Des Moines**, Beth Boeckemeier, Judy Gaumer, Don Gravit, Audrene Hansen, Eunice Hofmeyer, Ellen Kinnaird, Marilyn Lanham, Kevin Masemann, Paul Meinen, Nancy Morris, Evan Opman, Vicky Shaver, Sharon Wyckoff Willard. Condolences to: Marilyn Lanham, Dave and Cindy Lanham and Family on the death of Don Lanham; Irene Reed and Family on the death of Dick Reed.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What is required in the fourth commandment?

Westkirk Lunch and Learn. On December 11 at noon, we will meet for a meal of ham and other good things. We will also have an opportunity to laminate those cards and things that tend to wear with age — so bring what you need laminated. Since it is December, we will also sing some Christmas Carols. Please sign up on the Connect Card by Sunday, December 9.



Westkirk Women Connect Christmas Cookie and Favorite Things Swap.*

Ladies of all ages are invited to a special evening of food and fun on Thursday, December 13, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Emily Crowder's home (12955 Woodlands Parkway, Clive). Bring two dozen holiday cookies or treats, the recipe to share and an empty container to collect cookies going home with you. Please also, bring a small gift (\$5-\$10), wrapped and ready to exchange. (Separate swaps for the women and girls). Please sign up on the Connect Card. Questions? Contact Emily Crowder at (443) 286-5404. (*Cookie and gift swap are optional.)

WOW Menu

**Cheeseburger, French Fries, Salad,
Fruit and Cookie**

**Your December/January/February copy of the
Daily Bread is available at the Welcome Center today!**

Adoptive/Foster Blessings Meeting Today. Interested in finding out how you can help foster and adoptive parents help children? Join us today in the Great Hall after second service. We will be discussing how we as a church can come along side these families to support them. This is a kid friendly event. Hot Dogs for lunch!



December Communion Offering.

The offering this month will be given to the Robert Morrison Project. This is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to legally translating and publishing reformed literature in China and South East Asian Countries. Their aim is to focus on areas of the world where the church is poor, faces great hardships and often has no access to quality Christian literature. Thank you for helping us support this very important ministry!

Calling all Cookie-makers!

After Westkirk's Christmas Eve service, we will have cookies and hot drinks in the Great Hall. Because the service has so many attendees, we need your cookies! Whether it's chocolate chip, ginger snap, or Grandma's secret recipe, please consider volunteering to bring cookies to be shared after service. We need your help! Please contact Reece or Cassie Lewellen if you are able to help, or sign up on the Connect Card! Thank you.

A HUGE thank you to all of you who came to help decorate the church for Advent - we had an amazing turnout of people who worked so hard to bring Christmas to Westkirk! Please walk around the church and explore and participate. The Narthex is decorated in traditional Westkirk style. The Nativity tree in the Christian Ed wing is decorated with ornaments donated and/or made by our families. Stop by the TrueBlue tree in the lounge and place a silver ball on the tree if you have been prayed for by our staff this year. Walk through the land of "Narnia" in the Great Hall and look at the ornaments on the tree honoring the missionaries and ministries we support here at Westkirk. And, as always, stop in the Hospitality room and enjoy a treat while you fellowship with others.

Calling all kids, age 2-5th Grade!

Christmas Program practice will be in the Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 8, and at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 15! Our program will be on Sunday, December 16, at 10:15 am. If you haven't received your part yet, please ask your parents to call or email Mrs. Duff at (515) 707-9072 or benaeduff@westkirk.org.



Program Practice



New Hymn. Today we sing a new hymn of confession (see insert). It is based on Luke 1:78 - "The rising sun will come to us from heaven." We will be singing this for the next four weeks, so PLEASE place this copy in your hymnal to be used for these weeks of Advent.

Perspectives Classes to be Held January 13 - May 5, 2019. This course is designed around four vantage points or "perspectives" — Biblical, Historical, Cultural and Strategic. Each one highlights different aspects of God's global purpose. Classes will be hosted by Westchester Church, 4919 Aurora, Des Moines on Sunday evenings from 5:00–8:00 p.m. with a dinner break halfway through. Registration is \$249, with an Early Bird discount of \$25 available until December 14. For more information, email Brandon Mick at BrandonMick@westkirk.org or Sue Holcomb at sue.holcomb@holcombcorp.com.

Looking for a simple and friendly way to serve at Westkirk? We can always use people at the first service to greet worshipers as they enter the church. All that is required of you is to shake hands, say hello, and possibly answer a few questions. Your children may join you and take part in the fun. If you're interested, please email Barbara Orend for more information at barbaraega@gmail.com.

Now Is Born the Divine Christ Child

Arr. K. McChesney
Violin - Samuel Brown

Refrain:

Now is born the Divine Christ Child,
Play the musette, play the tuneful oboe,
Now is born the Divine Christ Child,
Let us sing and rejoice this day.

1. Ages old are our past and gone,
When wise men foretold His coming,
Ages old are our past and gone, Noel,
noel then let us sing.

2. He was born in a stable bare
In His crib He sleeps so soundly
He was born in a stable bare
Bow in homage to Him now.

A: The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.