



Westkirk PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Weekly

This Week's Activities November 3-10, 2019

Today

Daylight Savings Time Ends
First Service - 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School Classes, all ages, 10:15 a.m.
Second Service, 11:15 a.m.
FAB Meeting, Great Hall, 12:30 p.m.
Explorers' Class, Hospitality Room, 1:00 p.m.
Potluck, Great Hall, 5:00 p.m.
Congregational Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Monday

Commission/Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Men's Bible Study, 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, Students and Adults, 6:30 p.m.
Choir, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

AHG/Trail Life Boys Troop Meetings, 6:15 p.m.
Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 6:30p.m.

Saturday

BSF Leaders' Meeting, CWC, 6:00 a.m.
Early Risers Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 8:00 a.m.
American Heritage Girls' Father/Daughter Event, GH, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 10

Communion Sunday
Explorers' Class, Hospitality Room, 1:00 p.m.
Glen Oaks, 2:00 p.m.
High School Ministry, 4:30 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 Spencer Keroff and First Church of the Open Bible**, Kay Cunitz, Regi Donaldson, Judy Gaumer, Phil Groner, Ellen Kinnaird, Marilyn Lanham, Logan Lowrey, Paul Meinen, **Sue and Paul Olson**, Bob Vanderzyl, Brent Willcox, **The Persecuted Church**. Condolences to Jean Pillers and friends on the death of her husband, Martin; Jack and Barb Wilson on the death of Jack's brother's wife, Judith Wilson in Wyoming.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on the back)

Q: What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

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.

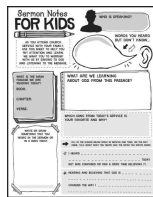
**WOW Meal
Cheeseburger and Fries,
Salad, Fruit and Cookie**

Lunch and Learn. At Noon on Tuesday, November 12, Lunch and Learn will meet for our annual turkey dinner. Also, here for her annual visit, Cathy Mears of Benefits, Ltd. will discuss changes to Medicare and supplemental insurance. The government allows a window (basically in November) for those who need to change insurance coverage without penalty. If you can attend, please sign up on the Connect Card no later than Sunday, November 10.

Call to Congregational Meeting. The Session reminds you that a Congregational Meeting of Westkirk Presbyterian Church will be held **TONIGHT** at 6:00 p.m. At this meeting we will explore the possibility of affiliation with a denomination. Please join us before the meeting for a potluck supper in the Great Hall at 5:00 p.m. Bring your favorite dish to share.

The nursery will be staffed for kids age 0-2. Kids age 3-5th grade will have a fun project to work on in the Children's Worship Center during the meeting!

November is National Adoption Awareness Month. While all adoption-related issues are important, the particular focus of this month is the adoption of children currently in foster care. Beauty Amidst the Ashes is presenting a conference offering information on foster care and adoption at NorthPoint Church in Johnston. **Hope 2019** will be on November 15 and 16. To register, go to <https://www.beautyamidsttheashes.com/hope-2019>.



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!

Wreaths Across America - Remembers those who have died, **Honors** those who serve, and **Teaches** the value of freedom. Each year wreaths are placed on veterans graves across the United States and at overseas cemeteries on foreign soil to show they are not forgotten. If you would like to sponsor a wreath, please visit the American Heritages Girls in the Hospitality Room on November 17 or stop by to find out how to give online. This year on Saturday, December 14, the American Heritage Girls Troop IA 0449 will be attending the ceremony and laying wreaths at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery in Van Meter, Iowa. The ceremony is open to the public and all are welcome to participate.



Save the Date! Mark your calendars! Operation Christmas Child Packing Party is set!

When: Saturday, November 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Where: Westkirk Great Hall
Treats and Music and Fun!
This is a fantastic event for all; young and young at heart alike

How to help:

- **Pray** – Each box has the potential to lead a child, family or village to Christ.
- **Donate** – Time, money or gifts. Volunteers are welcome to assist with set up on Friday, November 9, or other tasks; Financial donations welcome to be used to purchase items for the packing party. Mark the memo line of the check as "Operation Christmas Child" or "OCC"; Gifts – toys, school supplies, hair accessories, jewelry, non-liquid hygiene items (complete list of gift ideas at the website below).
- **Save Shoeboxes** – Bring shoeboxes to church and put them on the coat rack shelf in the hospitality room. They will be wrapped with Christmas paper.

Please note there are a few restrictions on the donations:

- No candy
- No toothpaste
- No liquids of any kind
- No items/toys that appear to be war related or guns

For great ideas of what to donate for the gifts depending on the gender and age, go to: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/>

Any questions or if interested in volunteering, please contact Patricia Fitzgerald 515-491-3946 Patricia.l.fitz@gmail.com

A: In the sixth petition (which is, *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil*) we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

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