

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 2.8.26

8:30 am - Prayer Meeting/Great Hall
9:00 am - Sunday School for all ages
10:00 am - Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service

Tuesday 2.10.26

12:00 pm - Second Tuesday Lunch & Learn/Great Hall
7:00 pm - Women's Bible Study/Library

Wednesday 2.11.26

5:30 pm - WOW Meal, Fellowship, Worship
Meal: Chicken Strips, Tater Tots, Salad, Fruit and Dessert
7:40 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

Thursday 2.12.26

7:00 am - Prayer Meeting/Library
12:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Zoom
1:00 pm - Dorcas Circle/Hospitality Room

Sunday 2.15.26

8:30 am - Prayer Meeting/Great Hall
9:00 am - Sunday School for all ages
10:00 am - Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service
12:30 pm - Reception for Aaron O'Leary family

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. What are the decrees of God?

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Ryan Wilson, Greenbelt Community Church, Clive

Missionary of the Week

Phil and Renee Remmers, Robert Morrison Project

Prayer and Praise

Continue to Pray

- Pray for Aaron O'Leary and his family as he has accepted a new job in Pensacola, FL. They will be moving sometime in early March. They will be greatly missed. Reception after church on Feb. 15.
- Pray for Barb Wilson's niece, Susan Wilson Hill. She has cancer and is due for surgery in February.
- Pray for Barb Wilson's son-in-law, Chris Davlantes, who is in pain and has multiple upcoming surgeries, including Feb. 6.

On-going Concerns may be found in the Weekly Prayer Email. If you would like to receive this email, please call the church office at (515) 253-0330.

Officer Candidates

The first phase of officer training is designed to allow nominees and Session to evaluate their sense of calling, their capacity and their character (qualifications.) This phase has concluded and the men who are continuing in the training are as follows: Casey Faber (Ruling Elder/Deacon,) Gary Gannon (Deacon,) Clay Larson (Ruling Elder,) Eric Turner (Ruling Elder/Deacon,) and Scott White (Deacon.)

Hats for the Homeless - Feb 21, 9 am - 11 am

9 am to 11 am, February 21, Courtyards at Windsor clubhouse - For those who know how to crochet or knit, we are making hats for the homeless. Those who attend the kick-off meeting should bring their own supplies including yarn (1 skein, any color), measuring tape and knitting needles (6mm/US10) or crochet hooks (5mm/H/8.) Questions may also be directed to Ellen Harrison. [RSVP](#) on Church Center.

Second Tuesday Lunch & Learn - Feb. 10, 12 pm

Our own “resident expert” John Hendrickson will be giving a presentation on President Herbert Hoover. Lunch will be fried chicken, mashed potatoes and green beans from Pizza Ranch, topped off with cake. [RSVP](#) on Church Center or contact Mona Yentes directly.

Westkirk on Wednesday Schedule

- 5:30 - 6:15 - Meal
- 6:15 - 6:30 - Worship together in the sanctuary
- 6:30 - 7:30 - Programming
 - Family Bible Study (children desiring to remain with adults are welcome - Great Hall)
 - Student Ministry (Youth Room)
 - Children 4-11 (Children's Worship Center)

Dorcas Circle - Feb. 12, 1 pm

Ladies, join us for dessert, fellowship and Bible study. We are studying the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley from Song of Solomon 2:1.

Reception for O'Learys - Feb. 15, 12:30

Please join us for a cake reception following the service on Sunday, February 15th in the hospitality room to show our love for Aaron O'Leary and his family. They will be moving to Pensacola, FL in early March. We are so thankful for Aaron's serving us in worship and for the love and fellowship we have shared with their family.

Student Ministries Ski Trip - Feb 22, 2:30 pm - 9pm

Student Ministries is taking a ski trip to Seven Oaks. See details on cost, helmet rental and waiver in the Church Center app. Please [RSVP](#) if you plan to come.

Ice Cream Social at Illahee Hills - Feb 28, 2:15 pm- 4:30 pm
2:15 pm to 4:30 pm, February 28 (Saturday) - We are hosting an ice cream social at Illahee Hills retirement community. This will be a wonderful opportunity to interact with our neighbors and point them to Christ. Children are welcome. [RSVP](#) on the Church Center app.

Staying Up-to-Date with our Missionaries

Our website includes folders with newsletters, pictures and other materials from our missionaries and missions organizations. You can find the page under the Resources tab on Westkirk's home page. The password is the same as for the Shepherd. Link: www.westkirk.org/missionary-updates

Newest Updates:

- Hope Ministries - DSM - Hope Highlights
- Robert Morrison Project - Update from Phil and Renee
- South - Des Moines Juvenile Justice - Weekly Prayer Updates

A word of caution: some of our missionaries are in dangerous areas. Please don't share or post updates online.

The February Communion Offering will go to D & K, one of our missionary families working in a sensitive area. Reach out to an Evangelism Committee member for more information.

Return of Westkirk 101

After our Sunday School class on 1 & 2 Thessalonians ends, we will be going through our revised Westkirk 101 class! The class has undergone a major overhaul since the majority of our congregation has gone through the class. Each class will include a Q & A time with the elders on the class topics. We invite everyone to join this time.

Pastoral Needs Survey - open until Feb. 15

Please take time to fill out the Needed Pastoral Traits survey to give input on what Westkirk needs in its next pastor. The [survey](#) is anonymous and takes about 20 minutes to complete.

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A. The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath fore-ordained whatsoever comes to pass.