

## Staying Up to Date with our Missionaries

Our website includes folders with newsletters, pictures and other materials from our missionaries and mission organizations. You can find the [page](#) under the Resources tab on Westkirk's home page. The password is same as the Shepherd.

### Newest Updates:

- Hope Ministries - DSM - The Stories You're Changing
- Petrou - Greece - God At Work Among Us
- South - DSM 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 Mission to the World Compassion Fund provides immediate relief when the areas MTW's missionaries serve in experience crisis or disaster. For more information, please pick up a flyer from the Welcome Center.

## Stream Team and Sound Team Volunteers

Our Stream Team (online service) and Sound Team are looking for volunteers to serve our congregation with technical needs during our services. If you are interested in helping with sound, please talk to Caleb Klingsheim. Those interested in helping with streaming, see Chris Axtell.

### Westminster Shorter Catechism

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell for ever.

# Westkirk Weekly

## Sunday 5.3.26

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 - Congregational Meeting

## Monday 5.4.26

12:00pm - Omega Small Group/Hospitality Room  
5:30 pm - Committees

## Tuesday 5.5.26

7:00 pm - Women's Bible Study/Library

## Wednesday 5.6.26

7:00 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

## Thursday 5.7.26

7:00 am - Prayer Meeting/Library  
12:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Zoom

## Sunday 5.10.26

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

### Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. What is the misery of the estate whereinto man fell?

## Our Weekly Concerns

### Pastor of the Week

Jody Lucero, Providence Reformed Church, Des Moines

### Missionary of the Week

Ruth Harbor Ministries, Des Moines, IA

### Prayer and Praise

### Continuing to Pray

- Continue to pray for Sue Olson as she grieves the passing of her brother, Jim DeVries.
- Pray for Kinnick Smith, Audrene Hansen's grandson, who was hospitalized with some serious health problems. He is now home.
- Pray for Laura Collochchia, a friend of the Browning family, as she battles stage 4 cancer.

*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.*

### Graduating Seniors

We would like to acknowledge our graduating seniors. If you have a child graduating from high school and would like them to be recognized, please contact the church office.

### VBS 2026 : Building the Body - Volunteers Needed

This year, our summer program is moving to mornings during one full week - July 20-24! We're excited to welcome families from our church and our neighborhood for a week of fun, hospitality, and gospel truth! We'd love for you to be part of the crew as we explore Ephesians to see how God is building His church in Christ! Whether you enjoy teaching, leading games, helping with crafts, welcoming families, or serving behind the scenes, there's a place for you. No experience needed - just a willing heart!, and the ability to serve at least 4 of the 5 days. There are even opportunities to support the week through prayer and setup help!

For more information, check out the article in the May Shepherd, [sign up](#) on Church Center, or contact the church office by June 1. Thank you!

### Women's Spring Bible Study - Tuesdays, 7 pm

All ladies are invited to join us as we study [A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23](#). Our study is led by Becky Jantz and Elizabeth Klingsheim and will meet in the library. See Becky or Elizabeth for details.

### Second Tuesday Lunch and Learn - May 12, 2026, 12 pm

All Westkirk adults are invited to join us for a presentation called Dutch Treat. [RSVP](#) on Church Center or text Mona Yentes directly. (515) 778-5433.

### Dorcas Circle - May 14, 2026, 12 pm

Join us for our final meeting before we break for the summer. Bring a potluck dish to share.

### Student Ministry Smoke-Out - May 30, 5:30 pm

The Smoke-Out Student Ministries fundraiser returns! Do you love eating BBQ? Do you love supporting Westkirk's Student Ministries? Why not do both? Our own Pit Master, Brad Miller, will be smoking up delicious meat; additional foods from Sides by Shannon. Opus Taylor will be providing music. Suggested donation: \$25/adult and \$10/child (under the age of 8.) [Register](#) on the Church Center app. Thanks!

### Summer Kick-off Bonfire - June 6, 5:30 pm

Join us after supper for a bonfire at the Bailey's home! Enjoy delicious s'mores, exciting games and a fun-filled evening with your church family. Details to follow. [Register](#) in the Church Center app. Thanks!

### Corporate Season of Prayer and Fasting

A reminder: the Session has invited the congregation to participate in a season of prayer and fasting as we continue our training and evaluation of officer candidates and as we begin the process of searching for a new senior pastor. We will be fasting together corporately on Thursdays, continuing until we vote to call our next Senior Pastor. Consider fasting for a meal or more and even joining us for one of our Thursday prayer meetings to pray together. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Nathan or another elder.