

Staying Up to Date with our Missionaries

Our website includes newsletters and other materials from our missionaries.

You can find the missionary update [page](#) under the Resources tab at westkirk.org. The password is the same as for the Shepherd, and is available by calling the church office.

Newest Updates:

- Ruth Harbor - DSM - October Prayer Letter

A word of caution: some of our missionaries are in dangerous areas.

Please don't share or post updates online.



Women's Bible Study - Tuesdays, 7pm through the end of October
Study Guide: The Flawed and the Flawless (Tim Keller.) Leaders: Becky Jantz and Elizabeth Klingsheim; meets in the library

Illahee Hills Outreach Service - 3 pm October 4, 18, etc.

Join us for our outreach services at Illahee Hills Retirement Community at 3 pm on October 4, 18 and continuing throughout the year. We are looking for men to share a brief Scripture exhortation, volunteers to lead music, and Westkirk folks to attend! If you would like to help, see Pastor Nathan.

Hats for the Homeless

Help us keep our neighbors warm this winter! We are collecting handmade or purchased winter hats to distribute to those experiencing homelessness through the Salvation Army. A collection bin will be available in the Hospitality Room beginning October 18. Questions? Contact Barbara Orend.. Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors.

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 10.4.26

8:30 am - Prayer Meeting/West Wing
9:00 am - Sunday School/All Ages
10:00 am - Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service/Sanctuary
12:00 pm - Chime Rehearsal/CWC
3:00 pm - Illahee Hills Outreach Service

Monday 10.5.26

12:00 pm - Omega Small Group
5:30 pm - Committees

Tuesday 10.6.26

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

Wednesday 10.7.26

5:30 pm - WOW Meal, Fellowship/Worship
Menu: Tacos and Fixings, Salad, Fruit, Dessert
7:40 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

Thursday 10.8.26

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

Saturday 10.10.26

9:00 am - Evangelism Training
6:00 pm - Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

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Westminster Shorter Catechism

A. The rule which God at first revealed to man for his obedience, was the Moral Law.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q: What did God at first reveal to man for the rule of his obedience?

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Stephen Manyara, Navigators, ISU, Ames

Missionary of the Week

Argyris and Dina Petrou, AMG International;
Greek Bible College and House Damaris



Pray

- Pray for Todd Toulouse's sister, Mel. She's been diagnosed with cancer in multiple areas in her body and has a very long journey ahead.

Continue to Pray

- Pray for the family of Jacob Johnson after the passing of his aunt.

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.



Reformation Sunday and 40th (41st) Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, October 25th is Reformation Sunday! Our service will include a bagpiper processional and recessional followed by our traditional Reformation Sunday lunch.

We will be celebrating Westkirk's 40th Anniversary with special displays in the Hospitality Room and Library. Be sure to take some time to enjoy these displays after worship or lunch.

While we are celebrating our 40 years, our church historian, Gloria Huyser, recently discovered a longstanding error on our history page. Westkirk was actually founded in 1985, making this our 41st year.

Following worship, we will also offer free family photos. Photos will be sent to you digitally and will help us update our church directory.

We look forward to this joyful day together as we worship the Lord and enjoy fellowship with His people!

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - Saturday, October 10, 6 pm

It's a dinner party with surprise guests, a great way to get to know other adults at Westkirk. Each host will provide the main dish and each guest will be asked to bring something for the meal. Please register on Church Center. (Today is the last day to sign up.) Someone will contact you about your assigned location. Please keep the location a surprise as our goal is for everyone to find out who they will share the evening with on the night of the event.

October Lunch & Learn - Tuesday, October 13, 12 pm

Oktoberfest lunch with root beer floats for dessert! Rich and Barb Heki will speak about the important influence grandparents have in the lives of their grandchildren. RSVP on Church Center or on the sign up sheet at the Welcome Center.

Trunk-or-Treat Outreach - Saturday, October 31, 5:30 - 8 pm

Join us for a fun neighborhood outreach featuring a hot dog cookout and Trunk-or-Treat! There are several ways to participate:

- Decorate a trunk (no spooky themes, please) and bring candy to share.
- Help grill and serve hot dogs.
- Simply attend with your family and enjoy the evening while connecting with our neighbors!

Sign up on Church Center. We'll have church invitation postcards available to hand out as you meet people. We'll love to have you be a part of this opportunity to welcome our neighbors and share the love of Christ.

Student Ministries Fall Retreat - November 6-8

Registration is open for this year's Fall Retreat for Student Ministries at Ridge Haven Cono! More details are available on the registration page and even more will be communicated soon. Please register on Church Center by Wednesday, October 21st.

Church Fellowship Committee

The Church Fellowship Committee (formerly Church Life) plans fellowship events and meals here at the church. We are looking for volunteers to help with cooking, set-up, serving or clean-up after events. If you would like more information, please reach out to someone on the committee: Kelly Bartlett, Brad Miller, Val Wilson, Kelly Toulouse, Phil Carpenter or Stephanie Rohloff (committee chair.)