

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 same as for the Shepherd.

Newest Updates:

- D & K - Mid-Year Update
- Freedom for Youth - DSM - Freedom Blend Announcement
- Marvin - Hungary English Camp - Prayer Calendar, Bible Studies
- Ruth Harbor - DSM - July Prayer Letter
- 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.

Drivers Needed

In our efforts to serve the community at Illahee Hills we have begun providing some transportation so that residents can attend worship at Westkirk. We are in need of 2-3 vans each week to pick up at Illahee Hills (less than 1/2 mile away!) around 10:10 and drive residents back promptly after service (as they have a tight lunch hour). If you are interested in serving in this way or have any questions, please contact Chasity Elseman.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

A. The Spirit applyth to us the redemption purchased by Christ,
by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ
in our effectual calling.

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 7.19.26

8:30 am - Prayer Meeting/West Wing
9:00 am - Summer Psalm Sing, All Ages/Great Hall
10:00 am - Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service/Sanctuary

Monday 7.20.26

12:00 pm - Omega Small Group/Hospitality Room
6:30 pm - Session/Calvin Room
NO Men's Conversation Group tonight

Wednesday 7.22.26

7:00 pm - Women's Book Study/Bartlett's Home

Thursday 7.23.26

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

Sunday 7.26.26

8:30 am - Prayer Meeting/West Wing
9:00 am - Summer Psalm Sing, All Ages/Great Hall
10:00 Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service/Sanctuary

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question of the Week (answer on back)
Q. How does the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased
by Christ?

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Will Bankston, One Ancient Hope Presbyterian, Iowa City, Iowa

Missionary of the Week

R&L, CRU and First Hope Association

Prayer

- Our condolences to Todd Aarhus on the passing of his mother, Harriet Aarhus, on July 11, 2026. Her funeral was on Thursday, July 16.

Continue to Pray

- Pray for Kriston Smit and her children as her husband, Brian Smit, Mona Yentes' son, is deployed.

Our Military

- Ben Lanham - Marines, Japan
- Micah Mudlaff - Air Force, Germany
- Jonathan O'Leary - Air Force
- Brian Smit - Navy, Japan
- Ben Green - Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD
- Gor Riak - Air Force, Virginia
- Kate Green - Iowa National Guard
- Ian Carlson - Air Force



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.



Summer Men's Conversations - Mondays at Hiatt's.

Note: the group will not meet on July 20.

Women's Summer Book Study - Wednesdays at 7 pm

Book: Help! I'm Ruining My Kids by Wedgeworth; Bartlett's home.

Ordination and Installation Service - Sunday, July 26th

During the regular morning worship service on Sunday, July 26th we will ordain and install Clay Larson as a Ruling Elder and Eric Turner as a Deacon. Both were elected at our Congregational Meeting on July 12th. Be sure to greet and congratulate each of them. We are thrilled to have them serving at Westkirk!

Urbandale National Night Out - Tuesday, August 4th

Westkirk will again have a booth at this community event which takes place from 5-7:30 PM in the parking lot of the Urbandale Police Department. We will have a small craft activity for children and will be seeking to make our presence known in our community. More details will be forthcoming, but if you are interested in helping out, please contact Pastor Nathan.

Professions of Faith and Baptism

If your child has been talking about taking communion or asking questions about it, praise the Lord! It is a joy to see our children begin to express an interest in the means of grace that God has given to us. If you believe that your child clearly understands their need for Christ, is able to credibly profess their faith in Him, and is ready to come to the Lord's Table, please reach out to one of our elders to get the conversation started. Additionally, if they have not yet been baptized we can discuss that as well. We're excited about the work that God is doing in our children!