

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:

- Hope Ministries - DSM - Stories of Hope
- Manyara - Ames - ISU Navigators Year in Review
- Ruth Harbor - DSM - August 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.

Welcome to Westkirk

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning! Please record your presence and let us know how we may serve you by filling out the Connect Card and placing it in the offering.

Our Church Leadership

- Our Elders: Mark Tippin, Nathan Hiatt, Sam Keithley, Clay Larson, Chris Rohloff and Kirk Yentes.
- Our Deacons: Phil Carpenter, Tom Duff, Eric Turner.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein He pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in His sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 8.9.26

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 8.10.26

8:00 pm - Men's Conversation Group/Hiatts' Home

Tuesday 8.11.26

12:00 pm - Second Tuesday Lunch and Learn

Wednesday 8.12.26

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

Thursday 8.13.26

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

Saturday 8.15.26

9:00am - Evangelism Training/Calvin Room

Sunday 8.16.26

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

note: gluten-free communion bread is available in a basket at the Welcome Center on Communion Sundays

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Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. What is justification?

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Jody Lucero, Providence Reformed Church, Des Moines

Missionary of the Week

Phil and Renee Remmers, Robert Morrison Project

Prayer

- A family who has been longtime friends of Gloria Huyser and whose children have been her students was involved in a fatal car crash this past weekend. Two children survived, but the parents and youngest child did not. Prayers for the entire Witter family of Des Moines and Findley Elementary School.

Continue to Pray

- Katie Raleigh's dad, Joe, who has been having some health issues and possibly a stroke.
- The family of Fran Nugteren as they grieve her passing.

Prayer Request from the Pastor Search Committee (PSC)

The Pastor Search Committee humbly asks for your continued prayers as we move forward in our search for our next Lead Pastor.

- Pray for candidates who are firmly committed to faithfully preaching, teaching, and leading our church according to the Word of God.
- Pray for candidates and their families to be guided by the Holy Spirit in this process. Pray for God's will be to be clear to all.
- Pray for the members of the PSC and our families as we carry out this important responsibility. May God grant us wisdom, discernment, unity and peace as we seek His direction.

Thanks for your faithful prayers, encouragement and support. We are grateful for your partnership as we trust God to lead us through this important season.

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.

Second Tuesday Lunch and Learn - August 11, 12 pm

Join us for an Iowa State Fair "Food on a Stick"-inspired meal and dessert. Eric Willcox will share safety tips for seniors and also an overview of security measures at Westkirk. Do you grow Blue Ribbon worthy flowers or vegetables? Have a knack for art, needlework or woodwork? Bring your items to display for others to enjoy and vote on "Best in Show."

Evangelism Training Classes - Saturdays at 9 am

The Evangelism Committee is giving a ten-week evangelism committee workshop. Class time is Saturday mornings from 9-11 am; some weeks will be held at the church, others at off-site locations for hands-on outreach experience. The first meeting is on August 15 and will be in the Calvin Room. This is the last chance to join. For details, reach out to Andrew Walker (phone and email address in Church Center.)

WOW Restarting on September 9th

An email went out this past week with substantial information about our plans for WOW this year. If you did not receive that email, please talk with Pastor Nathan. There are a few documents available on the Welcome Center that contain much of that information.

Additionally, please register on Church Center if you plan to attend WOW and there is a separate registration if you'd like to volunteer. Please check those out! The schedule for our Wednesday evenings remains largely unchanged:

- Dinner from 5:30-6:15
- Worship from 6:15-6:30
- Discipleship classes from 6:30-7:30.

We're looking forward to our time together!

City of Urbandale Road Work

The City of Urbandale is planning to do roadwork along Colby Parkway in the weeks ahead. For more information, updates and a detour map, please visit their website: urbandale.org/985/Annual-PCC-Patch-Program.