

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 1.11.25

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 1.13.25

12:00 pm - Lunch and Learn
7:00 pm - Women's Bible Study/library

Wednesday 1.14.25

7:30 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

Thursday 1.15.26

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

Sunday 1.18.26

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

A decorative graphic for the month of January, featuring the word "JANUARY" in a stylized, handwritten font. The letters are partially submerged in a blue, brushstroke-style wash that resembles water or ice.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Question of the Week (answer on back)
Q. What do the Scriptures principally teach?

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Shawn Powers, Redemption Hill Church, Waukee, IA

Missionary of the Week

RUF, Iowa City, IA

Prayer and Praise

- Our condolences to the family of Kurt Huyser. His father, Gerald Huyser, passed away on January 4.
- Evenlyn Hackett, mother-in-law of Paul Brown, recently fell and fractured multiple bones. Pray for healing.

Continue to Pray

- Audrene Hansen is suffering from lower back issues and a history of falling. Pray as she receives physical therapy and medical care.

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.

Guest Preacher Today

This morning we have Rev. Matt Bohling bringing the Word. Matt is the Executive Director of Flourish Coaching and is working closely with Westkirk to support Pastor Mark and the process to find a new permanent senior pastor. Please be sure to greet him!

January Communion Offering

This month's communion offering will go toward replacing the carpet in the sanctuary and narthex. We have had a great response to this need and have currently raised around \$42k toward the project. The estimate for the work is around \$45k, so we are really close. Thanks for considering an additional gift to get us over the line!

Westkirk on Wednesday Schedule

Please note that Wednesdays at Westkirk will resume on February 4.

Women's Spring Bible Study

January 6 - March 3

Tuesdays, 7 p.m. - All ladies are invited to join us as we study the book of Hebrews this spring. Our study will be led by Jess Hiatt and Morgan Phipps and will meet in the Hospitality Room.

Lunch and Learn

Tuesday, January 13, 12 pm - Westkirk adults are invited to the Second Tuesday Lunch & Learn from noon to 1:30 in the Great Hall. Lunch will be catered by Chick-Fil-A. Students from Joshua Christian Academy will provide our program. Barbara Orend is providing dessert. Join the Second Tuesday Lunch and Learn group on Church Center to [RSVP](#) and to receive invitations and reminders. Or RSVP by text directly to Mona Yentes at (515) 778-5433. (RSVP by 10am Monday to be included in the catered meal!)

Fellowship Potluck

January 25, 5 pm - We will be having a fellowship meal prior to the Annual Meeting. Please provide a main dish or side to share. Beverages and table service provided.

Annual Meeting

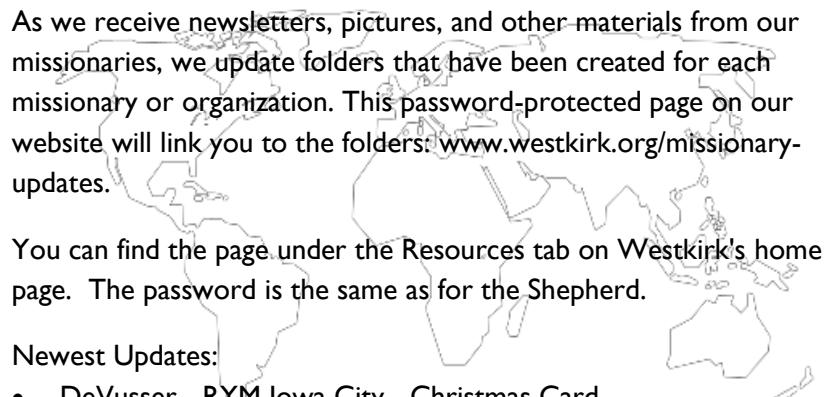
January 25, 5 pm – Join us for a potluck meal in the Great Hall prior to the annual meeting. Please provide a main dish or side to share. Beverages and table service will be provided.

January 25, 6 pm (Sanctuary) – The Session of Westkirk Presbyterian Church is calling a congregational meeting. The agenda for the meeting will be available the week prior to the meeting but will include: a Review of 2025, reports from various ministries, approval of congregational meeting minutes, financial report and the 2026 budget. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

We are working on childcare options during the meeting and will communicate when we have more information. If you would be interested in this, contact Lisa in the church office.

Staying Up-to-Date with our Missionaries

As we receive newsletters, pictures, and other materials from our missionaries, we update folders that have been created for each missionary or organization. This password-protected page on our website will link you to the folders: www.westkirk.org/missionary-updates.


You can find the page under the Resources tab on Westkirk's home page. The password is the same as for the Shepherd.

Newest Updates:

- DeVusser - RYM Iowa City - Christmas Card
- Ruth Harbor - December 2025 "Anchored"
- South - DESM Juvenile Justice - Weekly Prayer Updates
- Togba - Child Relief Foundation - December 2025 update

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

Petalouda School Supply Drive

The Evangelism Committee will be collecting school and hygiene supplies for the ministry of the Petrou family in Petalouda, Greece, who serve the Roma community there. They have requested: kid-safe scissors, colored pencils, crayons, markers, compasses (for drawing circles,) glue sticks, erasers and acrylic paints as well as kids' toothpaste and small, simple towels.

Donations can be dropped off in the bin in the Hospitality Room beginning January 4 through Sunday, January 25th. Thank you.

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A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.