

Westkirk Weekly

Sunday 12.14.25

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
5:00 pm - Children's Ministry Christmas Program "Little Lord Jesus"
5:45 pm - Soup Supper and Carol Sing/Great Hall

Monday 12.15.25

12:00 pm - Omega Small Group/Hospitality Room
6:30 pm - Session/Calvin Room

Tuesday 12.16.25

12:00 pm - Bagpipers/Cosi Cucina

Wednesday 12.17.25

7:30 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

Thursday 12.18.25

7:00 am - Prayer Meeting/Library
12:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Zoom
6:30 pm - Session/Calvin Room

Sunday 12.21.25

9:30 am - Prayer Meeting/Great Hall
10:30 am - Morning Worship Service

Our Weekly Concerns

Pastor of the Week

Isaac Ferrell, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Cedar Rapids, IA

Missionary of the Week

Josh and Leah South, Des Moines Juvenile Justice Ministry,
Greater Iowa Youth for Christ

Prayer and Praise

- Donna Willcox has shoulder surgery on December 17.

Continue to Pray

- David Carson is in the hospital recovering from a serious case of pneumonia.
- Pastor Mark's granddaughter, Dixie, is now at home but still requires oxygen support as she recovers from a bad case of the flu.

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.

December Communion Offering

This month's communion offering will support Dale Hollenbeck's new missions endeavors. He will be mobilizing, training, and supporting church planters among Unreached People Groups in South Asia. This is an area of great need, with about a billion people who have never met a Christian. Please pray for more cross-cultural workers for South Asia and prayerfully consider an additional gift.

Adult Sunday School Class/Great Hall

Paul's letters to the church in Thessalonica are a call for the Church to remember its hope and how it puts all things into perspective the Christian life – particularly persecution. This class will go through both letters to look at the fears of the Thessalonian church and the Scriptural encouragement Paul offers to support their hope in uncertain times.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. What doth the conclusion of the Lord's prayer teach us?

Children's Christmas Program - "Little Lord Jesus"

Tonight, 5 pm - The Children's Christmas Choir and student Chimers will present the nativity story with scripture and song.

Soup Supper and Carol Singing

After the children's program tonight, join us for soup and a Christmas carol sing. Soups will include tomato bisque and chicken noodle. There will also be macaroni and cheese for the kids.

Sunday School in December

Please note that there will be no Sunday School for children or adults on December 21 and December 28.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Wednesday, December 24, 5:30 - Join our choir and brass as we celebrate the birth of our Savior by reading from God's Word and singing carols together. Pastor Tippin will present our meditation.

Christmas Eve Punch and Cookies

Wednesday, December 24, 6:30 - Church Life will host a time of fellowship in the Hospitality Room following the Christmas Eve Service. Please join us for some eggnog punch and a variety of Christmas cookies and treats as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior. Please contact Donna Vorm at iidsvorm@gmail.com or 515-720-0662 if you would like to contribute goodies for our celebration. Thank you!

Consent to Text Form

If you wish to be able to receive text messages (weather related schedule changes, etc.) from Westkirk, please scan this code which will take you to the form on Church Center. Just add your phone number and choose "yes" and submit to consent to receive text messages. Thank you!



Staying Up-to-Date with our Missionaries

NEW LOCATION: As we receive newsletters, pictures, and other materials from our missionaries, we update folders that have been created for each missionary or organization. The tinyurl.com/westkirk link is now disabled. This new, 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. You can obtain the password from the office.

Newest Updates:

- Freedom for Youth - December newsletter
- Hannemans - Colorado - Oaks International - Fall newsletter
- R&L - CRU - December 25 family 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.

Streaming of Services

Our services are livestreamed in their entirety. Additionally, we archive a portion of the service beginning with the Scripture reading to the end of the service. The archived services are available on the Westkirk YouTube channel.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

A. The conclusion of the Lord's prayer, which is, "For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever, Amen." teacheth us, to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing kingdom, power and glory to him. And, in testimony of our desire, and assurance to be heard, we say, Amen.