

# Westkirk Weekly

## Sunday 12.7.25

- 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
- 12:00 pm - Chimes Practice

## Wednesday 12.10.25

- 6:30 pm - Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 7:30 pm - Choir Practice/Great Hall

## Thursday 12.11.25

- 7:00 am - Prayer Meeting/Library
- 12:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Zoom
- 1:00 pm - Dorcas Circle
- 6:30 pm - Session/Calvin Room

## 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 - Sunday School Christmas Program "Little Lord Jesus"  
Soup Supper and Carol Sing/Great Hall

### WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q. What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

## Our Weekly Concerns

### Pastor of the Week

Stephen Manyara, Navigators, ISU, Ames

### Missionary of the Week

Hope Ministries, Des Moines, IA

### Prayer and Praise

- David Carson is in the hospital recovering from a serious case of pneumonia.
- Pastor Mark's granddaughter, Dixie, has been hospitalized with a bad case of the flu.

### Continue to Pray

- Sue Ann Prickett is recovering from recent health issues.

*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.

### Urbandale Food Pantry Update:

During the month of November, Westkirk members were asked to donate soups and hearty meal items for the Urbandale Food Pantry. When we give to this organization, we are stocking the shelves and putting food on the table for families in the Des Moines metro who often go without. Your thoughtful contributions totaled 122 pounds of donated food items. Thanks for supporting your hungry neighbors.

### **Dorcas Circle Christmas Potluck**

Thursday, December 11, 12 pm - Please join us in the Hospitality Room for our Christmas potluck luncheon. Bring a dish, of your choosing, to share. Table service will be provided. We will enjoy fellowship while eating our lunch, then continue our study of the flowers & plants of the Bible. Looking forward to seeing you there.

### **Children's Christmas Program - "Little Lord Jesus"**

Sunday, December 14, 5 pm - The Children's Christmas Choir and student Chimers will present the nativity story with scripture and song.

### **Soup Supper and Carol Singing**

Sunday, December 14 - Join us for soup and singing after the children's Christmas program. Soups will include tomato bisque and chicken noodle. There will also be macaroni and cheese for the kids. Please register on Church Center Events by December 10.

### **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](mailto:iidsvorm@gmail.com) or 515-720-0662 if you would like to contribute goodies for our celebration. Thank you!

### **Staying Up-to-Date with our Missionaries**

As we receive newsletters, pictures, and other materials from our missionaries, we will update folders that have been created for each missionary. This URL will link you to the folders - [www.tinyurl.com/Westkirk](http://www.tinyurl.com/Westkirk)

#### **Newest Updates:**

- DeGraaf - GEM - France - December prayer letter
- Josh South - DSM Juvenile Justice - weekly prayer updates

*A word of caution: Some of our missionaries are in dangerous areas. You can request the current update for those missionaries by emailing [szentlelek-westkirk@yahoo.com](mailto:szentlelek-westkirk@yahoo.com) with the initials of the missionary whose update you want to receive.*

### **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.

### **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. In the sixth petition, which is, "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil," we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.