

May 3, 2020

ALL ACTIVITIES IN THE BUILDING OF WESTKIRK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAVE BEEN CANCELLED INDEFINITELY, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.



Our Weekly Concerns. New additions will be listed in bold print, and names will be removed upon request. Names left on for more than 3 weeks will be removed at the discretion of the office. Please keep these friends in your prayers: Pastor Michael Demastus and Fort Des Moines Church of Christ, Angie, Dan Cox, Dr. Chris Davlantes, Chris Davlantes, Jr., Carol Edwards, Judy Gaumer, Lola Jones and residents of Edgewater Retirement Community, Logan Lowrey, Paul Meinen, Vicki Shaver, Bob Vanderzyl. Congratulations to Kaitlin and Andrew Schoonhoven on the birth of their son, Judah Kersey. Congratulations to Graduating Seniors. Condolences to: Russ and Ellen Harrison and family and friends on the death of Sally Harrison; Bernie and Becky Koebernick and family on the death of their son, Bill.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

Question of the Week (answer on last page)

Q. How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?



Graduating in 2020??? Are you graduating this year from high school, trade school, college, or graduate school? How about someone you know? With ceremonies postponed or cancelled due to the pandemic, it is definitely a strange year to be

reaching such a celebratory milestone! But with our Livestream Worship services, we still have the opportunity to honor our graduates here at Westkirk! We'll be honoring our graduates in worship on Sunday, May 17th. If you would like yourself or your graduate included in the celebration, please email the church office at westkirk.org with their first name, the name of the school they're graduating from, and any future plans they might have. Please email all information by **Wednesday, May 6**. If possible, please also attach a current picture of the graduate.

May Communion Offering - Benevolence Fund. Four times a year our special Communion Sunday offering is designated for the Westkirk Benevolence Fund. The Benevolence Fund is a non-budgeted fund utilized for helping church members and folks from the community who need temporary assistance. Its only source of income is from special gifts such as yours.

Monies are approved by a member of the Pastoral Staff and a check is cut by the church treasurer. Approved funds go directly to pay for housing, utilities or medical bills. The benevolence fund can also supplement food dependence or fuel, but Westkirk contributes to and encourages the use of the Food Pantry system and is a partner with the Urbandale Police Department in providing gasoline.

Remembrance Sunday. On Sunday morning, May 24, Westkirk Presbyterian Church will honor members and friends that have died since last May. This annual 'Remembrance Sunday' tradition will continue this year, even if we are unable to congregate but continue to

worship together via livestream. Please contact the church office by email or call by May 19th. We will need the name of the loved one you wish to remember. Call 515-253-0330 or email westkirk@westkirk.org. For more information, please contact Audrene Hansen at 515-243-1679.

Ruth Harbor Walk By Faith. This Saturday, May 9, Ruth Harbor is hosting their annual "Walk for Life" to raise awareness and financial support for the moms and babies they serve. Since we cannot safely meet and walk, this year we are walking by faith. Please join us by giving your displayed.



walking by faith! Please join us by giving your gift through the **Westkirk Church Family** team. Go to www.RuthHarbor.org and click on the Walk by Faith picture. Down below choose "Register Online." There will be a box to donate to the Westkirk Church Family. Thank you for joining with us to support this amazing ministry.

<u>Let's Pray!</u> Need prayer? We'd love to pray with you and for you! We have a couple of options for you if you would like prayer for yourself or a friend or a family member. We have the **Concerns List** which is printed in the Weekly (this is postonline and shared in livestreamed worship) the **Westkirk Prayer Email** (which goes out only to Westkirk folks who are committed to praying for others). Prayer requests can be submitted to westkirk@westkirk.org. Please specify whether you would like your name/info shared publicly on the Concerns List or more privately on the Westkirk Prayer Email. And as always, if you have an item that is more sensitive still, let us know and your pastors and staff would love to pray for you during our weekly prayer time!

A: Christ executeth the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

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