# Westkirk Weekly

1.9.22

# Sunday 1.9.22

8:30 am- Prayer Time/Knox Room

9:00 am- Sunday School hour for children and adults

10:00 am- Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room

10:30 am- Corporate Worship

12:00 pm- Take down Christmas Decorations

### Tuesday 1.11.22

5:00 pm- Bible Study Fellowship

#### Wednesday 1.12.22

5:30 pm- WOW (Menu: Pizza, salad and cookies)

7:30 pm- Choir

## Thursday 1.13.22

7:00 am- Prayer Meeting/Church

12:00 pm- Prayer Meeting/Zoom

1:00 pm- Dorcas Circle/Hospitality Room

## Sunday 1.16.22

8:30 am- Prayer Time/Knox Room

9:00 am- Sunday School for children and adults

10:00 am- Fellowship Time/Hospitality Room

## **Call to Annual Meeting**

Jan. 30

The evening will begin with a potluck supper in the Great Hall at 5:00 pm. Bring your favorite dish to share. Table service and beverages will be provided. We have so many good cooks here at Westkirk! The business meeting will follow at 6:00 pm. This will be an opportunity to review the events of 2021. The Nominating Committee will present the candidates for the offices of Ruling Elder and Deacon to be elected. The financial report will be reviewed, and the 2022 budget will be presented for approval.

This is your opportunity to offer encouragement and helpful suggestions to your church leaders, an opportunity of which we should all take advantage. Your presence and votes are very important to the life and health of Westkirk. Reserve the evening of January 30 now!

# **Our Weekly Concerns**

#### Pastor of the Week

Ben Falconer, Proclamation Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr, PA

# Missionary of the Week

Michael and Megan Hunsberger, Teen Challenge of the Midlands

#### **New Concerns:**

- Lou Civitarese, facing upcoming surgeries and new cancer diagnosis.
- Josh and Lauren Benton, with renewed challenges in their current foster placement.

## Continue to pray for:

- Trent Vis, starting a new medication in an attempt to stop the progressive loss of lung capacity. Also pray that he can stay free of infection.
- Jim Anderson, brother of Barb Springer, starting chemo and radiation for a new cancer diagnosis.
- Judy Gaumer, as she makes decisions about her living situation, and relief from chronic pain.
- Lainey Ellsbury, sister of Cassie Lewellen, who recently fractured her leg. She is in a boot and able to avoid surgery, but it remains a challenge as she has many special needs.

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.

## **Wow Classes Resuming!**

Jan. 12

There will be two class options for WOW:

Westminster Confession—Pastor Michael will continue his class on the Westminster Confession of Faith in the hospitality room. Even if you didn't join the first portion, it's not too late to come if you're interested in learning more about this important Confession. (Hospitality Rm)

Lessons from the Upper Room—Pastor Nathan will be leading a class utilizing some video teaching from Sinclair Ferguson on John 13-17 which is often called Jesus' "Farewell Discourse". After watching the video there will be some time for reflection and discussion. (Calvin Rm)

## Small Group Sign up!

Small groups will be starting up soon-some even this week! If you want to join a small group and haven't signed up yet, we would encourage you to do that ASAP. The easiest route is to get on the



Church Center app and browse the different groups for yourself. From there, you can "request to join" any group that works for you and the leader will contact you. If you need help with Church Center, please don't hesitate to call the office and we will help you.

# New Adult Sunday School Classes Begin Today! 9am

I Peter- Taught by Doug Peter, Chris Axtell, Ken Matteson (Great Hall)

The letter of I Peter is a traveler's guide for Christian pilgrims. To believers scattered throughout Asia Minor, Peter wrote with a reminder that they were temporary residents, strangers looking toward their true homeland. As stormy persecutions were beginning in the region, Peter brought a message of hope, encouraging readers to see their lives in the context of God's great work of salvation.

**Gentle and Lowly-** Taught by Nathan Hiatt, Kirk Yentes, Mark DeGroot (Calvin Room)

Christians know what Jesus Christ has done—but who is he? What is his deepest heart for his people, weary and faltering on their journey toward heaven? Jesus said he is "gentle and lowly in heart". This class will use Gentle and Lowly by Dane Ortlund to reflect on these words to see who Jesus is for sinners and sufferers today.

(If you did not receive one of these books on Christmas Eve, please pick one up and begin reading!)

#### WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Question of the Week (answer on back)

Q: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

## 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 URE will link you to the folders-

www.tinyurl.com/westkirk

New Updates this week:

Evan and Tone Strait, Navigators, Norway

A word of caution: Some of our missionaries are in dangerous areas. Updates for these missionaries may be found by clicking on the Westkirk Shepherd link on our website and entering the password. Please limit your use of this information to uphold these brothers and sisters in prayer! Printing and/or sharing some of the newsletters may put our missionaries in danger.

## **Dorcas Circle**

Jan. 13 Ipm

Please join us for Dorcas Circle on Jan. 13 at 1pm. Donna Nelson will be our Hostess. We will have fellowship and dessert, then will continue our study in Nehemiah. We look forward to you joining us!

## Freedom for Youth Volunteer Rally Jan. 18 5:30pm

If you are a volunteer, or are interested in becoming a volunteer, join the Freedom for Youth Team as they honor their volunteers with a Taco Tuesday from 5:30-7:30pm at the Des Moines/Hickman site. With questions or an RSVP, e-mail tvandelune@freedomforyouth.org or call (515)-282-4822.

A: There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

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