

CARING MINISTRIES



GriefShare is a 13 week (offered continuously) support group for anyone grieving the death of a loved one, whether recently or in the past. Each session stands alone so you may join at any time during the series. The group meets on Monday evenings

from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Caring Ministry Room on the Upper Level. For more information or to register contact: Vikki O'Hara, M.Div., Director of Caring Ministries at: 402-650-9489 or vikki.ohara@faithwestwood.com and/or go to griefshare.org.



This ministry creates handmade items to be given by those in our church to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers as symbols of our prayers and God's love. Knitted or crocheted baby afghans may be picked up from the rack in



the foyer for those you know who have a new baby. The group also creates knitted or crocheted prayer shawls for women and fleece blankets for men. Anyone in our congregation may pick these up from the rack in the foyer to take to someone they know who may be experiencing a life challenge such as illness, grief, etc. The group which makes these gifts meets twice a month, in addition to working at home, and welcomes new members. For more information contact: Sandi Smith at smiths4@cox.net or 402-616-1697 or Darline Redd at tinkered@cox.net or 402-681-1441.

CareMat Ministry

A large group of men and women meet 3 Wednesday afternoons per month from 1-3 PM to sort, flatten and cut plastic grocery sacks into strips which are then crocheted into plastic sleeping mats for homeless members of our community. This ministry has created hundreds of mats which are distributed by the organizations and agencies in the Omaha metro which serve those who are homeless. In addition, these Wednesday afternoon gatherings provide a wonderful opportunity to get to know others in our church, and share fellowship and friendship while serving our community. For more information about volunteering or plastic bag donation guidelines, contact: Linda Hughes at 402-320-7379 or LindaVail425@gmail.com.

Our Mission: Making disciples of Jesus Christ

Our Values:



RELATIONAL
We share life with one another in loving, challenging, Spirit-led community.



PRACTICAL
We apply the Bible to daily life and build Christ-centered homes.



GENERATIONAL
We bring children, students, and adults together as we follow Jesus.



MISSIONAL
We love Jesus by feeding, befriending, and blessing those in need.



INVITATIONAL
We invite others into our lives and into a relationship with God.

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PRAYER CHAIN: prayers@faithwestwood.com
WORSHIP SERVICES: Sundays @ 9 & 10:45 a.m.

LEAD PASTOR Steve Todd

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Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday - Friday

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Sermon Notes:

Next Sunday:

When I'm Afraid

Fear may be our most common human emotion. We experience it in many forms: anxiety, dread, worry, terror, etc. Fear is a reaction to a perceived threat. But there's a greater reality than that which makes us fearful, and Jesus invites us into that truth. Four times in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells his disciples, "Don't be afraid." We'll dive into one each Sunday, April 8 -29.

April 8 - When I'm Afraid of Suffering

Once you speak up for someone, you may be left out and lied about. Once you stand up for something, you may be pushed around and pushed aside. People with power may hurt you, but Jesus says, "Don't be afraid of them. They can only kill you."



Relaxed Traditional - 9 a.m.

Prelude	"Lift High the Cross" Brenda Bowers, piano; David Gerard, organ
Welcome	Pastor Steve Todd
Hymn	#302 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"
Children's Time	Leah Dinoso
Opportunities	Donna Sandoval
Offering	"Glory to the Risen Lamb!" Chancel Choir, Jill Anderson, director Meredith Flynn, accompanist
Special Music	Chancel Choir "Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary" "Hallelujah! Resurrection Day!"
Scripture	Terry Lammert John 20:11-20
Message	Pastor Steve Todd <i>We Are Wounded Healers</i>
Communion	#292, "What Wondrous Love Is This" #308, "Thine Be the Glory" #310, "He Lives" #322, "Up from the Grave He Arose" #327, "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #347, "Spirit Song"
Blessing	
Shalom	

Casual Contemporary 10:45 a.m.

Preservice Song	"People Get Ready"
Welcome	Pastor Steve Todd
Song	"This I Believe"
Children's Time	Leah Dinoso
Special Music	"Save Us Now" "Hosanna" Three Pointe Choir, Bucky McCann, director
Opportunities	Donna Sandoval
Offering	"Victorious"
Song	"To Our God"
Scripture	LaVonne Rosenthal John 20:11-20
Message	Pastor Steve Todd <i>We Are Wounded Healers</i>
Communion	"It Is Well With My Soul" "Build Your Kingdom Here" "Amazing Grace"
Blessing	

Today's Mission Offering - FaithWorks Pantry
FaithWorks Pantry offers food staples to those in our area who are in need every Third Wednesday of the Month from 5:00-7:00 p.m. and every Fourth Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
You can also give with your mobile device by texting PANTRY to 402-316-5481 (instructions are inside this bulletin).
March 25, 2018 mission offering - Helping Hands = \$1,450.83



Deep. Daring. Daily.



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VBS - June 10-14, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Ages 3-just finished 5th grade
Register at tinyurl.com/FWVBS18

Student Ministry Director: Polly Pierce
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Mark Your Calendars STUDENTS!
 Sunday, April 22nd our Student Ministry is SERVING! After the 10:45am service, we will be heading over to Scatter Joy Acres for some outdoor spring cleaning. Grab a friend and sign-up!! (per Sign-up Genius) Visit the Student Ministry table for more information!

****SPRING MINISTRY SCHEDULES are available at the Student Ministry table in the foyer.****

If you would like to know more about FaithWestwood's Student Ministry, stop by the Student Ministry table or email Polly! Our heart is students! Our heart is Jesus! Our heart is giving opportunity for the two to intersect.



An opportunity to learn more about the FaithWestwood family, connect with others, and meet Pastor Steve. A light lunch will be served, and children are welcome!

FaithLink is usually held on the first Sunday of the month after the second service. However, we have a special one coming up on April 15! Please join us at 12:15 in the Chapel (second floor).



Interested in baptism? Learn about it at a one-hour class on April 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

If you have any questions or would like to register contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x1006.



Saturday, July 21
8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

If you are interested in moving from a participant to a partner we would like to invite you to join Pastor Steve for FaithWalk! We will talk about our faith and what it means to be a member of FaithWestwood. Following the class you will have the opportunity to take the membership covenant. If you have questions or want to register contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x1006.



Collecting supplies for Costa Rica - Shoes and Basketballs
 Our team of 11 people is heading to San Jose, Costa Rica on June 2nd. While there, they will be holding a Basketball clinic to do outreach in the park in the middle of Tirasses. We would like to bring BRAND NEW youth and full size basketballs and handheld ball pumps to share with clinic participants. It would be especially helpful if these could be deflated to fit as many as possible in our luggage

Also, we are collecting new or gently used tennis shoes, to help the Student Ministry meet their goal of 175 pairs for the families in Tirasses.

Donations can be given at the church office, or contact Darren Timberlake at darren.timberlake@faithwestwood.com.

ABIDE Spring Clean-up - Saturday April 14th

A group of volunteers from Faith Westwood will be participating in ABIDE Omaha's spring cleanup in North Omaha

The event starts at 9am on April 14th with a worship rally at Bridge Church, followed by dispersal to neighborhoods across North Omaha for clean up projects

For more information about joining this group contact Darren Timberlake at darren.timberlake@faithwestwood.com

Give by TEXT

You can now give your Offering by credit card through a text on your smart phone.

- In the Text app on your phone:**
- Type the phone number 402-316-5481
 - In the text message, type a \$ followed by the amount you want to give, e.g.. \$20.00
 - Press the space key 1 time
 - Type the word GIVE if you want to give to our General Fund OR
 - Type this week's code (found on front page in Today's Mission offering) if you want to give to our Mission Outreach

...then follow the prompts to set up your text payment account. Save the phone number in your smart phone and the next time you want to text give, just change the code and dollar amount.