

Our Mission:

Making disciples of Jesus Christ



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.

Stay CONNECTED

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WORSHIP SERVICES: Sundays @ 9 & 10:45 a.m.
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SHARING HOPE



Deep. Daring. Daily.

Welcome!

If this is your first time at FaithWestwood, we want you to know how glad we are you came. We also know it can be a little scary coming to a new church. That's why we want to do everything we can to help you feel at home, find new friends, and take the next step in your faith.

Green shirts, green sheets, green bags

If you have questions, ask anyone wearing a green FaithWestwood polo this morning. Or leave us a note on the green sign-in sheet in your bulletin, which will be collected with the offering. We also invite our new guests to pick up one of our "little green bags" in the foyer. Inside you'll find a little info and a small gift.

We hope that what you experience this morning brings you back next weekend. We'd love to see you again soon!

Meet Our Staff...

Each week we will introduce you to one of our staff members:

Dawn Stock - Missions Director

I am here to help you with:

- Getting involved with one of our local Mission Partners. Such as the FaithWorks Pantry, Central Middle School, or Together.
- Finding an opportunity for your small group to serve.
- Answering questions about our Mission Trips and the missionaries that we support.



Contact me at 402-895-3394 ex.1012 or dawn.stock@faithwestwood.com

Coming Up @ FaithWestwood...

November 20, 2016 - A Wealth of Hope

When we belong to Jesus, materially we live poorer than we are. We don't buy for status. We don't need the best. We love to give. Because we know if we put our hope in wealth, it will let us down.

When we belong to Jesus, spiritually we live richer than we are. He imparts his righteousness to us. We have the status of being a child of God. Every day we are blessed. Because we know if we put our hope in God, he will never let us down.



Children's Director: Leah Dinoso
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All About That Baby Christmas Pageant

Be sure to turn in your permission slip (or email leah.dinoso@faithwestwood.com with sizes) before Wednesday, November 16th to ensure that your child has a pageant t-shirt to wear for the Pageant on December 11th.

All About That Baby Dress Rehearsals

Saturday, December 3 & 10 - 10:00-12:00

Nursery & PreK - Hand in Hand

Bible Story: I am thankful for my community. Nehemiah Builds a Wall • Nehemiah 1-6

Bottom Line: I am thankful for people who help me.

Memory Verse: "Always give thanks to God." Ephesians 5:20, NIV

Elementary - Spotlight: Do You See What I See?

Bible Story: Project Runaway (David and Jonathan) • 1 Samuel 18:1-9; 19:1-7; 20:1-42

Bottom Line: Honor others by putting them first.

Memory Verse: "Love one another deeply. Honor others more than yourselves." Romans 12:10, NIV



Student Ministry Director: Polly Pierce
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Lock-in: Friday, Nov. 18th - High School Lock-In. 8pm. Please see Polly for more details at the Student Ministry table.

HEY STUDENTS!!!! Are you following FaithWestwood Student Ministries on social media?

Facebook, IG, and Twitter! Get there for updates and information about our events and reminders!

Instagram: faithwestwood_student_min

Twitter: @FW_StuMin

Missions

Thanksgiving Meal Bag – 300 Bags

Thank you to all who have donated food or money to help provide 300 Thanksgiving Meal Bags to the community this Saturday, November 19.

We are in need of a few volunteers to help with the bag distribution this Saturday, November 19. If you are interested in helping to hand out donuts, direct traffic, or help as needed, please see us at the table in the foyer. Shifts are available between 8:00 – 11:00 am.

Costa Rica Travel – Interest & Availability

There is a tremendous amount of energy and love from our congregation surrounding our kids in Tirrases right now. And as we heard from Carlos a few weeks ago, amazing things are happening in Tirrases.

If you have an interest in going on an adult or family Mission Trip to Costa Rica, to experience first hand what is going on, please give me a call or email. I am trying to gauge the availability and interest within our congregation. No commitments yet, just interest.

SAVE THE DATE – December

ABIDE - Christmas Caroling, December 6, 6-8 pm.

ABIDE - Lights of Hope Display Grand Opening, December 13, 6-8 pm

Contact Information

For additional information or questions on these or other Mission Projects please contact Dawn Stock, dawn.stock@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 ext. 1012

Mission Offerings

Mission Offering Today – FaithWorks Pantry

Our mission offering today will go to support our FaithWorks Pantry and the Thanksgiving Meal Bags that will be given out on Saturday, November 19.

Last week’s mission offering - FaithWorks Pantry = \$835.85

Turn Your Required Distributions into Charitable Donations

IRS rules mandate that individuals age 70-1/2 and older take Required Minimum Distributions (RMD’s) from their IRA each year, regardless of whether the income is needed. These annual withdrawals are subject to ordinary income taxes. By making a charitable contribution from your IRA, you can satisfy your RMD amount without reporting additional income.

This provision may be especially attractive for retirees who don’t need all the income from their IRA to meet current living expenses. By donating the money to the church, you can enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that you are contributing to the mission of the church while effectively lowering your tax bill.

Donating IRA assets can be a financially rewarding strategy for both you and the church. As always, you should talk with your financial representative or tax advisor before making a decision that alters your tax situation.

Please be aware that you may make tax-free 2016 transfers from your IRA or Roth-IRA if:

- You are 70-1/2 years old or older
- Your tax-free transfers do not exceed \$100,000
- The transfers are made by December 31st
- Your tax free transfers are made directly from your IRA or Roth-IRA directly to the church

We have found that it can take from a few days to a few weeks to complete tax-free transfers, so if this is something you would like to complete prior to the end of this year, please take this into consideration.

Please call Rich Anderson in the church office if you have questions: 402-895-3394 x1004

New Home? Home Blessings Available

FaithWestwood will now be offering the United Methodist “Service of Home Blessing.” This brief service may be done at any time but is especially appropriate when you have recently moved to a new home or apartment. Some families combine this with a “house warming” or “open house,” while others include close friends and family, and others just immediate family. To arrange a home blessing, contact Vikki O’Hara, M.Div., Congregational Care Director, at vikki.ohara@faithwestwood.com or 402-650-9489. When your house is blessed you will receive a special plaque to display in your home.

Hospital and Pre-Surgical Visitation

Our goal is to visit those in our congregation when you are hospitalized and to pray with you at the hospital before any surgeries you may require. These visits are made based upon a specific request from you or an immediate family member who lets us know that you have been, or will be, hospitalized. Our Congregational Care Director can be contacted 24/7 at 402-650-9489 or vikki.ohara@faithwestwood.com and is available to be there at any time of the day or night.

What’s Happening

Shh...It’s a Secret

On Saturday, November 19, Katherine Kirby will celebrate her 99th birthday! Many of you know that Katherine has attended the 9:00 service for many years, and has rarely missed a Sunday service. This week she will be moving to an assisted living facility in Fort Calhoun, so will not be able to see her FaithWestwood family very often.

Katherine loves receiving cards, so we would like to shower her with birthday cards from as many people in the congregation as possible! If you would like to send Katherine a card, please mail it to:

Katherine Kirby
Autumn Pointe Assisted Living
501 N 13th St,
Fort Calhoun, NE 68023

You’re Invited

We will have a surprise birthday celebration for Katherine in between services next Sunday, November 20. Please stop by between 10:15 - 10:45 to wish Katherine a happy birthday and have some cake!

Amazing Grays

AMAZING GRAYS will meet Tuesday, Nov 15 at 12:00 noon. Reservations must be in by Monday Nov 14 by either signing the attendance card on Sunday morning or calling Howard and Carolyn Rhoten at 402-895-3530. Cindy Van Bibber will present the program on the new Omaha National Cemetery

Upcoming Holiday Services

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 23, 6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center

Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 11, 9 and 10:45 a.m.

Christmas Eve Services

Saturday, December 24
3 p.m. - Family Friendly
5 p.m. - Traditional
8 p.m. - Contemporary

No Sunday Services on Christmas morning

Interested in membership?

Contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x 1006.

NOVEMBER 13, 2016

Sunday - 9 am

Prelude “Majesty”
Brenda Bowers, piano; David Gerard, organ

Welcome..... Pastor Steve Todd

Call to Worship Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn..... The Gift of Love, #408

Little Angels..... “The Good, Good Shepherd,” “Good News”
Sue Hamilton, director

Children’s Time..... Pastor Steve Todd

Greeting - Blest Be the Tie

Opportunities/Celebrations Donna Sandoval

Offering..... In Christ Alone
Chancel Choir, Jill Anderson, director

Act of Praise..... Praise the Name of Jesus*

Offering Prayer - The Lord’s Prayer Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn..... My Jesus, I Love Thee, #172

Thanksgiving Meal Bags Blessing Dawn Stock

Scripture: Philippians 4:15-20 Gary Jones

Message A Hope Worth Sharing
Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn (as time allows)..... Christ for the World to Sing, #568

Blessing..... Pastor Steve Todd

Shalom

***This hymn is from The Faith We Sing book, which is different from our hymnal. Please read the lyrics from the screen.**

