

Welcome!

If this is your first time at FaithWestwood, we hope you feel warmly welcomed today - and that you begin to see yourself as part of our church family.

If you have questions, ask anyone wearing a green FaithWestwood polo, or leave us a note on the green Connection Card found in the pews. We also invite our new guests to pick up a free gift at the Coffee Bar.

Meet Our Staff...

Each week we introduce you to one of our staff members.

Leah Dinoso - Director of Children's Ministry

I'm here to help you with:

- Volunteering in the many different areas of Sunday School and Vacation Bible School
- Questions about Safe Gatherings Certification
- Resources for your family's faith life at home
- Working together with the family to raise "Spiritual Champions"



Contact me at 402-895-3394x1002 or leah.dinoso@faithwestwood.com.



This Week At FaithWestwood...

Today 3 p.m.
 Mon., 12/10 1-1:45 p.m.
 Mon., 12/10 7-8 p.m.
 Tue., 12/11 6:30-8 p.m..
 Wed., 12/12 1-3 p.m.
 Wed., 12/12 6:30-7:15 p.m.
 Wed., 12/12 6:30-8:15 p.m.
 Wed., 12/12 7:30-8:30 p.m..
 Thu., 12/13 1-1:45 p.m.

Barbershop Concert
 Tai Chi
 Handbell Choir
 GriefShare
 CareMaters
 Children's Choirs
 Student Ministry
 Chancel Choir
 Tai Chi

Worship Center
 Children's Large Room
 Bell Choir Room
 Caring Ministry Room
 Student Ministry Room
 Rooms 201, 205
 Student Ministry Rooms
 Choir Room
 Children's Large Room

LIMITED TIME ONLY!
FaithWestwood stainless steel coffee mugs for only \$13.

How can you help FaithWestwood be more eco friendly?

- Consider brining your own spillproof mug
- Use a spoon instead of a stir stick
- Donate to help purchase recyclable/compostable cups/lids



MESSAGES AVAILABLE ONLINE

Want to watch more messages or get another copy of the bulletin? You can find them online at www.faithwestwood.com.

Our Mission:

Making disciples of Jesus Christ

How can I live the mission? Be a BLESS friend!

Begin with prayer

Pray for a few people in your life who may be living far from God. Ask God, "How do you want me to bless them?"

Listen with care

Ask them questions, and love by listening more than talking. Pay attention to their dreams and pain. Listen for evidence of God's work in their lives.

Eat together

Share meals with those in your life who are still finding their way back to God. Practice hospitality and deepen relationships by eating together.

Serve in love

Watch for opportunities to show you care by serving them in practical ways. Allow them to serve you, as well. By serving and being served they will begin to experience the love of Jesus.

Share your story

As you begin to earn trust with someone who may not yet know Jesus, look for opportunities to share how he is changing your life and the world.

Stay CONNECTED

www.faithwestwood.com

PRAYER CHAIN: prayers@faithwestwood.com

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

LEAD PASTOR Steve Todd

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Sermon Notes:

Next Sunday:

December 16, 2018 - Encourage One Another with These Words

The word Advent means "coming." And while we look back and celebrate the first Advent of Jesus, we also look forward to his second Advent. That will be the final reset button, where all who belong to Jesus will live with him in the New Jerusalem, "and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes" (Revelation 7:17). Be encouraged.

Childrens Pageant



December 9th, 2018

Relaxed Traditional - 9 a.m.

Preservice Music
 David Gerard, Scott McPherson, Brenda Bowers

Special Music "Mary Did You Know"
 Shane Goughnour

Welcome Pastor Steve Todd

Advent Candle Terry Lammert

Song "Waiting, Waiting" vs. 2

PreK Song Trish Todd, guitar

Opportunities Donna Sandoval

Offering "Heaven Everywhere"
 Chancel Choir, Jill Anderson, director
 Meredith Flynn, accompanist

Christmas Music Chancel Choir
 "How Quietly"
Phil Dean, soloist
 "Goin' to Bethlehem"
 "Sing Noel" *Chancel & Cherubs*

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Blessing Pastor Steve Todd

Casual Contemporary 10:45 a.m.

Preservice Song "Dance of Joy"
 Three Pointe Choir, Bucky McCann, dir.

Welcome Pastor Steve Todd

Advent Candle Kayla Whiteman

Songs "Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)"
 "My Hope Is You"

Opportunities Donna Sandoval

Offering "Born Is the King of the World - O Come All Ye"
 Three Pointe Choir
 Kayla Whiteman, soloist

PreK Song Trish Todd, guitar

Christmas Music Three Pointe Choir
 "Little Drummer Boy"
 "Believe in Christmas"
Jeff Inman, soloist
 "Believe Medley"

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Blessing

Finale "Christmas"

Today's musicians: Clarke Edson, bass guitar; Donovan Johnson, keys; Frank Prince, electric guitar; Tim Quance, drums.

Mission offering today - ABIDE Sahler Street Lighthouse

FaithWestwood is committed to supporting the ministry of Jacob and Mary Dotzler in North Omaha. Jacob and Mary are missionaries to the families that live in the 2 blocks that FaithWestwood has adopted. Hosting homework and snack time, planning block parties and investing daily in the lives of their neighbors...Jacob and Mary live out an example of Christian marriage and parenthood that is so uncommon in the homes around them.

100% of what you place in the Missions envelopes in today's offering will assist the Dotzler's in transforming their community with Christ's Love.

You can also give to The Sahler Street Lighthouse by texting a dollar amount, then the word ABIDE to 402-316-5481. (Instructions are inside this bulletin.)

December 2 mission offering - "Our Jerusalem" = \$527.66



Deep. Daring. Daily.



Christmas Eve Services

3 p.m. - Family Friendly
5 p.m. - Traditional
8 p.m. - Contemporary
in the Worship Center



Pete & RePete are hosting "Treasure Hunt" February 24th
12 - 2 p.m.

They are returning to the island they were shipwrecked on this summer to look for a special treasure.

Everyone is invited to this family Treasure Hunt adventure!



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Save the Date:

Sunday December 16th - filling "Happy Birthday Jesus!" party bags during Sunday School



Sunday, December 30th
9 & 10:45 a.m.

Kids - come to church in your comfy pj's and we will have Poptarts & Praise during Sunday school as we celebrate a New Year!



FaithWorks Pantry Savvy Shopper

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Here is a list of items that are in high demand at FaithWorks Pantry, which happen to be ON SALE in your local grocery ads this week...

Baker's: Campbell's Chunky soup, \$.99, buy 8, with card
Nature Valley or Fiber One bars, \$1.79, buy 5, with card
General Mills or Kellogg's Cereal, \$1.99, buy 5, with card

Fareway: Fareway pasta, \$.88

Hy-Vee: Hy-Vee chicken noodle or tomato soup, \$.39
General Mills Chex cereal, \$1.88
Skippy peanut butter, \$1.48
Kraft mac n cheese, \$.69, with coupon, limit 1

Super Saver:

General Mills Chex cereal, 3/\$5
Libby canned vegetables, 2/\$1

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE for O'NEILL, NEBRASKA CHILDREN

For the next 3 weeks we are partnering with Amy Shane, Superintendent of O'Neill Public Schools, to help provide a \$15.00 Christmas gift for each of the 65 children whose parents lost their jobs in O'Neill earlier this year.

At this time almost 20 of the approximately 110 workers have had their hearings, their cases closed, and are awaiting receipt of their work permits so they can return to work. In the meantime, your \$15 gifts likely represent the only Christmas presents their children will receive this year.

In the foyer (near the nativity scene) is a small Christmas tree decorated with envelopes. The funds placed in these envelopes will be used to purchase the gift for each child. Please place your cash/check (\$15 minimum, if possible) in one of the envelopes and put the envelope in the glass jar next to the tree. Someone will be at the tree if you have questions! (Make checks payable to FaithWestwood and mark "Giving Tree" on the memo line.)



Donations may also be made by texting \$15 and the code TREE to 402-316-5481.



Saturday February 16, 8:30-12:30 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.



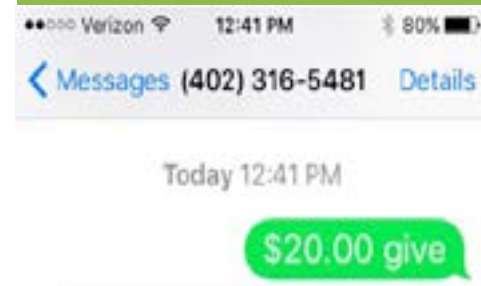
Student Ministry Director: Polly Pierce
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This week in FW Student Ministry:

Wednesday, December 12th: MS Christmas Party,
6:30-8:15pm

It is our heart at FW Student Ministry to engage today's youth by providing a welcoming environment to build a foundation of faith.

Give by TEXT



1. Text (402) 316-5481
2. Any \$dollar amount and Offering Code
 - ABIDE is for the General Fund
 - 68137 for the Mission Offering
3. Follow prompts to set-up account
4. Save as a contact for future text giving



If you are looking for people to share your faith and life with, a FaithGroup is the place for you! Most groups meet weekly and discuss Sunday's message. For more information contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x1005

Prayer Lists

Weekly prayer concerns, joys and thanksgivings are now being emailed to the FaithWestwood prayer chain. To receive these please email prayers@faithwestwood.com and ask to be added to the prayer chain email group. If you do not use email and would like to have a copy of the weekly prayer list, copies will be available on Sunday mornings on the rack in the foyer where the prayer shawls and prayer blankets are.