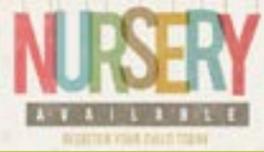


Faith-Link

If you are new or not yet a member, FaithLink is a place to explore more about FaithWestwood, connect with others, and chat with Pastor Steve.

Join us upstairs in the Chapel Sunday, January 7th at 12:15. A light lunch will be served. Visit the Connections Center for more information.



Nursery is available every Sunday at both services for children under age 3. It is a safe place for them to socialize, play, listen to a Bible story, do a small craft and enjoy a snack.

Nervous about leaving your child in a new place? We understand and have a paging system to contact you if anything would come up while your child is in the nursery.



Sydney Beran is our Nursery Coordinator and available to visit with you about any concerns or if you are interested in serving in the Nursery. Scan the QR code or contact her at sydney.beran22@gmail.com or 402-719-9829.

Student Ministry Director: Polly Pierce
polly.pierce@faithwestwood.com
 402-895-3394 x 1005



Be blessed this season! Happy New Year!

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.



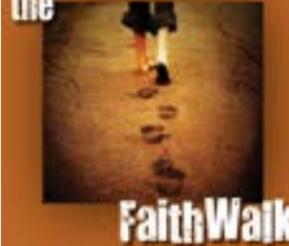
Purpose Driven Life

Mondays 6:30 p.m. Begins Monday, January 15th
 Cost: \$20 for book & study guide

Join us on a journey of discovery. Throughout this six session video-based study you are going to discover the answer to life's most fundamental questions: What on Earth am I here for?

For more information and to register contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x1006

FAITHWALK
 Saturday February 10th 8:30-12:00p



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.



You're invited to the 2018 Work as Worship Retreat, where eleven influential business leaders and pastors will discuss what it looks like to connect faith and work. Taking place as a 1-Day Local Church Retreat on February 23, 2018, the live event in Dallas will be web-streamed to over 2,000 churches around the world. Visit the Connections Center for more information.

MISSIONS

Costa Rica Update

The adult missions team to Costa Rica is being postponed to June this year. Many members of the congregation who have expressed interest in Costa Rica are unable to go until the summer. If you are interested in joining this team, Monday January 22 is the new deadline to have deposits submitted to Darren Timberlake in the church office. Contact Darren at darren.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x 1012 for information.



United Methodist Women

FAITH
 HOPE
 LOVE IN ACTION

Marilyn Hart - 402- 321-1164
 Gaylene Adler - 402-895-3926

The Unit meeting of the United Methodist Women will be held on January 3rd at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall. We will have a light breakfast and then our pledge service. A short business meeting will follow. All women are invited to come help us celebrate the coming of our New Year. For more information call Marilyn Hart at 402-321-1164.



As part of FaithWestwood's value of being "INVITATIONAL" we want to encourage you to share the handmade Prayer Shawls (women), Prayer Blankets (men) and Baby Afghans which are lovingly created by our Blanketed With Prayer Ministry

volunteers. These pre-bagged gifts are now available in the Foyer for you to pick up on Sunday mornings to give to those you are praying for who have a newborn, or who are ill, hospitalized, or grieving. *(There is never a charge for these items, though free-will donations to help offset the cost of supplies are welcomed.)*



Ignite Prayer

You are invited to join us each month as we gather for prayer. This is a great place to grow in your

journey of becoming a deep, daring, and daily disciple. We pray for approximately one hour, we have time of silent prayer and there is time for you to pray out loud if you wish. We also send home prayer materials. We normally meet the first Tuesday of the month; however, in January we will meet the 2nd Tuesday, January 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.



Who's up for this challenge? Do you want your kids to not just believe the Bible...but love it? This is where Eat This Book: Journey Through the New Testament challenge comes in. The 3rd Grade Bible kids will be embarking on the Eat This Book Challenge in 2018 to help them develop a discipline of reading, processing, and applying God's Word.

Would your family like to join us on this challenge too? We'd love as many families as possible to join us!

This challenge begins January 1 and ends May 28. You can pick up the Eat This Book guide from Leah on Sunday or in the 3rd grade Sunday School room. It includes all the info you need to begin this journey!

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.

Welcome!

Welcome! If this is your first time at FaithWestwood, we want you to know how glad we are you came and that what you experience will bring you back next weekend.

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 Connections Center.

Meet Our Staff...

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

Darren Timberlake, Director of Missions

I am excited about the many types of outreach FaithWestwood offers. The Pantry, ABIDE ministries in North Omaha, efforts to be AMAZING neighbors of Millard Central Middle School, and our work in Costa Rica are proof that God has a purpose and is guiding this church to reach others locally, regionally and internationally.



If you are interested in Missions, contact me at darren.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x 1012.



This Week At FaithWestwood...

Wed., 1/3 9 a.m.	UMW Monthly Meeting	Fellowship Hall
Wed., 1/3 1-3 p.m.	CareMATers	Student Ministry Large Room
Wed., 1/3 6-8 p.m.	Family Fun Center	Family Fun Center
Wed., 1/3 6:30-7:15 p.m.	Children's Choirs	Rooms 201, 207
Wed., 1/3 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Thurs., 1/4 6:30-8 p.m.	FaithSent Card Ministry	Caring Ministry Room

FaithWestwood mugs for sale!

Help FaithWestwood be more eco-friendly by purchasing a stainless steel mug with our logo on it for only \$13.

Stop by the coffee bar and check one out today!



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

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.

Stay CONNECTED

www.faithwestwood.com

PRAYER CHAIN: prayers@faithwestwood.com

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

LEAD PASTOR Steve Todd

4814 Oaks Lane x Omaha, NE 68137

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

PHONE 402-895-3394 x FAX 402-895-3393

Sermon Notes:

Next Sunday:

Flawed But Following

Jesus chooses mixed-bag disciples like you.

We're a mixed bag of motives, aren't we? Each of us is a swirl of weakness and willingness. We're a blend of bigotry and beauty. We're like the people Jesus picked to be in his inner circle of disciples. The Bible never portrays them as sinless saints. Each of them was seriously flawed. But they followed, and that made all the difference.

January 7, 2018 - Cynical But Searching

Ever find that your heart has become hardened? You resist. You push away. You'd rather stay stuck in cynicism and sarcasm than open up to change. You're just the person Jesus is looking for. He says, "Follow me."

December 31, 2017



I AM HAPPIEST WHEN LIFE CEASES TO BE ALL ABOUT ME
A GUIDE TO CARING FOR YOUR SOUL IN 2018

Relaxed Traditional - 9 a.m.

Prelude	"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"	Lois Nelson, piano; David Gerard, organ
Welcome	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	
Call to Worship	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	
Hymn	"Blessed Assurance"	#369
Children's Time	Leah Dinoso	
Greeting		
Blest Be the Tie	Donna Sandoval	
Opportunities	Donna Sandoval	
Offering	"There Is Peace"	Ensemble, David Gerard accompanist
Act of Praise	"He Is Lord"	#177
Offering Prayer		
The Apostle's Creed	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	
Hymn	"Are Ye Able"	#530
Prayer Opportunity	Vikki O'Hara	
Hymn	"Christ for the World We Sing"	#568
Scripture	Nayleigh Mossburgh	Philippians 2:5-8, Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 4:22-24
Message	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	<i>I Am Happiest When Life Ceases to Be All About Me</i>
Hymn	Lyrics on screen	"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"
Blessing		
Shalom		

Casual Contemporary 10:45 a.m.

Preservice Song	"All the People Said Amen"	
Welcome	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	
Worship in Song	"Open Up the Heavens" "This Is Amazing Grace"	
Children's Time	Leah Dinoso	
Opportunities	Donna Sandoval	
Offering	"Revelation"	
Song	"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"	
Prayer Opportunity	Vikki O'Hara	
Song	"I Believe in You"	
Scripture	Emma Barben	Philippians 2:5-8, Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 4:22-24
Message	Rev. Chuck Cornwell	<i>I Am Happiest When Life Ceases to Be All About Me</i>
Song	"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"	
Blessing		
Today's musicians:	Shane Campagna, electric guitar, vocals; Shane Goughnour, keys, vocals; Drew Havens, cello; Jeff Inman, drums, vocals; Liz Polivka, vocals; Max Reisinger, bass guitar, vocals.	

Today's Mission Offering - Costa Rica Team

Your offering in the mission envelope today will provide supplies and resources for the teams we send to Costa Rica.

December 24, 2017 mission offering - FaithWorks Pantry = \$1,381.84



Deep. Daring. Daily.