

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.



INVITATIONAL

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



MISSIONAL

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

Stay CONNECTED

www.faithwestwood.com

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

Brenda Bowers, Assistant to Pastor Steve Todd

I'm here to help you:

- Schedule appointments with Pastor Steve.
- With weddings - if you want to have a wedding here, I am your initial contact.
- If you need to put an item in the bulletin.



Contact me at brenda.bowers@faithwestwood.com/402-895-3394x1011.

Coming Up @ FaithWestwood...

Fingerprints

Putting Our Values on Everything We Touch

Your fingerprints are an expression of your uniqueness. At FaithWestwood, our uniqueness finds expression in five values. It's how we do life in Jesus. The more we know him, the more relational, practical, generational, missional, and invitational we become. Our aim is to put these prints on everything we touch!

Jan 10 - Called to Be Relational

Life is always personal. And that means it's relational. The first followers of Jesus became like family to one another, sharing their stuff, their meals, their lives. That's the way we want to be. By loving each other, even sometimes challenging each other, we bring out the best in each other.



Children's Director: Leah Dinoso
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Nursery & PreK - Who Can Do That?

Memory Verse: "With God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26, NIV
WEEK 1 - LUKE 5:1-7

Jesus helps Peter and his friends catch a lot of fish after they couldn't catch any.

WEEK 2 - MARK 6:31-44

Jesus performs a miracle and feeds over 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish.

WEEK 3 - MATTHEW 14:22-33

Jesus amazes the disciples when He walks on water.

WEEK 4 - MATTHEW 8:23-27

Jesus shows He has power over everything when He calms a storm just by speaking to it.

WEEK 5 - JOHN 2:1-11

Jesus performs a miracle and turns water into wine.

Elementary - Power UP

SELF-CONTROL

Choosing to do what you should do, not what you want to do

MEMORY VERSE

"A person without self-control is like a city whose walls are broken through."

Proverbs 25:28, NIV

WEEK 1: Power Source, Proverbs 25:28

BOTTOM LINE:

God can give you the POWER to control yourself.

WEEK 2: Press Pause, Proverbs 16:32

BOTTOM LINE:

PAUSE before you lose your temper.

WEEK 3: Select Mute, Proverbs 21:23

BOTTOM LINE:

SELECT your words carefully.

WEEK 4: Just Hit Stop, Proverbs 25:16

BOTTOM LINE:

Know when to STOP.

WEEK 5: Check the Guide, Proverbs 4:23

BOTTOM LINE:

Use God's words to GUIDE your thoughts.



Interim Student Ministry Director: Holly Timberlake
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Middle School Program Director: Anthony King
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Middle School Ministry (Grades 6-8) - Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm
@ FaithWestwood

High School Ministry (Grades 9-12) - Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm
@ FaithWestwood

We are currently on holiday break. Come and join us on Wednesday, January 6th!

Missions

FaithWorks Pantry

Donations of juice, oatmeal, and canned meat are needed. Donation bins are located outside of the church office.



Central Middle School Administrative Help – January 8

Central Middle School is looking for 3 volunteers that could help in the office on report card distribution day, Friday, January 8, from 9:30-11:30.

Supplies for Costa Rica Mission Trip - Ongoing

We will be collecting supplies for the Costa Rica Mission Trip from now until January 15, 2016. A collection box will be located outside the office.

- **Sewing & Craft Items** - Clothing Patterns, notions, knitting, crochet, embroidery supplies, fabric, sewing machines, fabric or glass acrylic paint, brushes.
- **Household Items** - Twin sheet sets and towels.
- **Children's Items** - Bible crafts, school supplies, and soccer balls.
- **Items for In-Country CFCI Missionaries & Office** - Digital Camera with Video Option like Canon EOS or 32" Monitor, Laptop Computer. If you are interested in donating any of these items please contact Dawn Stock before purchasing to ensure compatibility.

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

FaithWorks Pantry

The mission offering today will go to support our Faith Works Pantry.

Christmas Eve Offering - Helping Hands = \$3,814.46

Sunday, December 27 Offering - Helping Hands = \$523

Severe Weather Policy

Taking into consideration any Millard School closures, cancellation of Church activities due to severe weather conditions will be initiated and/or confirmed by the Senior Pastor and/or Director of Business Administration. In general, the Church will remain open, unless conditions present a safety concern for staff and/or groups scheduled to meet at the Church.

When the decision is made to close the church, an announcement will be placed on the church's phone system and on the church's homepage (www.faithwestwood.com). All scheduled daytime and evening events (meetings, small groups, bible studies, support groups, etc.) will be cancelled and the church office will be closed (unless staff is notified otherwise).

Please note the Child Development Center (CDC) has a separate policy with regard to severe weather. Generally, the CDC closes only when UNO closes.

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.

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.

Expecting a Baby?

Please let us know!

Please let our Blessed Beginnings ministry know as soon as you are pregnant! We have a gift for you to use throughout your pregnancy and want to be able to walk with you and pray for you, your family and your baby during your pregnancy! We also arrange for pastoral visitation when you are hospitalized and deliver your baby. To make the ministry team aware of your pregnancy, please contact Vikki O'Hara, M.Div., Congregational Care Director, at vikki.ohara@faithwestwood.com or 402-650-9489.

What's Happening

Baptism Orientation

Interested in baptism? Our next Baptism Orientation is on Wednesday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Register with Jen Stolp at jen.stolp@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x 1017.

United Methodist Women

The Unit meeting of the United Methodist Women will be held on January 6th, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a light breakfast, a short business meeting followed by the Installation of Officers, and then our Pledge Service. All women are invited to attend. We would love to increase our membership. If it is bad weather the meeting will be cancelled.

Traveling Tasters

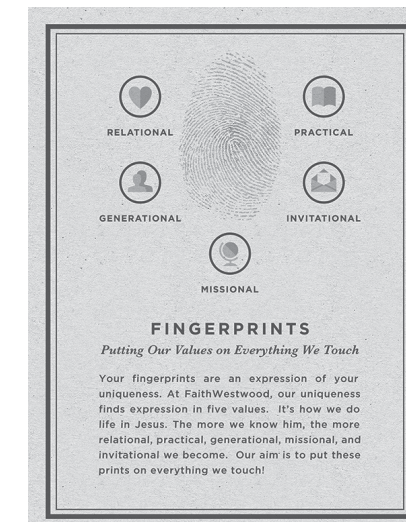
The Traveling Tasters will be going out on January 7th at 5:30 p.m. to the Millard Road House 13325 Millard Ave. This group is open to all adults, couples and singles. We go out the first Thursday of every month to a different restaurant. We would love to have you come and join us. Call Gaylene Adler if interested 402-895-3926

Susanna Circle

The United Methodist Women's Susanna Circle will be meeting on Jan. 20th at 10:30 am in the Prayer Room. We are still on the book "The Lord is My Shepard". Any women are welcome to join us. Call Gaylene Adler if you want more information. 402-895-3926

Interested in membership?

Contact Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x 1013.



JANUARY 3, 2016

Sunday - 9 am

PreludeLinda Dasovic, Lois Nelson

Welcome..... Rev. Chuck Cornwell

Hymn.....To God Be the Glory, #98

Children's Time..... Leah Dinoso

OpportunitiesBrenda Bowers

Offering..... "Come to the Feast"
Chancel Choir

Act of Praise.....Emmanuel, Emmanuel, #204

Offering Prayer Rev. Chuck Cornwell

Hymn..... Fairest Lord Jesus, #189

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42..... Gaylene Adler

Message Choosing Happiness
Rev. Chuck Cornwell

Prayer of Confession - The Great Thanksgiving - The Lord's Prayer

Communion.....Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me, #361
.....My Jesus, I Love Thee, #172
..... O How I Love Jesus, #170
..... I Love to Tell the Story, #156
..... I Sing the Almighty Power of God, #152

Blessing..... Rev. Chuck Cornwell

Shalom

