

# 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.

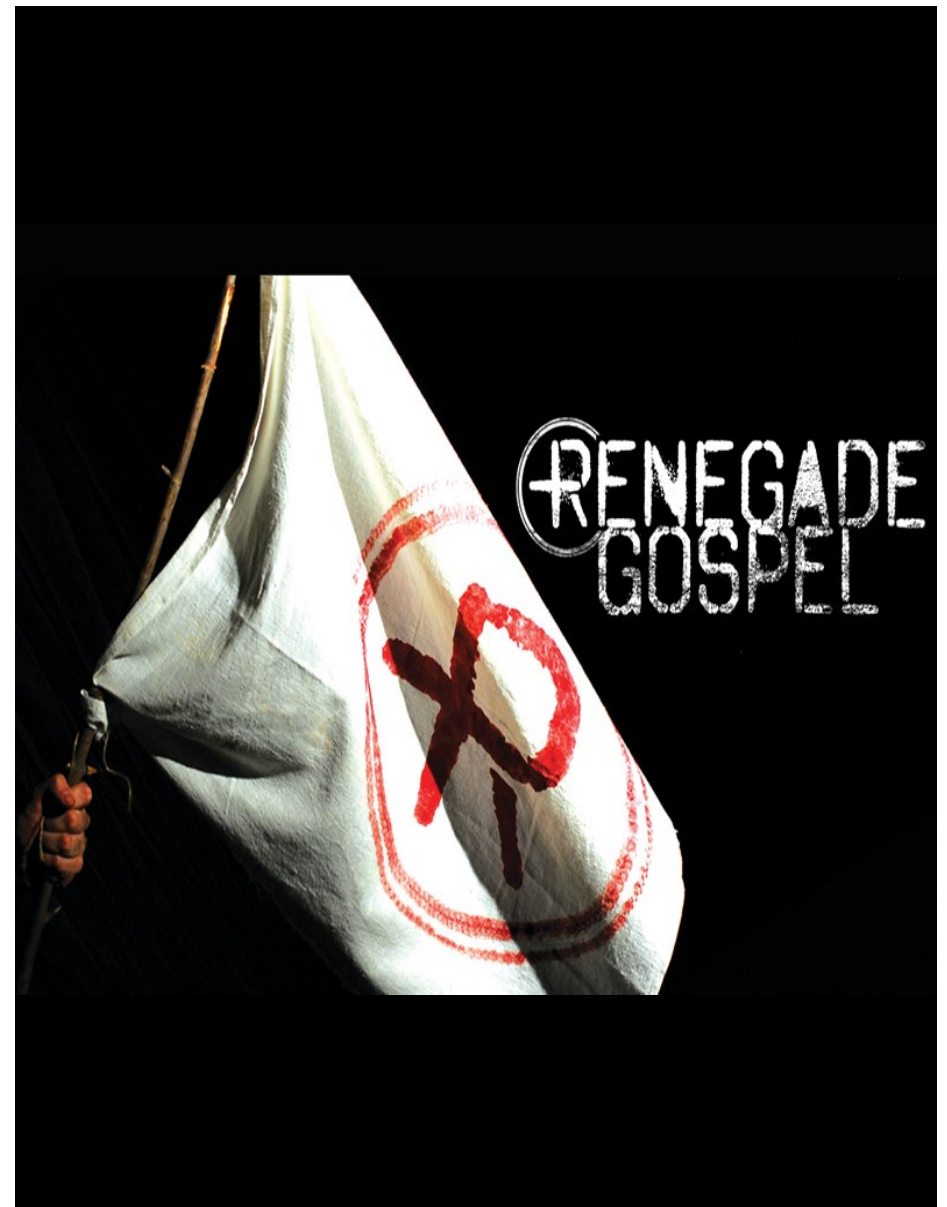
## Stay CONNECTED

[www.faithwestwood.com](http://www.faithwestwood.com)

**PRAYER CHAIN:** [prayers@faithwestwood.com](mailto:prayers@faithwestwood.com)  
**WORSHIP SERVICES:** Sundays @ 9 & 10:45 a.m.  
**LEAD PASTOR** Steve Todd, Lead Pastor

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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:

## 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.

# Coming Up @ FaithWestwood...

## February 28 - Revolutionary Lifestyle

There was a day when it was dangerous to follow Jesus. The movement thrived for three centuries as an illegal faith. Many accepted execution rather than deny him. We, on the other hand, have become accustomed to a version of Christianity that's so safe, civilized, and sanitized, Jesus may not even recognize it. But the truth is, it's still dangerous to follow Jesus. Once you commit to live like him and for him, your world will never be the same.



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## Annual Family Easter Egg Hunt & Play in the Park - Saturday, March 26th - 10:00 am

We are looking for donations of nut-free candy to fill the Easter eggs & bags we give out to all of the children! Donated candy can be left at the Children's Ministry check in table on Sundays or in the office during the week. Thank you!

**SAVE THE DATE:** Cave Quest Vacation Bible School June 19-23

## Lent Our Way - Week 2

Today we talked about 4 names of Jesus:

Son of God....sent to live among us because God loved the world so much

Son of Man....remind his followers that he was fully human. He felt pain and hunger like we do

Servant to All....Didn't come to be served, but to serve.

Savior to the World... He came to set us free and show us a better way to live.

Of the four descriptions of Jesus, which one is your favorite? What is it that you like about that description of Jesus?

Bible Verse: "I know who you are. You are the holy one from God." Mark 1:24b



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Middle School Program Director: Anthony King  
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Each week we pray a scripture for our students. You're invited to join us in this prayer. This Week's Scripture  
May \_\_\_\_\_ put his/her hope and trust in Jesus Christ who is the same yesterday and today and forever. From Hebrews 13:8

Middle School and High School students - join us on Wednesday evenings for Student Ministry. We begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center (Gym), we have chapel, and small groups and conclude at 8:30 p.m.

## Missions

### Faith Works Pantry

Savvy Shopper Update - We had a group of women that shopped the ads last week and found eggs on sale for .99 a dozen. They donated 54 dozen. Thanks!



### On Sale This Week...

Bakers has a great price on Tuna, Cereal, Pasta, and Hamburger Helper. Hy-Vee has diced tomatoes, mandarin oranges, and Hy-Vee Pasta sauce w/ meat.

Donations of food are a great way to help off set the costs of the pantry.

### TeamMates Info & Training

We are hosting a Training and Information Session for the TeamMates mentoring program on Tuesday, February 23, from 6:30-8:30, in Fellowship Hall.

TeamMates is a school based mentoring program started by Dr. Tom and Nancy Osborne. Mentors are needed to meet weekly with students in grades 3-12.

### Costa Rica Mission Trip - Reschedule

We are working to reschedule the trip to Costa Rica for a mission team yet this Spring. The new dates are April 23 - May 1. If you are interested in joining the team we have a few openings. Please contact Dawn Stock by February 23.

### 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 - Carlos Mestayer

The mission offering today will go to support our Missionary Partner Carlos Mestayer in Costa Rica.

**February 14 Mission Offering - Omaha Street School = \$990.96**

### Next Session of GriefShare begins February 23rd

GriefShare is a national program which offers comfort and hope for people grieving the death of someone close—whether that loss was recent or well in the past. Each GriefShare session includes a video seminar and group discussion. A workbook assists you with note-taking, journaling and grief study. The videos feature more than 40 top experts on grief recovery, specific topics on living with grief, and real-life stories of people who have experienced losses similar to yours and mine. During the small group discussion time, you'll have an opportunity to interact with others who have experienced a loss, learn about their experiences, and, if you wish, share your own.

The 13-week GriefShare program meets on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 PM in the Conference Room on the upper level (enter at the back of the church.) To sign up for the next session, starting Tuesday, February 23rd, please call Vikki O'Hara, M.Div., Congregational Care Director, at 402-650-9489 (cell) or email: vikki.ohara@faithwestwood.com if you have any questions or concerns.

### 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.

### Property Tax Reduction

Real Estate Property Tax Reduction may be available for people over 65 years old with incomes (reduced by unreimbursed medical expenses) less than \$40,300 (\$47,800 for couples) and disabled people with incomes (reduced by unreimbursed medical expenses) less than \$43,700 (\$51,000 for couples). For more information, call VAS at (402)444-6617 or visit www.vas-nebraska.com or call FaithWestwood member Barb Strominger at (402)489-7641. Deadline for applying for this Homestead Exemption is June 30th.

### 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.

## What's Happening

### The FaithWalk Experience

At FaithWestwood we talk about becoming deep, daring, and daily disciples. You may be wondering what does that mean and how would you get started. We invite you to join Pastor Steve for The FaithWalk Experience. We believe God has big things in store for us. And in order for us to become the strong mission-focused church God wants us to be, we are asking as many people as possible to take The FaithWalk Experience. Register with Holly Timberlake at holly.timberlake@faithwestwood.com or 402-895-3394 x1013.

### March 4-6 - Weekend Schedule

Friday: 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 12:15 p.m. -2:30 p.m.

### United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women Unit meeting will held on March 2nd. at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a light breakfast and a program, Prayer & Self Denial & Northstar by Becky Garlock. We will have a short business meeting after the program. All women are invited to attend the meetings.

### United Methodist Women Annual Spring Luncheon

Mark your calendars for our Annual Spring Salad Luncheon which will be on April 27th at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$8:00. The program this year will be sponsored by the Humanities of Nebraska and will be on "Promise in a New Land" Nebraska Homesteading, given by Cherrie Bean-Callaway.

The program is free of charge so if you can't make it to the Salad Luncheon you can come for the program which should start at 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Tickets for the lunch will go on sale in April.

### Traveling Tasters

The Traveling Tasters will be going out on Thursday, March 3rd to Cheddar's at 12152 L St at 5:00 pm. Try to be there by 5 or soon after. When you have a big group you have to go early. Judy Turner is going to be there before 5 to get us some tables. Call Judy to let her know you are coming 402-895-4127.

### Interested in membership?

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

FEBRUARY 21, 2016

## Sunday - 9 am

Prelude .....Handbell Choir  
Gary Addison, director

Welcome.....Pastor Steve Todd

Call to Worship .....Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn..... Jesu, Jesu, #432

Acolyte Commission .....Leah Dinoso

Children's Time.....Pastor Steve Todd

Greeting - Blest Be the Tie .....Brenda Bowers

Opportunities .....Brenda Bowers

Offering.....Handbell Choir

Act of Praise..... Holy, Holy, Holy, #64

Offering Prayer - The Lord's Prayer .....Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn.....Are Ye Able, #530

Prayer Opportunity ..... Vikki O'Hara

Hymn.....Precious Lord, Take My Hand, #474

Scripture: John 2:13-17..... Terry Lammert

Message .....Discovering the Rebel Jesus  
Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn (as time allows)..... Jesús Es Mi Rey Soberano  
(O Jesus, My King and My Sovereign), #180

Blessing.....Pastor Steve Todd

Shalom

FEBRUARY 21, 2016

**Sunday - 10:45 am**

Welcome.....Pastor Steve Todd

Song .....“Psalm 100”

Children’s Time.....Pastor Steve Todd

Worship in Song .....“Awesome Is the Lord Most High”  
   “Blessed Be Your Name”  
   “Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”

Opportunities .....Brenda Bowers

Offering.....“Revelation”

Prayer Opportunity .....Vikki O’Hara

Scripture: John 2:13-17..... Maddie Serefko

Message ..... Discovering the Rebel Jesus  
   Pastor Steve Todd

Song (as time allows).....“I Believe in You”

Blessing.....Pastor Steve Todd

This morning’s musicians: Jill Anderson, keys; Nate Beran, vocals; Sydney Beran, vocals; Shane Campagna, electric guitar, vocals; Drew Havens, cello; Jeff Inman, vocals; Jeff Kolega, drums; Logan Mears, percussion, saxophone, vocals; Max Reisinger, bass guitar, vocals; Donna Sandoval, worship director.

Sermon Notes

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SERMONS ON CD! Today’s message will be available on CD at the information desk next Sunday. Or, if you want to hear it sooner, you can watch it online after Tuesday.

Want to watch more messages or get another copy of the bulletin? You can find them online, at [www.faithwestwood.com](http://www.faithwestwood.com).