

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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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:

Randy King, Hospitality Director

I'm here to...

- Extend a welcome to our members and guests
- Help you make a connection through Hospitality service



Contact me at 402-895-3394 x1017 or randy.king@faithwestwood.com

Coming Up @ FaithWestwood...

March 20 - The Way of the Cross

Jesus set out for Jerusalem, knowing the authorities would collaborate to crucify him. That's why he wasn't interested in followers who were merely fond of his clever stories. Allegiance to Jesus would require a price. A disciple had to go all out and be all in. Anything less is not the way of the cross.

Holy Week Services:

Thursday, March 24 - Maunday Thursday Service, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 25 - Good Friday Service, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 27 - Easter Services, 9 & 10:45 a.m.



Children's Director: Leah Dinoso
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SAVE THE DATE: Cave Quest Vacation Bible School June 19-23

We encounter Jesus in our interactions with those in need.

Family Project:

*Divide a piece of paper into 3 columns.

*Think about what you know about Jesus-about his life, his ministry, and his teachings. In the middle column of your paper, write down as many words as you can think of to describe Jesus.

* Looking at the list of words that describe Jesus, think about people you know who are also described by these words. In the third column, write a person's name who is also described by that word in the middle column.

*Now in the first column, make a check mark next to any words in the middle column that describe you.

Anytime you act like Jesus, you are showing Jesus to other people.

Prayer: God, thank you for sending Jesus. Help us to search for Jesus today so that we may continue to learn about how you want us to live. Help us to show Jesus to others. Amen.



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Middle School Program Director: Anthony King
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Middle School and High School students

Wednesday 6:30-8:30p (begin in gym)

No student ministry this Wednesday because of spring break. We will see you on Wednesday March 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center (Gym)

Each week we pray a scripture for our students. You're invited to join us in this prayer.

Scripture: Make known to _____the path of life; fill _____with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand. From Psalm 16:11

Missions

Faith Works Pantry

In February our FaithWorks Pantry served 62 families, which is 184 people.



The response of our Grocery Sale shoppers has been tremendous. Thank you for all of the extra sale items you have picked up! This week on sale...

Fareway - Canned tuna \$.68

Bakers - Kroger Canned Tomatoes or Beans 2 for \$1.00

UMCOR Health Kit Assembly - April 13 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)

Save the Date - On Wednesday, APRIL 13, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the lower foyer, we will be assembling Health Kits to help restock the supply for UMCOR.

Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster. Health kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition, and cooking.

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

The Mission Offering for today is for our FaithWorks Food Pantry. The Pantry is located in the old parsonage and is open 2 times each month on the 3rd Wednesday and 4th Saturday. We also provide a Thanksgiving Meal Bag to over 200 families each November.

March 6 Mission Offering - One Great Hour of Sharing = \$892

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.

Interested in membership?

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

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

Annual Family Easter Egg Hunt & Play in the Park

Saturday, March 26th, 10 a.m.

We are looking for donations of **individually wrapped, 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!

Amazing Grays

AMAZING GRAYS will meet on Tuesday, March 15 at 12:00 noon. Reservations for lunch should be made by Monday, March 14 by either signing the attendance card on Sunday morning or calling Howard and Carolyn Rhoten at 402-895-3530. Maurice Jackson will present a program on the Prison Ministry.

WHAT IS AMAZING GRAYS?

Amazing Grays is a group open to anyone age 55 and older, single or married. We meet the third Tuesday of the month (excluding June, July and August) in Fellowship Hall. We begin with lunch at 12:00 p.m. Meals cost \$3 - \$5. Please call ahead for a reservation each month.

Lunch is followed by a program, usually presented by someone from the local community. In September we take a one day bus trip that is arranged through Hall Tours in Lincoln to points of interest. We have a lot of fun, and are always looking for new people to join us!

Ready to say good-bye to that winter coat?

Bring your gently used or out-grown coats, jackets, rain coats or hoodies to Worship on Palm Sunday, March 20th. Help the children relive the way Jesus entered Jerusalem, with people placing their coats on the ground before him as a sign of respect. After our Palm Sunday procession we will be donating these coats and jackets to several of our FaithWestwood Mission Partners.

Family Easter Celebration on Sunday, March 27th

9:00 & 10:45 services

We love to see families worship together and we will be celebrating our Risen Savior on Easter morning with our families. There will be Nursery available to children under 3 and there will be NO Sunday School on Easter morning!

Susanna Circle

The United Methodist Women Susanna Circle will meet on March 16th at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. We will be starting a new book, so now is a great time to join! For information, call Gaylene Adler at 402-895-3926.

MARCH 13, 2016

Sunday - 9 am

PreludeAmy Kragnes

Welcome.....Pastor Steve Todd

Call to WorshipPastor Steve Todd

Hymn.....Open My Eyes, #454

Cherubs....."Who Am I"

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

Greeting - Blest Be the TieDonna Sandoval

OpportunitiesDonna Sandoval

Offering....."Gospel Praise Medley"
Cherubs, Jill Anderson, director

Act of Praise..... There's Something About That Name, #171

Offering Prayer - The Lord's PrayerPastor Steve Todd

Hymn..... Nothing Between My Soul and My Savior, #373

Prayer Opportunity Vikki O'Hara

Hymn.....Let It Breathe on Me, #503

Scripture: Matthew 7:7-8; Luke 22:39-46..... Katherine Kirby

Message Seeing Jesus Today
Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn (as time allows)..... Seek Ye First, #405

Blessing.....Pastor Steve Todd

Shalom

