

# 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.

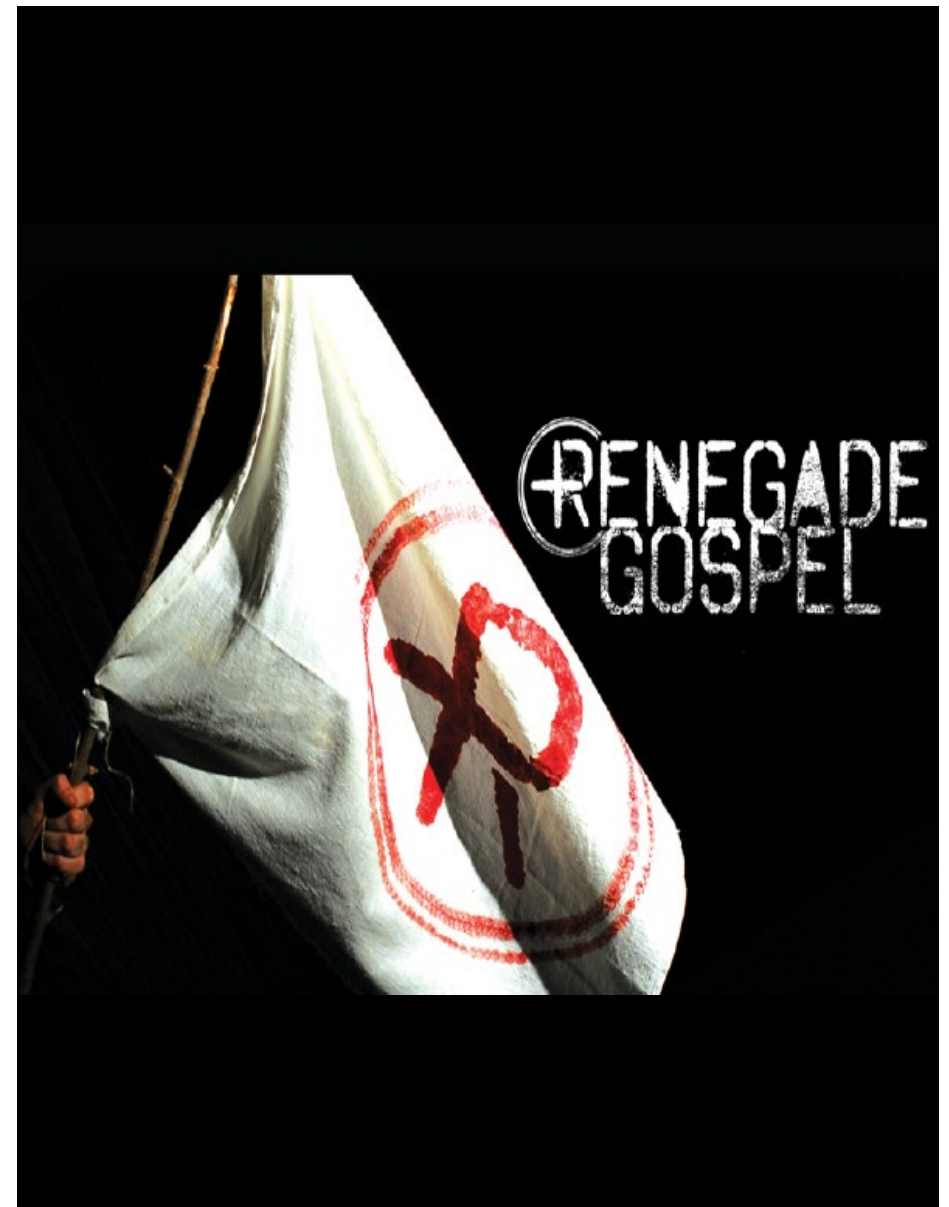
## Stay CONNECTED

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

**PRAYER CHAIN:** [prayers@faithwestwood.com](mailto:prayers@faithwestwood.com)  
**WORSHIP SERVICES:** Sundays @ 9 & 10:45 a.m.  
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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:

### Holly Timberlake, Small Groups/Interim Student Ministry Director

I'm here to help you...

- Take your next step of faith into an adult FaithWalk Group.
- Take your next step of faith into membership.
- Take your next step of faith into confirmation.
- Take your next step of faith in Middle School ministry.
- Take your next step of faith in High School ministry.



Contact me at 402-895-3394x1013  
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## Coming Up @ FaithWestwood...

### April 3 - When We Get Real, Everybody Wins

- Why would you make an appointment with the doctor and then try to hide your symptoms?
- Who would take their car to the mechanic and not mention how it dies every time the car comes to a stop?
- What good does it do to visit a counselor and say nothing's wrong?

The answers are you wouldn't, no one, and none. So why do Christians get together and pretend everything's fine? God's healing for our souls can only begin when we get real about our faults and failures, our sins and struggles.



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

**All 5th grade students are invited to join Student Ministry in April every Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm.**

### The resurrection of Jesus changed everything.

If we are committed to following Jesus, the Resurrection will change us, too. Resurrection faith leads to action. We want to become doers of the word and not just hearers.

As a family, look at the list of actions below and talk about if that action is something that a follower of Jesus would do or not do. You can use a thumbs up or thumbs down too.

- \*Pray
- \*Say hurtful words to someone.
- \*Tell someone about Jesus.
- \*Worship
- \*Ignore someone who is crying.
- \*Volunteer at a food pantry.
- \*Say mean things about people when they aren't around.
- \*Share

**Prayer: God, thank you for raising Jesus from the dead. We want to follow Jesus. Help us find ways to put our faith into action. Amen.**



Interim Student Ministry Director: Holly Timberlake  
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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)

#### Farewell to Anthony!

On Wednesday, March 30th, we will have a farewell for Anthony. We invite anyone who wants to join us in saying good bye to attend at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center (Gym). We will serve sandwiches, chips, and dessert (\$5 suggested donation)

#### Please pray for our students!

Scripture: May \_\_\_\_\_ love You, the Lord our God, with all his/her heart and with all his/her soul and with all his/her mind and with all his/her strength. From Mark 12:30

## Missions

### Faith Works Pantry

The FaithWorks Pantry is open the 3rd Wednesday from 5-7 pm and 4th Saturday of the month from 10-noon, located in the old parsonage south of the main building. We offer a Thanksgiving Meal Give-Away each November.

- Savvy Sale Shoppers help fill the shelves with weekly deals.
- Green Thumbs plant extra seeds to donate fresh produce in the summer.
- Our mission offering is designated once a month for the Pantry.



### Central Middle School

We are pleased to partner with Central Middle School our neighbor to the West.

Currently, the office staff at Central Middle school is in need of help getting report cards ready on Wednesday, April 13, from 9:00-11:00 am.

### Costa Rica Mission Trip

We will be sending a team of 8 to Costa Rica, April 23-May 1, 2016. We partner with Christ for the City International and work at a children's school and with a ladies sewing ministry.

### Family Serve Night

We are pleased to team up with Children's and Student Ministries for our Family Serve Night on Wednesday, April 13, 6:30-8:30. A variety of opportunities will be available for families to serve side by side.

### Donation Collection Boxes

We have a large wooden collection box on first floor for Pantry Items. On top of this there are collection boxes for used eyeglasses and pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

### 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 – Helping Hands Fund

The mission today will go towards our helping hands fund, which allows us money to help those within our church that find themselves in need.

**March 13 Mission Offering - Jay & Susan Mundy = \$1,234.00**

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

## What's Happening



### Everybody Wins

- The law of the jungle is to eat or be eaten.
- The law of nature is that only the adaptable survive.
- The law of economics is that the rich get richer and the poor get poorer.

But Jesus didn't come to bring a law.

He came bringing good news for all people.

Saying yes to him creates a win-win situation – for you and everybody around you.

FaithWestwood is one of 35 Metro churches reaching out to our city with the "Everybody Wins" series in April. Check it out at EverybodyWins.net.

### Interested in membership?

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

### Markers Available

If you missed last week you may have noticed cars around the metro area with the word "EverybodyWins.net" written on their rear windshield. It's not too late to mark your car! Just stop by the information table today to get your marker and write "EverybodyWins.net" on your rear windshield. We have a limited supply of markers, available on a first come, first served basis.

### 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.

MARCH 27, 2016

## Sunday - 9 am

Prelude ..... Linda Dasovic, piano; Lois Nelson, organ

Welcome.....Pastor Steve Todd

Hymn.....Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, #302

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

Opportunities .....Brenda Bowers

Offering..... "To Calvary"  
Chancel Choir, Jill Anderson, director, Drew Havens, cello

Worship in Song ..... Chancel Choir  
..... "Glorious, Risen Christ"  
..... "Rise Up, Easter Morning"  
..... "I Will Rise"

Scripture: Luke 24:36-48; Acts 17:1-7.....Gary Jones

Message .....Risen Rebel King  
Pastor Steve Todd

Communion.....The Day of Resurrection, #303  
.....Up from the Grave, #322  
.....Crown Him with Many Crowns, #327  
.....Lord of the Dance, #261  
.....I Stand Amazed in the Presence, #371  
..... Because He Lives, #364

Blessing.....Pastor Steve Todd

Shalom

