

CONNECTING WITH THE WORLD

Westgate Elementary



Back to School!

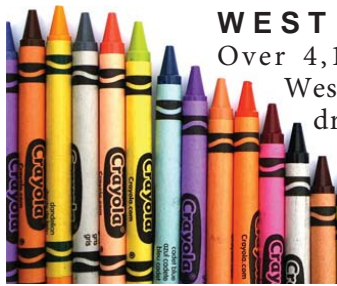
VOLUNTEER IN: classrooms, media center, reading assistant, or general duties.



WESTGATE SCHOOL: Looking for a few good people to join our partner in raising up the next generation. Volunteer sheets are available near the west doors. Please stop by and sign up to volunteer in the media center, reading assistant or general school volunteer. You will enjoy feeling like a kid again!

WEST HILLS YOU DID IT AGAIN!

Over 4,138 items were collected and delivered to Westgate School for our annual "Back to School" supply drive. Thank you so much. Watch the September Newsletter, for a full list of what was collected.



WALK THE SKINNER EAST NEIGHBORHOOD-SEPTEMBER 7 - 10 AM.

Volunteers needed to walk the neighborhood to:

-deliver flyers announcing the picnic-September 14

-pick up trash along your way

-pray with our neighbors

Park in the Skinner East school parking lot, 4304 N. 33rd St., and just walk to the neighborhood. Need a ride? We'll provide! Sign up by the west doors, TODAY!



IT'S TIME FOR A PICNIC!

Skinner East neighborhood only Picnic, September 14, at 12 p.m. Park in the Skinner Magnet School parking lot, 4304 N. 33rd St. and walk to 3204 Taylor St.

We are asking for your help to provide sides for lunch.

Please drop off your food items in the church kitchen by Sept. 13. Mark items "Skinner East" and place in the frig

or on the counter. Want to attend but need a ride? All sign up opportunities are by the west doors, TODAY!

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ARE YOU NEW? NEWER? _____

WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE YOU WORSHIPPING WITH US!

Are you a visitor or wishing to learn more about West Hills? Please fill out the "Friendship Pad" in your pew so that we may become better acquainted. Visitors are invited to the **Welcome Center** in Geneva Lounge to pick up a West Hills Visitors Bag. We hope that you will join us in worship again soon!

THIS WEEK _____

- SUN 8-25** Nursery: TODAY - 10:00a service infants to 5 yrs.
NO - Children's Crosswalk or Youth Sunday School
NO - Discipleship Class
Journey of Caregiving Celebration: after 10 a.m. service
- MON 8-26** AA Group: 8p
- TUE 8-27** Men's Bible Study: 6:30a
Arts For All: classes 5, 6, & 7 p.m. (see their website)
- WED 8-28** Wednesday Night Youth Group: 6:30p
Worship Team: 6:30p
- THU 8-29** Al-Anon: 12p
- FRI 8-30** Al-Anon: 7p
AA Group: newcomers 7:30p/regular group 8p
- SAT 8-31**
- SUN 9-01** **Sunday Services: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**
Nursery: 9:00a service infants to 3 yrs. & 10:30a service infants to 5 yrs.
NO - Children's Crosswalk or Youth Sunday School
Discipleship Class: 10:30a chapel

TODAY'S MUSIC IN WORSHIP: I took the liberty of selecting the music for worship today for specific reasons. "A Mighty Fortress" was my class hymn when I graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary. I believe "In Christ Alone" is one of the best modern hymns that has been written. The hymn after the sermon, "Mighty God" was written by me a few years ago. There is more information about it in the insert. The song for the offertory, "When It's All Been Said and Done" is my question and prayer for my life. Finally, I asked our organist, Kathy Leach, to play "Widor's Toccata" simply because I like it so much. -Deena Candler

Preaching: Deena Candler
Assisting: Beth Anderson
Sound: Matt Huck
Media: Steve Burgess

Music: Al Anderson, Kaitlin Bates, Steve Dostal, Brian Eichhorn, Kevin Gibson, Kathy Leach, Jane Loeck, William Scheopner, Sarah Weller

ATTENDANCE	9:00	10:30	TOTAL
8-18-2019	183	111	294
8-11-2019	140	87	227

Check out the **NEW WEST HILLS CHURCH** Website!

www.whcomaha.org

DID YOU KNOW? You can read "The Window" newsletter, weekly bulletins, and listen to a past sermon ALL on our website, www.whcomaha.org.

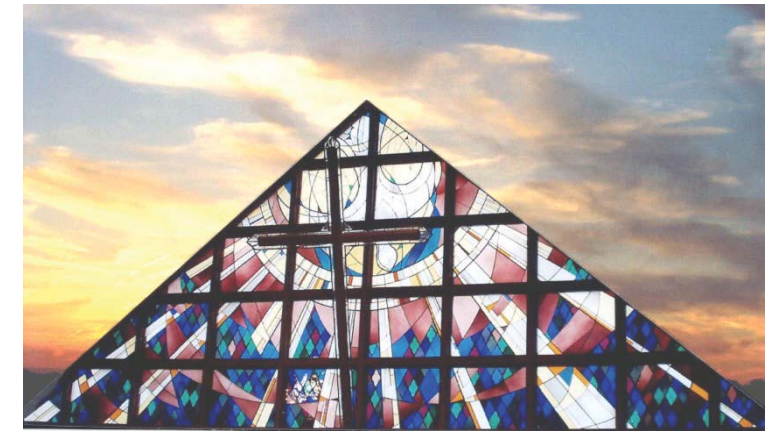
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On a journey with the living Christ; connecting with God, others, and the world.

August 25, 2019



Worship Celebration

Christians We Have Met To Worship

Blessed Be The Name

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Announcements

Preparing to Encounter God's Word

Widor's Toccata - Kathy Leach

Call to Worship

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Prayer of Confession

The Good News of God's Forgiveness

In Christ Alone

Encountering God's Word

Scripture: Philippians 1:1-11 (page 818)

"An Epistle to West Hills Church"

Mighty God, Creator, Father

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Responding to God's Word

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

When It's All Been Said And Done

Pastoral Blessing

I'll Fly Away

CONNECTING WITH GOD

JOURNEY OF CAREGIVING - CELEBRATE DEENA CANDLER, PASTOR



For the last twenty-two years, West Hills has been incredibly blessed by the ministry of Pastor Deena Candler. She has served, loved, and led this congregation. As Deena now prepares to retire, God will continue to travel with her and us, but at this crossroads, we want to celebrate Deena and her ministry which can be described as a "Journey of Caregiving."

Join us after the worship service for a special meal and program. Thanks be to God for the gift of Deena - our Pastor and friend.

CONNECTING WITH OTHERS

NURSERY & CHILDREN

NO CROSSWALK ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND: Join us for a Back-to-School celebration on Friday, September 6, and the fall Crosswalk kick-off on September 8!

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE CHALLENGE Calling all West Hills families to memorize the Books of the Bible in order! Get your name on the Wall of Fame! Sign-up on the West Hills Facebook event or at the Children's check-in area.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

NO YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND. Join us for a Back-to-School celebration on Friday, September 6, and the fall kick-off of Youth Sunday School on September 8!

ALL CHURCH

WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME Pastor Andy Hamer, his wife, Theresa, and daughters, Kathleen and Caroline, to West Hills on Sunday, September 8. There will be a basket in Geneva Lounge on September 1, and 8, for your cards welcoming the family. We do hope that you plan to join us as we continue on our *journey together with the living Christ!*

NEIGHBORHOOD CELEBRATION! Help serve up an evening of fun for the neighborhood at the **Back-to-School Bash** on September 6! For all families of Westgate, West Hills, and beyond! Run a simple, old-fashioned carnival booth or game, or help with food. We have many to choose from, and we welcome your ideas, too! Contact Jessica Scheopner jessica@whcomaha.org (402-391-8662 x1015) with questions or to sign up to share your time and talents.

WE WANT YOU to invite someone to come for an evening of good, old-fashioned fun in the neighborhood at the **Back-to-School Bash** on September 6! We are hoping to bless the families of Westgate, West Hills, and beyond, and we'd love your help in inviting your neighbors, family, coworkers, and friends to come have some fun together with us! Information is on the website www.whcomaha.org or you can pick up postcard invitations at the kiosk in the Geneva Lounge.

PRISON MINISTRY WORSHIP NIGHT-SEPTEMBER 8 AT 6:00 P.M. Join us in fellowship with Crossroads Connection, a prison and re-entry ministry. West Hills hosts a worship night for men who are incarcerated at the Work Release Center and their families. A meal follows the service. West Hills provides the main dish of fried chicken and we're asking our congregation to supply the sides and desserts. People are needed to host and serve the meal, please arrive at 5:30 p.m. All events take place at Underwood Presbyterian Church. A sign-up sheet for hosting and providing food is near the west entrance. Kevin Gibson and his team will be leading the worship. Our last event was a great night of fellowship. Please consider joining us!



FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY! Do you have a love of baking or wish to serve in our Coffee Bar? We are looking for volunteers for one Sunday a month, Sept. - Nov. Sign up in Geneva Lounge or contact Peggy Kelley at 402-290-4724.

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YOU'RE INVITED TO A "CELEBRATION" on Friday, September 13, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.! "Celebrations" host four events a year and this month we will recognize birthdays for the months of September, October & November. We are happy to have back Pam Kragt to entertain us. Cost is just \$10 per person for a roast beef lunch and entertainment! Sign-up today in Geneva Lounge or online at www.whcomaha.org

Tim and Sarah Weller are hosting a backyard ice cream social for **West Hills families with children** on Sunday, September 15, 10422 Hascall St., 6 to 8 p.m. It's an open house, so stop by for a sweet treat and some fellowship.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Begins September 5, 9:30 a.m., in the chapel. We will study the book of Genesis. All women are welcome to join us.

WESTGATE ASSISTED LIVING BIBLE STUDY! We are starting a new series, August 19, 10-11 a.m., Dr. David Jeremiah's twelve part program, **Slaying the Giants in Your Life.** We welcome ALL! Men and women of all denominations. Join us Mondays at 3030 S 80th St.

Chancel flowers are provided today by Kathy Kerkhove in memory of her husband, Al Kerkhove.

Rod and Martha Hansen will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, August 29. You are invited to send them cards at 6456 William St., Omaha, NE 68106.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER REQUEST? Please use the YELLOW prayer cards in the pew racks. Place your request in the offering plate.

Hospitalized/Rehab: Cleo Snyder-Hillcrest Rehab, Bellevue, and Don Glasgow-Nebraska Medicine.

Deaths: Prayers for Kevin Gibson and family on the loss of his mother, Ida Gibson Tinsley.

A **Stephen Minister** is available in the Quiet Room after the service for private prayer. Need to contact a Stephen Minister during the week? Pick up a brochure in any of the wall racks for a list of names.

Encouragement Cards and the drop box are located at the Caregiving Table by the north doors. Send a word of encouragement to someone this week!

Prayer Chain: Shirley Nelson; 402-391-8370 or shurnelson@gmail.com
Carolyn Collins; 402-331-7481 or carolyn4nu@aol.com

This Week's Prayer Focus...

- Congregation:** Please pray for Paul and Linda Springsted, their daughter Kelley Deases and her son Thomas Cellili. Thomas and wife Shelby had a baby girl (Nora) on August 13, who has been having seizures. They are getting good medical care and were able to take her home Tuesday. Prayers for continued healing.
- Leadership:** Kevin Gibson, Director of Worship and Music: Prayers for Kevin and his family on the loss of his mother, Ida.
- Mission Partner:** Rev. Rafael Yuquielma, Ecuador