

ALL CHURCH

PLANNING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER!



As we begin to do the ground work for selecting a new pastor, we are inviting you to complete the Church Assessment Tool (CAT). This online instrument will help leaders gauge the strength, vitality, and trends in our church. The information gained from this assessment will be valuable in helping our leaders as decisions are made about the future of West Hills Church.

The week of April 1, you will receive an email with a unique link to the CAT. We are asking you to go online by clicking the link provided and tell us about your experiences in and priorities for our church. Please do not discuss the survey or your answers with others as this may influence their answers.

If you need a paper copy, or if you do not have access to a computer at home, paper copies and computers will be available at West Hills starting April 15.

All answers are strictly anonymous. We have no way of matching any assessment to a particular person, so please feel free to candidly share your perceptions, opinions and experiences. Our future together is dependent on your participation and honest answers.

If you have questions about the CAT, please contact Session: session@whcomaha.org. If you would like to provide the church office with an email address, please contact the church at 402-391-8662 x1006.

NEW DIRECTORY - COMING SOON!

STOP and **CHECK** your information **TODAY!**

If you have not updated your information for the NEW Directory, please stop and talk with an assistant.



CONNECTING WITH THE WORLD



BIBLES FOR HAITI – In celebration of 410 Day (April 10) and our partnership with The 410 Bridge, we are sponsoring bibles for families in our partner community of Malierette, Haiti. **Purchase a bible in Geneva Lounge April 8, for \$12.**

RETHINKING WORK CONFERENCE: ReThinking Work is a two-day conference that will gather men and women from across Omaha to facilitate a paradigm shift. Through plenary talks, panels of local and national practitioners, practical workshops, and round table coaching sessions, ReThinking Work will challenge us to rethink what work is and what our faith has to do with it. **April 13 & 14 at Waypoint Church.** Visit www.rethinkingworkomaha.org for more info. and to register.

WESTGATE SCHOOL CARNIVAL: We've been invited to help the Westgate School Community Club (PTA) sponsor a fun carnival for the children in our neighborhood! Help needed with set-up, simple games, activities, and clean-up. A fun way to bless our neighbors. Friday, April 27, 6-8 p.m. Sign-up in Geneva Lounge, April 8.

BICYCLE MAINTENANCE SKILLS? We hope to host a bicycle tune-up event at Westgate School **Tuesday, May 1, 3:30 p.m.** If you can help with oiling chains, filling tires, simple repairs, etc., please contact Tom Pittack, tpittack@gmail.com or 402-880-4987.



YOUTH FOR CHRIST LUNCH AND LEARN: You are invited to learn more about Omaha Youth for Christ, a ministry to young people in our city. West Hills partners with YFC in the Westside area, including at Westgate School! Register online at <https://goyfc.regfox.com/lunch-learns>

ARE YOU NEW? NEWER?

GLAD YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Are you visiting West Hills for the first time? Maybe you have been coming for a few Sundays but haven't connected yet. Please fill out the "Friendship Pad" in your pew so we can share a little more about West Hills Church with you.

THIS WEEK

- SUN 4-01** **EASTER Services: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**
Nursery: infants-4 yrs. - 9:00 a.m. & infants-3 yrs. - 10:30 a.m. service
NO Children's Sunday School or Middle School Classes TODAY
Familia De Dios (FDD) Service: 2p
- MON 4-02** Newsletter Writing Team: 11:30 a
BSF: 6:25p
Worship Team Rehearsal: 6p
AA Group: 8p
- TUE 4-03** Men's Bible Study: 6:30a (open)
Arts For All: classes 5, 6, & 7 p.m.
InGathering: snacks/6:30p & meeting/7p
- WED 4-04** Women's Bible Study: 9:15a
WNC dinner: 5:30p-6:15p
Connection Groups: 6p & 6:30p
Choir: 6:30p
Next Gen Praise Band Rehearsal: 8p
- THU 4-05** Women's Bible Study: 9:15a
Women's Leadership Team: 12p
Al-Anon: 12p
CRC meeting: 7p
Capernaum: 7p
- FRI 4-06** AA Bible Study: 6p
Al-Anon: 7p
AA Group: 7:30p
- SAT 4-07** Arabic Christian Fellowship: 5:30 p.m.
- SUN 4-08** Nursery: infants-4 yrs. - 9:00 a.m. & infants-3 yrs. - 10:30 a.m. service
Children's Sunday School: check-in 10:15 a.m. (LL) 4 yrs.-5th grade
Middle School Sunday School: 6th-8th grade - 10:30a
Familia De Dios (FDD) Service: 2p
Next Gen Worship: 7p (jr. & sr high and college)

UPCOMING MESSAGES Hope in a World That's Not Our Home

April 8		Tom Backer
April 15	Confirmation	Michael Johnson
April 22	1 Peter 1:1-12	"A New Hope"
April 29	1 Peter 2:1-10	"Chosen"
May 6	1 Peter 3:8-18	"Living as Foreigners"
May 13	1 Peter 4:1-19	"Surprised By Joy"

Worship Service Team

Preaching: Deena Candler
Assisting: Patti Gatzke, Lisa Harrison, Priscilla Powell
Media: Steve Burgess
Sound: Matt Huck
Music: Julie Burgess, Luke Burns, Steve Dostal, Michael Dryver, Liz Etchison, Ayden Larson, Kathy Leach, Jane Loeck, Stan Parker, Sarah Weller

ATTENDANCE	9:00	10:30	TOTAL
3-25-18	214	114	328
3-18-18	162	100	262

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

April 1, 2018



Worship Celebration

Worthy Is the Lamb (from MESSIAH) - Handel/Leatherman
The Day of Resurrection - Varner

Introit: Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed by Keith Getty

Call to Worship

Greet One Another

The Day of Resurrection #118

Prayer of Confession

The Good News of God's Forgiveness

Hallelujah To The King

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

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

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

Let The Grave Be Opened

"Journey to Jerusalem Series"

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (page 793)

"Fools Day"

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today #123

Charge & Blessing

Hallelujah Chorus
Larry Wagner - Trumpet

All are invited to come join the Hallelujah Chorus

"Amen" (from MESSIAH) - Handel/Leatherman

CONNECTING WITH GOD

MESSAGE QUESTIONS

1. Why was the cross a stumbling block to the Jews?
2. Why was the cross seen as foolishness to the Greeks?
3. How does Paul describe God's wisdom?
4. What does Christ's death and resurrection mean for us?
5. Why do you believe in the resurrection?

CONNECTING WITH OTHERS

NEXT GEN MINISTRIES-NURSERY, CHILDREN, YOUTH & COLLEGE

Happy Easter! We are glad you and your children are here! We love having families worship together with our "big West Hills family." Each week, you will find worship resources for children just outside the main sanctuary doors. The polka dotted bags are for pre-readers and the solid colored bags for readers. The children's bulletins correspond to the scripture and come in two levels of difficulty to help children of all ages focus and enjoy their time worshipping Jesus.

Children's Sunday Morning Ministry will resume **next Sunday** from 10:15-11:30 a.m. We are looking forward to *Digging Into the Life of Jesus* with your children!

OPPORTUNITY: BE PART OF THE VBS LEADERSHIP TEAM!

Do you like to plan and execute events? Would you like to learn more about what makes Vacation Bible School a highlight of the kids' year? We are looking for 1-2 people who like to look at the big picture, break it down into smaller pieces, and help provide resources to the hands-on teachers and crew leaders before and during VBS. Need to: love Jesus, have the ability to collaborate with others, and lead other adults and teens. Please contact Jessica Scheopner for more information.



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SUNDAY STUDY - APRIL 8 - 10:30 A.M. - CHAPEL: Kathy Padilla will lead this new bible study on Philippians. There is no cost to attend and everyone is welcome!

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will not meet at the church on April 12. Join them as they view the movie, **Paul, Apostle of Christ** on that day. If you haven't attended Thursday's study, but would like to join us at the movie please contact Gloria Zinn 402-393-2843 or gbennett34@cox.net for info. All are welcome.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Deena Candler will be away on Study Leave April 5-13. If you are in need of pastoral care, please call Heather Hipp, 402-391-8662 x1006.

Like to pray with a **Stephen Minister** Linda Gadwood 402-896-4516 (9:00); Marti Bloes 402-490-4720 (10:30) are available in the quiet room.

Hospitalized: Peggy Wheeler – Brighton Gardens.

Deaths: Prayers for the family of longtime member Joan Major, who passed suddenly last Tuesday. Service at West Hills Church on April 17, at 10:30 a.m.

This week's families to pray for are; Al & Ginny Jansen, Bill & Sara Jansen, Matt & Alana Jansen, Karen Jarvis, Rachel Jarvis, Sandy Jernigan, Bob & Mary Jirak, Jim & Helen Jobeun, Al & Deb Johnson, and Matthew Johnson.

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

Prayer Pager Ministry

Pager #1 - phone # 402-271-1053 (congregational pager): This week we are praying for Jerry Allen as he undergoes surgery for Laryngeal cancer this Friday. Prayers for both he and Marcia to have strength and encouragement in the days ahead.

Pager #2 – phone # 402-271-1155 (staff pager): This week's staff member to pray for is Heather Hipp, assistant to pastor. Prayers this joyous day brings hope and blessings to families near and far. That the love of Christ that surpasses all understanding, warms your heart and home. Have a wonderful Easter!

*When you've prayed for one of these people, dial the corresponding phone number. After the beep, press 1 2 3 # and hang up. You will NOT be called back. Thank you!

Easter Flower Donations

Thank you for contributing to the beautiful flowers in celebration our risen Lord!

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So that all may enjoy the flowers in our sanctuary, please do not remove until after the end of the 10:30 a.m. service or you may stop by the church during the week.

In Memory of:

Husband, Rick Aden
Homer & Faye Van Boskirk
Our son, Mark
Virgil & Mildred Crouch and Ron Stevens Sr.
Don & Della Drake
Bev Drake
Larry & Pauline Fisher and Brunhilda Gatzke
All the students involved in gun violence
Our parents and Robert Hall
Connie's mother, Charlotte Brown
My father & brother
Our parents, Don & Shirley Kelley and
Meredith & Jean Robinson
Our parents
My parents, Jack & Trudy Burns
Our parents
Warren & Mabel Messman
Our fathers, Lee Cramer & Bob O'Reilly
Leonard, Mildred, Eileen & Wayne Peterson
Our loving parents
Ken Power
Linda's mother, Isabel Reuschel and
Lloyd & Fonda Schuchmann
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Our parents & sister
Our parents, Siegfried & Ruth and Tony & Helen
My mother, Adeline M. Stephan
Our daughter, Sheri Thompson
Pat Christensen & Robin Wagner
Ron's brother, Rodney Wells
Don & Margie Crouse
Jim & Caroyl Westcott
Warren & Cheryl White

In Honor of:

John Good
The West Hills Congregation
Grandchildren, Ty Dingman & Olivia Willie
Our risen Lord!
Florence Maurer
West Hills Staff
Warren Gatzke
Son, John
Rowe Hall
John & Beverly Huck and Lloyd Brown
Her family
Our grandchildren
The churches in Syria, Lebanon and Iraq
Our boys
Linda's father, Louis Reuschel
Our family
Our Celebrations Committee
Our grandsons, Brandon, Bryce & Brody
Our family
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