



"Windows"

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Quarterly Blessing!

Once a quarter we get to experience one of the richest blessings in the "following Jesus" life – we get to be blessed by blessing others. Several years ago now the deacons of Westwood recommended to our leadership boards a missions offering plan that involves a once a quarter special offering taken during all three of our worship services. We call this the inventive name of "Quarterly Missions Offerings Sundays." On those Sundays we literally take 2 offerings in each service, one targeted at the normal ministry expenses of Westwood and one targeted at one or more missions that Westwood supports. On those days then, Westwood has the real blessing of giving directly to a group of extraordinary ministries that are doing great, Kingdom building work in our community and in our world.

Our first Quarterly Missions offering Sunday is January 29th. This missions offering is targeted at local, community missions and our deacons have chosen Set Me Free Ministries and the Omaha Street School as the recipients. Set Me Free is the dream of our own Stephanie Olson and is a teaching and speaking ministry that specializes in creating life-changing events that encourage people to remove false facades and become real with God and each other. Over the years we've watched God use this ministry in mighty ways in the lives of people in the greater Omaha and Lincoln areas. Investing in Set Me Free is a great investment in growing God's Kingdom in the hearts and lives of people. Check out Set Me Free at www.setmefreeministries.com.

The Omaha Street School is a faith-based alternative high school located in north Omaha. The school was founded by John Parsons who was given a vision from God about a school focused on meeting the educational and spiritual needs of teenagers who have fallen through the cracks of other school systems. The Omaha Street School opened its doors in January 1999 with four students. Today enrollment ranges from 30 to 40 with an average classroom size of 8 to 10 students. I've had the rare privilege of being around the Street School a bit this year and I can't tell you how vital this ministry is to young people from our town. Again we couldn't find a better use for our missions dollars than the Omaha Street School. Find out more at <http://www.omahastreetschool.org>. On Sunday the 29th both Stephanie and John will be in our worship services sharing how God is using the ministries they serve.

Coming up in 2012: Our second quarter missions offering will go towards our VBS ministry. Our third quarter missions offering will be focused on Habitat for Humanity. Our fourth quarter offering will bless two Reformed Church ministries: the Winnebago Reformed Church and Inspiration Hills. Then on Christmas Eve we will take a special offering that will bless our global missions' efforts. All these will bless others – all these will then be a blessing in our lives.

And that's who we are, blessed to be a blessing. It is great to live that out in this way.

Blessings to You,

Pastor Scott

PreSCHOOL AND MOM'S DAY OUT 2012 REGISTRATION IS Here!

It's that time again to get ready for our Summer and Fall programming! To ensure your child has a spot in Westwood's Preschool and/or Mom's Day Out programs, you'll need to complete the forms soon!

- Forms are available starting Feb. 1st
- Turn in forms Tuesday, Feb. 21st through Tuesday, Feb. 28th to the church office. Forms not accepted before the 21st.

We'd love to see your kiddos with us! We have wonderful programming and teachers that teach your kids that God loves them! We provide an environment to help develop them socially, emotionally, developmentally, and spiritually!

If you have any questions regarding Preschool, contact Jenn Van Cleve at preschoolkids@westwoodchurch.net; and if you have questions regarding Mom's Day Out, contact Deb Schuiteman at mdo@westwoodchurch.net.

SPECIAL SUNDAY STUDY FOR LENT

Fasting Bible Study

Sundays: February 26-April 1
9:30 a.m.

Facilitated by Cathy Mann Christiansen and Jenn VanCleve

Opening the door to a deeper, more intimate, more powerful relationship with God.

In this short 6-week study we will discuss:

- What is a biblical fast?
- The secret to a successful fast
- Choosing the right fast for you
- Preparing for your fast
- How to begin and end your fast
- The connection between fasting, prayer and praise
- What to expect physically, mentally and spiritually when fasting

We will use an interactive DVD study by Jentezen Franklin.

Great material and great discussion awaits!

This is a great study to experience during the season of Lent.

We would like to get an idea of those interested in attending in order to plan space and study material. Please email Cathy at cathy.c@cox.net and let her know you're planning to attend!



Have you ever noticed a pleasant, God-loving, respectful young adult and thought to yourself, "I sure hope my kid turns out like that!"

Here's a hint: Be intentional about WHO they spend their time with, and WHAT they are involved in!

Parents of all current 5th graders . . . mark your calendars for a special event called, "The Bridge." You and your 5th grader are invited to join us Sunday, February 26th, from 2-4pm. Our goal is to ease your 5th grader's upcoming transition from Children's Ministry to BRIX (Westwood's awesome middle school program). You'll get information, and your 5th grader will get a taste of what awaits them in BRIX.

Is this a critical time in your child's life? You BET it is! We can help.
Watch for more information to come in the mail.



POWER CONNECTION WORK CAMP & CONFERENCE
KANSAS CITY & MARYVILLE, MO.
JULY 24-29

COST IS \$225 PER STUDENT—INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING/SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY! REGISTRATIONS AND YOUR FIRST
\$75 PAYMENT ARE DUE BY JANUARY 29TH!

www.synodyouth.org

Mark your calendars and
be on the lookout for these



Upcoming EVENTS...

February 8—Valentine's Game Night

February 19—Parent Meeting—9:45 in the Chapel (Pregnancy Center guest speaker)

March 2-4—BRIX CampOUT! (Camp Eagle: Friday 6:30 p.m.—Sunday 12 p.m.)

April 25—last regular BRIX of the school year

April 27-28—LOCK-IN (5th—8th graders: Friday 8 p.m.—Saturday 7:30 a.m.)

May 12-13 —30 Hour Famine (with Revolution: Saturday 10 a.m.—Sunday 2:30 p.m.)

July 24-29—Power Connection Work Camp and Conference

QUESTIONS????? Contact kara@westwoodchurch.net or 402.333.6120

BRIX BASICS



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Meets every Sunday at 9:30 in the youth room — come for breakfast and fellowship as we grow deeper in our relationships with GOD and each other!

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Join us on Wednesdays
from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

INVITE your friends!!

all 6th-8th graders welcome!!

BRIX t-shirts are here!!!

\$10



Get Yours TODAY!

REVOLUTION

High School Ministry

For more information about
High School Ministry :
Contact Dawn @ 402.333.6120
or Dawn@westwoodchurch.net

REGULAR WEEKLY PROGRAMMING

SUNDAY MORNINGS – MUSIC MANIA!

Come **ROCK OUT** with us in Sunday School! "Gourmet" breakfast, great music & God's word!9:30-10:45 a.m. in the Youth Room (east side).

SUNDAY NIGHTS – HANG TIME & WORSHIP

WILD & CRAZY games, relevant messages, and worship with the Revolution Band! A great night to **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS – SMALL GROUPS

Get plugged into a small group, make some life long friends, and **DIG DEEPER** into God's Word!6:30-8:00 p.m. (Individual group locations vary.)

Revolution Super Bowl Party!

Sunday, Feb. 5th - 5 p.m.

Nathan & Ben Johnson's Home
6510 S. 159th Ave.

Come hang out with friends, cheer on your favorite team, and eat lots of good grub!

We may or may not watch football...



CURRENT SERIES:



JAN. 15TH – FEB. 1ST

CHECK THE WEB FOR MORE INFO!



SUMMER MISSION TRIP
GLORIETTA, NEW MEXICO
JUNE 17th - JUNE 24th, 2012
REMINDER:
THE NEXT \$50 PAYMENT IS DUE
FEB. 12TH

REVOLUTION



FUNDRAISER!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR FOOD & SNACKS FOR YOUR SUPER BOWL PARTY?

LET REVOLUTION HELP!

PRE-ORDER YOUR PAPA MURPHY'S READY TO BAKE PIZZAS AND EILEENS COOKIE DOUGH AND PICK UP AT CHURCH ON SUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEB. 5TH!

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO GLORIETTA, NEW MEXICO.

PRINT & COMPLETE THE ORDER FORM BELOW.

ALL ORDERS/PAYMENTS DUE BY SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH.



EILEEN'S COOKIE DOUGH (3 LB. CONTAINER)

| Flavor | Chocolate Chip \$12 | Oatmeal Raisin \$12 | Sugar \$12 | Peanut Butter \$12 | White Choc Macadamia \$12 | Monster \$12 | M & M \$12 | Total Quantity | Total \$ Amount |
|----------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Quantity | | | | | | | | | |

PAPA MURPHY'S (LARGE) READY TO BAKE PIZZA

| Flavor | Hamburger \$10 | Pepperoni \$10 | Canadian Bacon \$10 | Cheese \$10 | All Meat \$13 | Combo \$13 | Gourmet Chicken \$13 | Hawaiian \$13 | Total Quantity | Total \$ Amount |
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| Quantity | | | | | | | | | | |

Name _____ Phone # _____ Order Total \$ _____

(Please make checks payable to: Westwood Church)

Summer Dates to Save!!!

Vacation Bible School: June 4-8

Inspiration Hills Summer Camp:

Lodge Quest Camp (Entering 7th-9th grade): June 11-15

Discovery Camp (Entering 3rd grade): June 18-20

Lodge Adventure Camp (Entering 4th-6th grade): June 25-29

Inspiration Hills Camp Registration Forms will be available in the Welcome Center on February 5th and will be due March 25th. Our Butter Braid Fundraiser for summer camp will occur from February 29th-March 14th.

Y.A.M.S

(Young Adult Ministry)

CHIT CHAT & CHOW!

SUNDAY MORNINGS

BEGINNING JANUARY 8TH

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Garden Café

11040 Oak Street

(Rockbrook, Just South of 108th & Center)

Get your Sunday Mornings started a bit earlier with some good conversation with friends and a tasty breakfast before worship.

TOTALLY CASUAL. COMPLETELY COMFORTABLE. ENTIRELY REAL.



Prime Timers
Thursday, February 2nd
Millard Roadhouse
Noon

Call Rolene Breed at 402-333-4162 with questions.

REMINDER!!!

Just a reminder that our church is a "Multi-use" facility. If you use a room for a meeting, etc., please leave it the way you found it. Please put things back where they were, vacuum up spill, crumbs, etc., empty excess trash, and turn the lights off. Please be considerate of those who will use the room after you.

~Thanks!



HELP SUPPORT our BRIX Middle Schoolers with CENTS you would have SPENT anyway!!!

Don't forget to take advantage of the SCRIP PROGRAM AT WESTWOOD when you are buying things for HOME IMPROVEMENTS , PRESCRIPTIONS , GAS or GROCERY SHOPPING!!!

If you have a favorite restaurant or two...buy your Scrip cards to use next time you go out to eat!

Orders can be placed at the SCRIP table every Sunday morning, online or by calling the Scrip Coordinator below to place your order! Thanks for your shopping dollars to work for our BRIX Middle Schoolers!

ORDER ON SUNDAY and CARDS are available at the SCRIP TABLE the following Sunday!

*SCRIP COORDINATOR – Kellie Runge - 402.333.6120
kellierunge@gmail.com*

What Is Scrip?

Scrip is a term that means “substitute money”. When you purchase scrip, you're purchasing negotiable gift certificates and prepaid cards that are used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, gas and other essentials, and with every purchase, you earn revenue for our BRIX Middle Schoolers.

FIGHT THOSE GERMS

We are collecting the following germ fighting items for Oak Valley School, our Embrace Teachers partner.



**Kleenex
Anti-bacterial hand sanitizer
Lysol/Clorox Wipes**



You may drop off your donations in the collection tub by the office by February 5th.

Thanks in advance!!!

Servants/Guests

January 29, 2012

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

(9:45 & 11:00) Lead—Sue Marines

(9:45) Aides—Ann Broyhill-Schram, Allison Dokter

(11:00) Aides—Sallye Lee, Shelby Varilek

2 YEAR OLD HEADQUARTERS:

Lead (9:30)—Deb Schuiteman

Aides (9:30)—TBA

Lead (10:45)—Jackie Becker

Aides (10:45)—Shelby Goodrich, Reagan Putnam

February 5, 2012

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

(9:45 & 11:00) Lead—Kellie Runge

(9:45) Aides—Patrice Murphy, Krystina Young

(11:00) Aides—Kari & Kaitlyn Randazzo, Kira VanCleve

2 YEAR OLD HEADQUARTERS:

Lead (9:30)—Kay Menning

Aides (9:30)—Erica Anderson

Lead (10:45)—Ryan VanCleve

Aides (10:45)—Wendy Pella, Weston Pool, Joe Runge



*Welcome
To our Church*

Visitors/Guests of Westwood...

Georgia Chase; Paul, Lessa, Audrey & Paul Woodbery; Bart Riegel



Baptism!

February 5th is
the next baptism
Sunday at
Westwood Church.

If you desire
baptism for yourself or your child,
please contact Pastor Scott at
402-333-6120 or
scott@westwodchurch.net
as soon as possible.

Calendar of Events

January 29, 2012-February 6, 2012

Sunday, January 29:

8:30, 9:45 & 11:00a.m. Worship Services
Quarterly Mission Offering—Local Missions
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Children's Worship (Pre-K-2nd Grade)
Following the Children's Message
6:00 p.m. Revolution

Monday, January 30:

9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
6:00 p.m. BRIX Band Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 31:

NO Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
6:30 p.m. Junior Puppets
7:00 p.m. Senior Puppets

Wednesday, February 1:

9:00 a.m. Helping Hands
9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
9:30 a.m. Mornings for Moms
5:30 p.m. WNL! Supper is Served
6:00 p.m. BRIX Middle School
6:15 p.m. Kids Choir & Classes
6:30 p.m. Revolution High School Bible Study,
Adult Choir & Classes

Thursday, February 2:

9:00 a.m. ASK Prayer
9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
10:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

Friday, February 3:

9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
Nicaragua Mission Team Leaves

Saturday, February 4:

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Sunday, February 5:

8:30, 9:45 & 11:00a.m. Worship Services
Baptism Sunday
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Children's Worship (Pre-K-2nd Grade)
Following the Children's Message
6:00 p.m. Revolution

Monday, February 6:

9:00 a.m. Preschool & MDO
6:00 p.m. BRIX Band Rehearsal