

Westmont Christian Church



February 2023

**WITNESS**



**Scout Sunday at Westmont**  
**February 5, 2023**



# FROM THE PASTOR

Westmont Family,

The number one reason we can even say “Westmont Family” was fully displayed this January. We had memorial services for two members of our church, and the outpouring of love from our congregation was surely a blessing to the families and honoring to God. Truly, we can celebrate the lives of these members who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. This is the hope we all lean into, that life after death is eternally with God in Jesus Christ.

Though we did not want to start the year with these services, they help us to keep eternity in view as we seek to live according to God’s commands in 2023.

I cannot believe it is already February. This month has some exciting things to look forward to. Be sure to look through this entire Newsletter for details about so many ministries, events and announcements. We are a very active church, but not everyone is aware of all we do. Perhaps you are looking for ways to be more involved in the life of the church; or maybe you want to volunteer your time to help spread the Gospel. We encourage all of our church members to listen to where God is calling them to serve.

Ephesians 4:7, 11-12, “But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ’s gift... And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.”

As believers in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and our personal Lord and Savior, together we make up the body of Christ. Individually, Christ gifts us with different giftings, which we use in the body to build up the body. We are all called to step into the talents and giftings God has given us to mature ourselves and each other spiritually and in unity. The church is the place in which true unity, order, and truth is displayed with Christ as the head. Let us encourage one another to be active members of the body.

We will be marking the beginning of the Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday on February 22. This is traditionally a time to prepare for and purposefully remember the events which take place during Holy Week and Resurrection Sunday (Easter). We pray this year will carry with it a genuine concern for where God is calling Westmont to be, both financially and in ministry to our community. We invite you all to join us in purposeful prayer for our future and God’s leading.

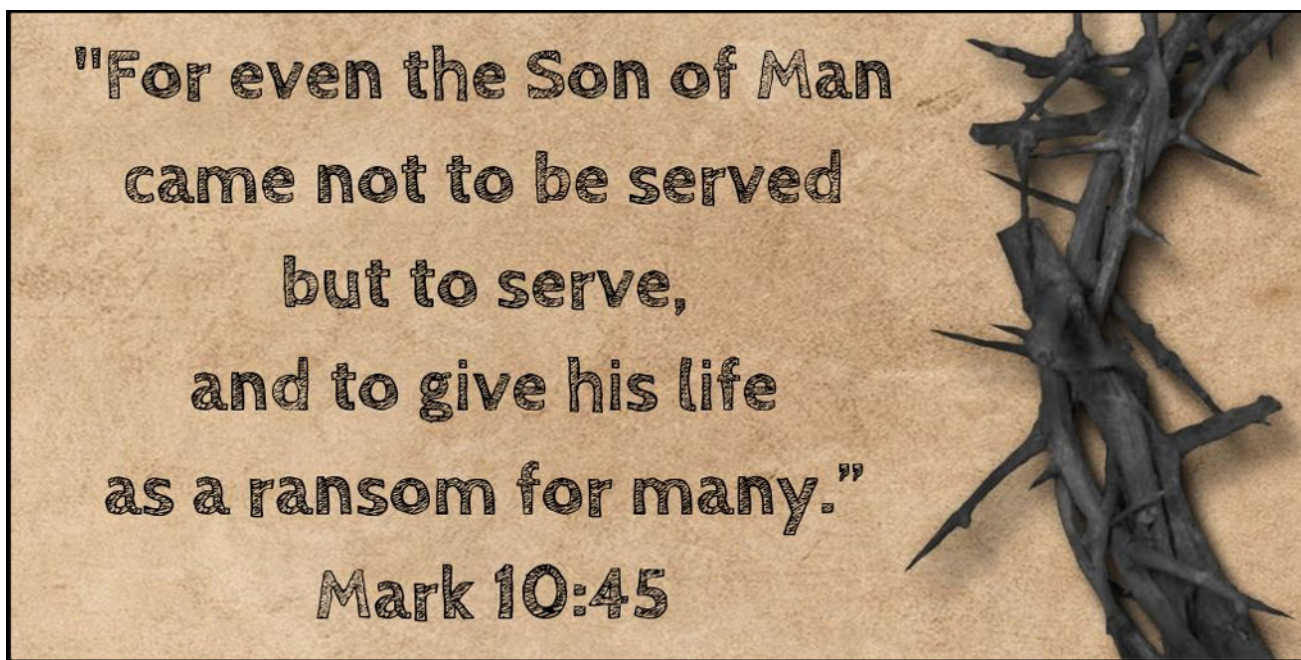


We have a “Long-Range Planning Committee,” who has spoken in front of the congregation and plans to implement a congregational prayer effort and campaign. We want to be faithful stewards of what God has entrusted to us, while at the same time challenge each other into new levels of generosity. God certainly has a plan for Westmont, and that starts with the lives of every individual member answering the call God is placing on their hearts. Let us truly be the Westmont Family we claim to be.

May God work on us all, including your staff, the new Board, and our Eldership. May God continue to bless us as we seek to do His will, to His glory, and for His purposes. May we exist to declare the Gospel of Christ to the broken and weary sinner, that God would use these declarations to pull others out of the muck of their sin and turn to Christ.

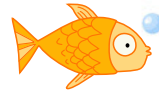
To God be the Glory!

Pastor Jarid McCool



## Children's Moment Leadership

February 2023



February 05

Jarid McCool

February 12

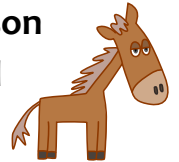
Christy Robinett

February 19

Larry Anderson

February 26

Jarid McCool



Hi Westmont!

We are very excited to have just held our first club meeting of the New Year! We have two six-lesson Bible series to teach for the winter and spring terms. There have been several professions of faith in the fall, and there are many more kids for which we are continually praying.

We have a wonderful Professional Staff Member in music teacher Natalie Rosales who has recently gotten engaged to be married! Congratulations and a huge thank you to her for volunteering at the club!

We continually accept donations of small water bottles and snacks for the children and encourage volunteers. Thank you to the men and women who continue to sacrifice their time and to Brenda Gray for joining the team! If you would like to drop by and visit a club on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 p.m. at Stewart Elementary just to see what it's all about, I would strongly encourage you to do so! Come and be blessed, and see what God is doing in this ministry!

Much love,  
Bethany





Gifts were given to Westmont Christian Church in memory of **Liz Hood** by Canzada Bray, Gary, Neta, & Clayton Hansen, and Anne Klein.

Gifts were given to Westmont Christian Church in memory of **Rus Moore** by Canzada Bray, Jill Clark, Gary, Neta, & Clayton Hansen, and Carla Terry.

## Honoring Marriage Night

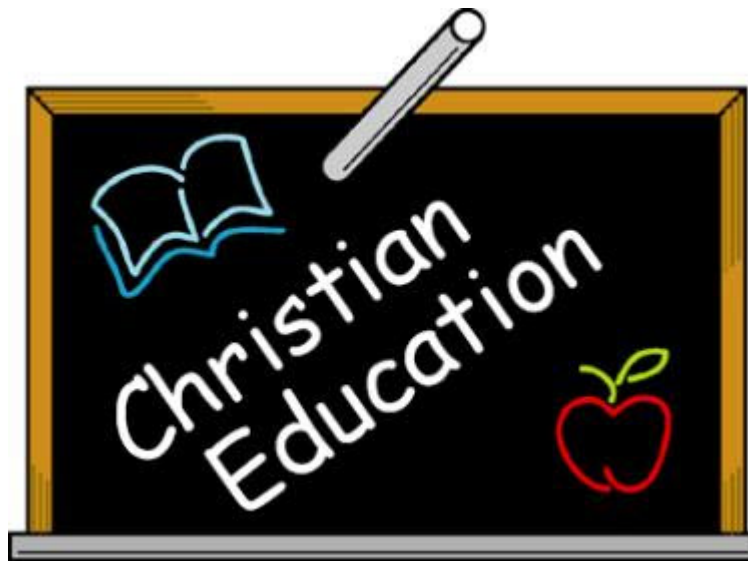
February 10, 2023 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.



Enjoy an evening out with your spouse as Westmont hosts and cares for your children (birth-5th grade). We will feed the children, play games, watch a movie, eat snacks, and more!

Focus on strengthening the relationship with your spouse on this Friday evening. We pray God richly blesses your marriage.

Please RSVP ([office@westmontlubbock.org](mailto:office@westmontlubbock.org)) at your earliest convenience to let us know that your children are coming. Thank you.



**Come and join a small group! Find an opportunity this week at Westmont to learn more about Jesus Christ and His purpose for your life. You are welcome, and we can't wait to see you there!**

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

**Sunday Morning: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

**Koinonia Class** led by Cynthia McKenney studying the New Testament – Brides/Green Room

**Small Group Sunday School Class** led by Jan d'Orsay and Canzada Bray studying the book of John – Church Library

**The Chosen Class** led by Joel Robinett, James Livermore, Brenda Gray & Dahlia Hood studying the first Season of “The Chosen” - East End, Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday Morning: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

**Women's Fresh Air Fellowship** led by Jan d'Orsay and Canzada Bray studying a book “The Prayer That Changes Everything” by Stormie Omartian - Church Library

**Wednesday Evening: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Pastor Jarid's Class** studying “American Christianity” - Fellowship Hall

**Women's Fresh Air Fellowship** led by Canzada Bray and Jan d'Orsay studying a book by James Moore, “If God Has a Refrigerator, It Has Your Name On It.” – Church Library (begins at 6:30 p.m.)

### **CHILDREN'S EDUCATION**

**Sunday Morning:**

9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School - Children's wing

10:40 a.m. Junior Worship after communion - Children's wing

**Wednesday Evening:**

6:00 p.m. Kid's Club - Children's Wing



# February Board Meeting

Please note that the Board now meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.



**February 21, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.**

*In-Person (library) & Zoom*

*Board Members, please email your monthly report!*

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Braden McCool 08  
Cathy Lovett 11  
Terri Ralston 13  
Karen Armstrong 14  
Jan Keene 17  
Jill Watts 18  
Terry Anglin 18  
Paul Blanton 21  
Carolyn Crowley 23  
Sam Jordan 28

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Jimmy & Gayla Dirks 07  
Peter & Kristi Keene 09  
Steve & Sheree Toal 29



## Women of Westmont Luncheon

**Tuesday, February 14, 2023 - 11:45 a.m.**

**Skyviews Restaurant**  
1901 University Avenue  
Suite 600

Friends and Family of Westmont,

Our family has been so immeasurably blessed by your love and generosity as we welcomed our new little girl home. We are so thankful for the team of women who put on this event with such panache!

We were honored and blessed far beyond what we could ever deserve. You all humbled us with your great love. May God continue to be glorified by our love for each other in Christian unity, and may we show the world this great love with which God has gifted us. We love and are so grateful for you all!

Jarid and Bethany





## Children's Department Meeting

Parents, Guardians, & Volunteers:

There will be an important meeting following worship on Sunday, February 5, 2023 for all connected to the Children's Department. This meeting will be held in the church library from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., and it will be facilitated by Nicole Sanchez (Children & Youth Education Officer).

Important information that pertains to your role with the Children's Department will be shared during this time. We thank you in advance for your attendance.



### Fellowship Team Meeting

February 2, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Westmont Fellowship Team (all cooks) will meet on February 02 in Fellowship Hall. This gathering will focus on the plans and the implementation of the vision for 2023. All of our cooking teams are encouraged to attend. In addition, anyone interested in serving in this area is invited to join us!

May God continue to bless one of the most supported and dynamic ministries of our church! We look forward to discussing the plans for this year with you!

Jodi Blanton  
Fellowship Officer





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## WEDNESDAY



**A Service of Worship for Everyone**

**February 22, 2023**

**WCC Sanctuary**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Nursery will be provided. There will be no other evening activities.**



## Active Elder Rotation

**2023**

Jimmy Dirks  
James Livermore  
Neta Hansen

**2024**

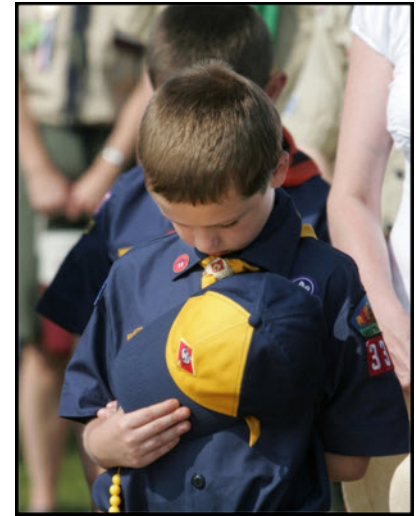
Larry Anderson  
Canzada Bray  
Christy Robinett

**2025**

Jan Keene  
Scott Miller  
Richard Ralston  
Dr. Cynthia McKenney



**Each year represents the final year of service for their three-year term.**



**Concerns: Chris Yoes – Pray for my teacher’s husband who has cancer. Pray that he will get better and his surgery will go well. 02/05**

Shelia Jones – prayers 01/29

Ebba Anderson – Recently in the hospital and now in Trustpoint 01/29

**Katie Hargrove – prayers for vocal cord healing 01/29; Morris Family – surgery (donation of kidney) It went well for both mom and dad, and they will be released from the hospital soon. 02/05**

Missy Jenkins – medical, chemo 01/29

Mary Elkins – diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma, just had second chemo. Treatment 01/22

Gwen Jordan – She was released from the hospital. She is back at Windmill Village. (Care & Rehab) She is in the memory care unit, #300. Please send cards to Windmill Village, 507 M.L.K. Blvd., Lubbock, TX 79403 Rm #310. She welcomes visits. 01/29

Naxeiah Owens – Pray for smooth school days & her mother’s work & school schedule to get back to normal. 01/22; **prayers for rest and inner peace and for Katie Hargrove’s voice to get well 02/05**

Christy Robinett – Please pray for John & Sara Bradshaw. Their 6-year-old son passed away. 01/22

Jimmy Dirks – Sister, Marcile Deidrick home and rehab 01/15

Anne Klein – Friend Mary, healing; Martha Hellmann, David Hellmann transplant; peace for the family of God & the world 1/22

JoAnn Hollie – Pray for the homeless Nation, as we are preparing to return to the streets. We are carrying food little by little. 01/22

**Continued Concern: Jill Watts’ Cousin, Debra Thomas, Terry Anglin, David Vartak, Nathan Kraus, Roger Reynolds, Jan Fry, Continued prayers for our family, Country, and our schools. DR Congo Outreach**

**Military: Lt. Col., Todd Anderson, M.D.; David & Ja’net Speich, 2 Nephews**

**Sympathy: Keene Family: Jan Keene’s grandson, son of Chris Keene -Ty Perrin passed away on January 28.**

Patrick & Jessica Johnson’s Cousin, John Albrect, passed away January 17 after a lengthy illness. Please pray for his mother, wife and five children.





January 17, 2023

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Thank you for your recent donation to help care for our precious children. Your gift and your support to *Texas Girls & Boys Ranch* will ensure kids are healthy, happy, and secure in the knowledge that they will be given the care they need.

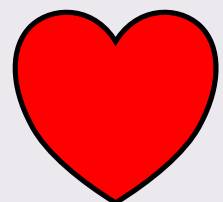
The children at the Ranch haven't witnessed the blessings that we sometimes take for granted. But because of you they will know there is someone who cares for them and who is willing to step up and help.

Your blessings to these children is a big step in changing a little broken life. We are so grateful to have friends who see the importance of our mission of Sharing Jesus, Healing Hearts, and Transforming Lives, and who contribute to blessing the less fortunate children in our community.

Thank you, again, for all you do.

For the boys & girls,

John Sigle  
President



<u>WORSHIP SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
January 01	67
January 08	81
January 15	74
January 22	69
January 29	82
<b>January Average</b>	<b>74</b>



The Young@Heart Fellowship group will be gathering once again at 6:00 p.m. on February 16, 2023 at Orlando's (2402 Avenue Q).

If you have any questions, please call Ronda Cartwright (806.781.7425). We look forward to seeing you there!

*Expressing God's Love*

*Inspiring God's People*

*Expanding God's Kingdom*

## MINISTRY TEAM

**Rev. Jarid McCool**, Senior Minister  
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**Neta Hansen**, Interim Ministry Assistant  
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**Jessica Johnson**, Custodian  
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**Carolyn Wood**, Childcare Provider

**Samara Lambright**, Childcare Provider

**Richard Ralston**, Media Lead

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:00 a.m. Elders Meeting
- 9:15 a.m. Nursery Opens (birth - 4 years)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Instrumental & Media Rehearsal
- 10:40 a.m. Worship & Junior Worship

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (Monday - Thursday)

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