


CONNECTING WITH THE WORLD

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SUNDAY MORNING DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES! Check out these class offerings on Sunday mornings at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in the chapel.

Date	9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Jan. 5	H2O - Rick Mason	Egypt Presentation - Peg Shirley & Nancy Kehrl
Jan. 12	H2O - Rick Mason	Connecting the Dots: A Faith Dissertation - Julie Burgess
Jan. 19	H2O - Rick Mason	Connecting the Dots: A Faith Dissertation - Julie Burgess
Jan. 26	H2O - Rick Mason	Connecting the Dots: A Faith Dissertation - Julie Burgess

H2O @ 9 A.M.: According to Kyle Idleman's Bible study H2O, everyone thirsts, but there is only one drink that truly satisfies. H2O is a DVD-driven Bible study designed to create a safe atmosphere in which people are comfortable considering the person of Jesus Christ. Essentially, it is ten episodes and ten stories that examine the desire every one of us has to quench the thirst that burns within our spirit. Open to all, 9 a.m. Sunday mornings in the chapel



EGYPT PRESENTATION @ 10:30 A.M.: Join us on Jan. 5 in the chapel as Nancy Kehrl and Peg Shirley share with you their adventures on their mission trip to Egypt this year. You will hear about the work of the Evangelical Theological Seminary and their success at helping strengthen and grow the church in Egypt in the midst of difficult times. You will get to hear about their church visits. One of the churches you will hear about is Adaima church, our sister church in Egypt. You will also get to see the pyramids, the sphinx, the Nile River, the tombs and temples and the Egyptian countryside. Feel free to invite a friend to join you for this great Sunday school class.



Can't make it on Jan. 5? Peg Shirley will be sharing her Egypt adventures again on Thursday, Jan. 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel.

CONNECTING THE DOTS: A FAITH DISSERTATION @ 10:30 A.M.

Join Julie Burgess as she connects seventeen trips with The Outreach Foundation to be present with the church in the Middle East and twenty graduate hours in Creighton's master of ministry program. Let's look at theology, Christology, spirituality and some church history as we travel the roads of Iraq, Syria and Lebanon. Five weeks beginning January 12, 2020 in the chapel.



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 visitor's bag. We hope that you will join us in worship again soon!

THIS WEEK

SUN 1-5 Service with communion and installation of elders: 9a
Service with communion and installation of deacons: 10:30a
Nursery: 9:00a service infants to 3 yrs. & 10:30a service infants to 5 yrs.
Children's Crosswalk: check-in 8:45a (LL) 4 yrs.-6th grade
Youth Sunday School: 9a (LL) 7th-12th grade
Discipleship classes - chapel: 9 & 10:30a
Joint Service Fellowship: 10-10:30a

MON 1-6 Newsletter Team Meeting: 11:30a - Open to anyone that would like to contribute to our newsletter "The Window".
BSF: 6:40p
AA Group: 8p

TUE 1-7 Men's Bible Study: 6:30a
InGathering: 6:30p snacks & 7:00p meeting

WED 1-8 Women's Bible Study on Psalm 23 begins: 9:15a (nursery care avail.)
Wednesday Night @ West Hills begins!
Dinner: 5:30-6:15p / Classes: 6p & 6:30p (see announcement)

THU 1-9 Egypt Presentation: 9:30a - Everyone is welcome to join us!
Al-Anon: 12p

FRI 1-10 Al-Anon: 7p
AA Group: 8p

SAT 1-11 BSF Leader's Mtg: 6:15a

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Preaching: Andy Hamer
Sound: Matt Huck
Media: Steve Burgess

Music: Al Anderson, Kaitlin Bates, Kevin Gibson, Kathy Leach, Trink Traudt, William Scheopner

Attendance	9:00	10:30	TOTAL
12-29-2019	137	92	229
12-24-2019	Family Service @ 5 pm		141
12-24-2019	Candlelight Service @ 7 pm		231
12-22-2019	187	122	309

If you requested 2020 pledge envelopes, they are available in Geneva Lounge.

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January 5, 2020

Worship Celebration

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Welcome & Announcements

Preparing to Encounter God's Word

Call to Worship

Arise Your Light Is Come

Forever

Prayer of Confession

The Good News of God's Forgiveness

Be Thou My Vision

Ordination and/or Installation of Elders/Deacons

Encountering God's Word

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12 (page 676)
Kings, Astrologers, Teachers - Oh My!

Celebration of Communion

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Responding to God's Word Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

We Three Kings

Pastoral Blessing

This Little Light of Mine

Postlude

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

CONNECTING WITH GOD

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT VOLUNTEERS:

Would you like to share your gifts with a small group of children during Wednesday Night @West Hills? We would like to offer worship arts opportunities - drama, music, games, crafts, story time, puppetry or something else you would like to teach to help elementary aged kids learn to explore and use their gifts. Contact jessica@whcomaha.org

Do you enjoy leading projects or events? Would you like to help coordinate one of the monthly fun events? We are looking for a few coordinators who would enjoy planning an event to bring generations together in fun and fellowship. Please email jessica@whcomaha.org if you would like to be part of this team.

Greeting people is such an important ministry to make people feel welcome. Would you be interested to greet people as they come to West Hills on Sunday morning? If a warm smile and friendly welcome is your gift, contact Wendi Meyer to join the greeting team. Contact Wendi at wendimeyer52@gmail.com

The **Crosswalk Administration Team** is a small team that meets one afternoon a month to pray for Crosswalk and one another, and to prepare the supplies for Sunday mornings. If you enjoy behind-the-scenes work and would like to be part of this amazing group, please email jessica@whcomaha.org

CONNECTING WITH OTHERS

NURSERY & CHILDREN

WE ARE GLAD YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN ARE HERE! We love having families worship with our "big West Hills family." Your children are welcome in the worship service. A quiet room is available at the back and north side of the sanctuary, if the need arises. Worship resources for children are just outside the main sanctuary doors. The polka dotted bags are for pre-readers and solid colored bags for readers. *Please leave your used bags on the pew after the service.*

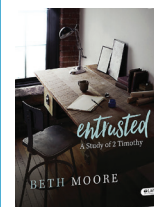
ALL CHURCH

WEDNESDAY NIGHT @ WEST HILLS WILL RESUME JAN. 8!

Join us for a buffet dinner from 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. and then one of these offerings:

- * Women's Bible study @ 6 p.m. - Entrusted by Beth Moore
- * Co-ed Bible study @ 6:30 p.m. - Everything You Need by Dr. David Jeremiah
- * 406 Youth @ 6:30 p.m. - Identity-Who Does God Say I Am?
- * Kids Connect @ 6:30 p.m. - Kids and parents 1-5th grade experience God's love through worship, stories, crafts and games.
- * Choir @ 6:30 p.m.

"ENTRUSTED" BY BETH MOORE: We were never meant to take this journey of faith alone or in secret. God has entrusted us with the great and mighty gift of the gospel, something too precious and life-giving to keep to ourselves. In this DVD study, Beth will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others, and pour into future generations just as Paul once mentored Timothy. Because in this journey of joy and hardship, we need each other to stay the course and live lives of faithfulness. All ladies are welcome! Facilitated by Leann Schaffer and the cost of the workbook is \$15.



"EVERYTHING YOU NEED" BY DR. DAVID JEREMIAH: Taken from 1 and 2 Peter Dr. Jeremiah says, "Have you ever seen so many people under so much pressure? That's the nature of our times, but don't despair! God has given you everything you need to withstand the stresses of life and overcome the challenges of the journey." Facilitated by Jan Drake, Maralee Gifford and Gloria Zinn. Everyone is welcome!



THE NURSERY IS LOOKING TO HIRE YOU! We have a Wednesday morning shift available as well as a sub position. This job would be perfect for a stay at home mom, retiree or a college student. If you love kids and Jesus, we'd love to hear from you! Contact Erika at erika@whcomaha.org

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY! West Hills is seeking a part-time Children's Ministry coordinator to lead Crosswalk, our Sunday morning children's ministry. This is a part time position, with 5-8 hours of work each week. If you have questions, please email jessica@whcomaha.org. If you would like to apply for this position, please go to [indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com) and search West Hills to apply.

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ALL CHURCH

NEXT WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT FEB. 7-9: Need some peace and quiet? This is the perfect time and place. The retreat center at St. Benedicts is just a 1 ½ hours' drive from Omaha and is the ideal location for one-on-one quiet time with HIM. You are sure to be replenished after this weekend away from your normal routine. The cost is \$125 (includes meals & single room occupancy) sign up in Geneva Lounge today! Space is limited and payment is due with your registration. Deadline is January 19.

CALLING ALL STEPHEN MINISTERS: Whether you are active or not, please join us on Saturday, Jan. 25 for a Stephen Minister Appreciation Luncheon from noon to 2:00 p.m. Beth Nodes, ombudsman for long-term Care in Omaha will be presenting. RSVP at rbennett34@cox.net or 402-810-3750.

CASSEROLE CARE: West Hills hosts a foster family support group every other month. One practical way we can show the love of Christ to families who are fostering is to help with a meal for a busy day. Pick up a disposable casserole dish in Geneva Lounge today. Make one of your favorite meals and attach the recipe. You can add a card or note telling the family you are praying for them as well. When you return your frozen meal to the freezer in the church kitchen by **Wednesday, Jan. 15**, you will have provided a meal for a foster family to pull out of the freezer on a day when their hands are full.



2020 FLOWER CHART: If you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary on a Sunday in the new year, sign up on the chart. You may wish to provide flowers to celebrate a special occasion or to honor a family member or friend. The cost of the flower arrangement is \$40 and you can take the flowers home after second service to enjoy all week. The chart is posted in Geneva Lounge, near the coffee makers. Thank you!

COMMUNION: If you would like to be served communion in your pew, please raise your hand. Gluten-free bread is available at both services.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HOSPITAL/REHAB: Phil Oftelie - Hillcrest Rehab Papillion, June Rogers - Select Specialty Care Center

CAREGIVING CORNER CARDS are going to Bud Wells in celebration of his 91st birthday on January 8. Happy birthday Bud! And also, to June Rogers to wish her well during this time of recovery. Please stop by the Caregiving Corner to leave them a special note.

PRAYER CHAIN: Shirley Nelson; 402-391-8370 or shurlnelson@gmail.com
Carolyn Collins; 402-331-7481 or carolyn4nu@aol.com

This Week's Prayer Focus...

Congregation: June Rogers: Prayers for June's health to improve and strength to increase while she is at the Select Specialty Care Center. Prayers that after a few weeks she will be strong enough to return home. Visitors are welcome!

Monthly Mission Partner: Rev. Rafael Yuquilema, Ecuador