



called to serve

Elder Ordination Service

Sunday, January 8, 2023

New Elders

Jan Keene

Scott Miller

Richard Ralston

Returning to Active Service

Dr. Cynthia McKenney





FROM THE PASTOR

Westmont Family,

The dawning of a New Year is often a time of renewed vigor for what we know to be important in life. This is why we often will make New Year's Resolutions in an attempt to do better for ourselves mentally, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. This is because we all know we have fallen short of perfection, and we are never quite where we could or should be.

As we declare "Happy New Year 2023" to everyone, we encourage you to lean into the call God has on your heart and to seek ways to fulfill the thirst you find in your heart for God's truth by reading scripture more, fellowshiping with believers more, and engaging in the growing body of Christ God to which God has called you. For how can we edify one another and be edified by each other if we do not gather?

2023 brings with it many opportunities to tie into the body of Christ here at Westmont and to be part of what God is doing right here.

Our first *Wednesdays@Westmont* for 2023 will be January 18 at 5:25 p.m. Not only can you come and eat a wonderful meal with us, but there are several classes in which to be involved. The nursery is open every Wednesday, and the children always have something going on too. My Pastor's Class is studying "American Christianity" and exploring how the culture has influenced what is seen as "Christian" in our society. It is an opportunity to look at what scripture says versus where culture is trying to lead us. It is a deep time of discussion and learning, all so that we might bring God honor, glory, and praise.

Another exciting opportunity, especially if you do not already come to Sunday School, is a new Sunday School class being offered using curriculum on "The Chosen" series. It is a guided study through scripture and the artistic story telling of the scripture in the television series. It will be a thought-provoking and very enlightening class study. Whether you are a seasoned Bible reader or a new Christian, you will find this to be very applicable. Invite your friends and be ready January 22 at 9:30 a.m.

We are also excited to be bring in new Board members to help lead the business of the church in 2023 and to look toward the goals that God has laid before us. There will be many challenges to work through this year, and we will be seeking to be faithful to God's leading.

This year also welcomes three new Elders to the Eldership: Richard Ralston, Scott Miller, and Jan Keene. On Sunday January 8 during the worship service, there will be an Ordination Service as we pray over God's calling of these Elders. We hope you will all be able to join us in installing these new Elders who will help lead and shepherd our congregation.

One of the challenges we continue to face is our attendance and our giving. Though we have many generous people in our church, we are in a tight financial position. This makes it difficult for us to do ministry and live up to what we have committed as a church to accomplish. While we have a great number of members who are capable of attending our church worship services and events, we find that our average attendance is about 60% of what it could be. At the end of the 2022 fiscal year, we were at a deficit on our budget.

We hope to encourage and challenge our church body to commit in new ways to the participation of and in giving to this church that we all know and love. We want to be faithful followers of Christ, living into the love, compassion, and generosity God calls us into.

Your staff is grateful everyday to be here at Westmont and serving God to the best of our ability. Thank you all for the ways you love on us as we seek to take care of this congregation. If you ever want to volunteer, need us, or need to talk, share, or celebrate, please come see us. Our office hours are the same as they have been (Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.).

We are all excited for 2023. It has been a faithful process to see where God has led us so far, and I know that God is not done as we continue to lean on Him. May we all pray for renewed vigor and eager faith that produces thirsty hearts for God's truth and obedient hearts to God's Word.

To God be the Glory!

Pastor Jarid McCool



Children's Moment Leadership

January 2023



January 08

Jarid McCool

January 15

Canzada Bray

January 22

Jan d'Orsay

January 29

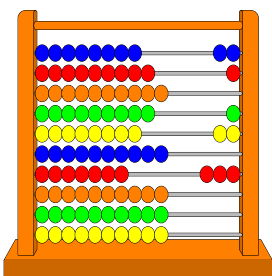
Neta Hansen



Westmont Members,

On Sunday, January 15, 2023, the congregation of Westmont will meet following the worship service for a called *Congregational Meeting*. Included in this meeting will be information regarding the finances and average attendance of our church family.

We request your attendance and prayer as we prepare for this time of relaying important facts and data in order to properly equip all of us with up-to-date information. Thank you for your continued support of Westmont Christian Church. We value you and your service to God and our church!



2023

January Board Meeting



January 17, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

In-Person (library) & Zoom

Board Members, please email your monthly report!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Allen Ahern 03
 Pat McClellan 07
 Austin Ahern 10
 Jimmy Dirks 15
 Dalton Anderson 16
 John Klein Jr. 16
 Joe Warren 20
 Max Sanchez 20
 Katie Hargrove 23
 Jan d'Orsay 23
 Bettye Griggs 25
 Meredith Wise 26
 Joshua Shaw 28

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Sue Hackler 27



Women of Westmont Luncheon

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 - 11:45 a.m.

South Plains Food Bank
 5605 M.L.K. Jr Blvd
 Lubbock, Texas 79404

RSVP with Jill Watts (806.777.3462)

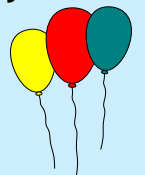


Chancel Choir Party

Chancel Choir New Year's Party

January 11, 2023 - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Paul & Jodi Blanton's Home
 1135 W Lubbock Street in Slaton, TX



Childcare with Pizza Supper at Westmont
 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Please RSVP with Dean Roy



Funeral Service for Liz Hood

Westmont Christian Church

Saturday, January 7, 2023

2:00 p.m.

Pastor Jarid McCool, officiating

*"And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back and take you to be
with me that you also may be
where I am." John 14:3*



Back on Regular Schedule



All ministry activities and events will return to their regular schedules on Sunday, January 8, 2023. The only exception is our Wednesday evening kick-off for the new year. Wednesdays@Westmont will resume on January 18, 2023.

We look forward to a prosperous and blessed new year as we serve and celebrate our Heavenly Father! May God bless us. May God bless Westmont!



Men of Westmont Luncheon

January 21, 2023 - 12:00 p.m.

Orlando's Italian Restaurant
6951 Indiana Avenue





Memorial Service for Rus Moore

Westmont Christian Church

Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Pastor Jarid McCool, officiating

Our Westmont Family,

Juliana and I are tremendously blessed and encouraged by the generous love offering given to our family by the members of Westmont during the Advent and Christmas Seasons. This annual gift comes to us from the hearts of such loving and caring individuals. We value and appreciate the sacrificial gifts that were offered so that we might receive such a supportive and heart-felt present.

We are so very fortunate to have the privilege to worship and minister alongside you, and we are grateful for the opportunity to do so. Gestures made by this wonderful congregation touch and influence people of our own congregation and those in our community on a daily basis. Likewise, you honor and strengthen the Roy family with each gathering and interaction. We are truly blessed.

Thank you for remembering us during this Holy Season, and may God use us all to glorify Himself as we venture into a bright new year of service to Him!

Sincerely,

Rev. Dean & Juliana Roy





During the Advent & Christmas seasons, beautiful poinsettias adorned the chancel of our sanctuary. Thank you all for donating these beautiful flowers in Honor or in Memory of your precious loved ones.

Paul & Jodi Blanton

Frances Blanton & Paula Frederickson

Canzada Bray

David Bray

Jimmy & Gayla Dirks

To the Glory of God

Michelle Fox

Ann & Mack Duran

Neta Hansen

Our Westmont Family

Jessica Johnson

The Chancel Choir

Jan Keene

Bob & Greg Keene & Laura Barto

Anne Klein

John Klein

Cynthia McKenney

David, Carolyn & Richard Bilyea

Scott & Su Miller

Virginia Miller & Ruth Cate Wentworth

Cheryl Moore

Jeanine Reynolds

Joel & Christy Robinett

Paula Frederickson & Bob Siltman

Romo Family

Nicole Sanchez

Jeffery Dailey

Nicole Satchell

Ben & Nelda Marlar

Ja'net Speich

Our deceased parents

Cheryl Steelman

Belle Torres

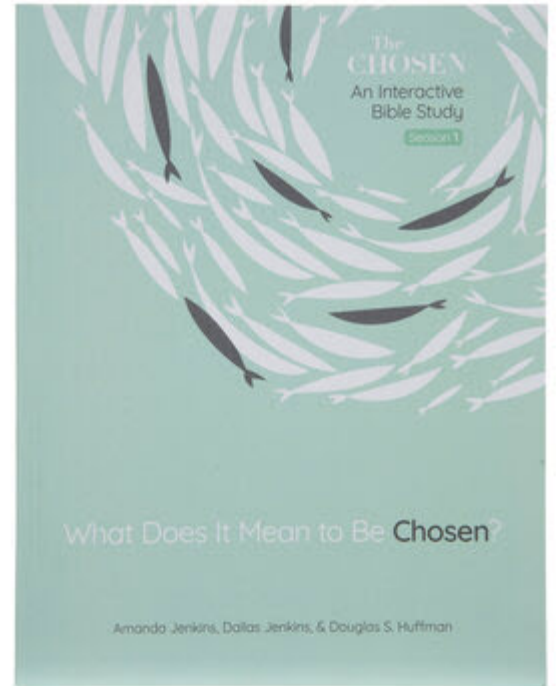
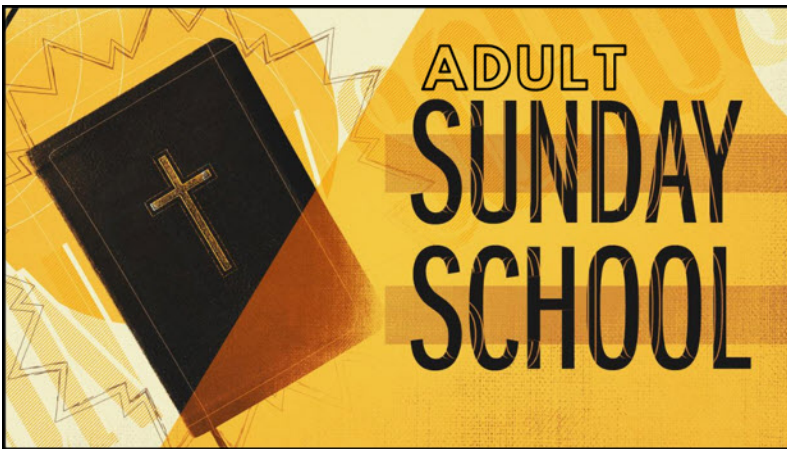
David Torres, David K. Torres, Chuck Thompson

Roger & Viki Wylly

Our Children & Grandchildren



NEW!



IT'S COMING AND IT'S HERE! WE ARE OFFERING A "BRAND NEW" SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BEGINNING SUNDAY MORNING, 01/22/2023 at 9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. This class is open to all men, women, seniors, college-age, couples, etc...

OUR FIRST STUDY WILL BE "THE CHOSEN", SEASON 1. IT'S A BIBLE STUDY/MEDIA VIEWING CURRICULUM FROM DALLAS & AMANDA JENKINS RELEASED FROM DAVID C. COOK PUBLISHING. **"Discover what it means when Jesus chooses YOU!"**

Each person's Interactive Bible Study Guide is \$5.50. The study guide works in tandem with each of the eight Season 1 episodes of "The Chosen," and it is also an in-depth study to discover more of Jesus through the culture in which He lived and those He knew and healed. Group discussion is a big part of class. There will be four facilitators directing the class, one each week. If you have not heard, "The Chosen," Season 1, 2 & 3 is a very popular television series.

"We get a deeper look at Isaiah 43 and its fulfillment in Jesus and the lives of His followers (including us!) with script excerpts, quotes, and illustrations from the show and guiding questions for groups and individuals."

"What does it actually mean to be Chosen? To answer that question, we're going Old school-Testament that is - which leads us back to the New. Which always leads us directly to Jesus."

Please contact Neta Hansen in the church office if you would be interested in attending this Bible Study Class. More information will be forthcoming.

Tel: 806-795-2555 or 806-790-7115



a Sweet
Baby Girl

—Lynnlee Nollaik Eve—

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER HONORING

Bethany & Jarid McCool

SUNDAY, 8TH JANUARY 2023 AT 2PM
WESTMONT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
4808 UTICA AVENUE, LUBBOCK, TX

Registered at Amazon: shorturl.at/nuvFW
or Target/Walmart Giftcards



Concerns: Gwen Jordan – Carillon House 01/01

Yoaka Chefor – Family member, going through a tough separation 01/01

Dave Kraus – He was moved to Crown Point and plans are to move home Wednesday, January 3rd. 12/11

Neta Hansen – Cousin, Karla Brown medical 12/11

Terri Ralston – Cousin, medical 12/11

Sheila Jones – Continued prayers for her brother. He is getting better. 12/11

Terry Anglin – Son, Damon Anglin, medical 11/27

Anne Klein – Friend Mary, healing, David Hellmann transplant & peace for the family of God & the world 12/31

Continued Concern: Jill Watts' Cousin, Debra Thomas, Terry Anglin, David Vartak, Nathan Kraus, Roger Reynolds, Jan Fry, Rus Moore, Ron McClellan, Sheila Jones - Continued prayers for our family, Country, and our schools. DR Congo Outreach

Praise: Congratulations to the McCool Family! Little girl Lynnlee Nollaik Eve McCool was born on December 24 at 2:17 p.m. weighing in at 6 pounds & 6 ounces and 19 ¼ inches long. She is a beauty!

Thank you Dean & choir for a beautiful Church Cantata, thank you Jan d'Orsay and helper's for a delicious Brunch 12/22/2022 & great job to the kids, Christy Robinett and all helpers for a great Nativity Christmas performance. Glory to God.

Military: Lt. Col., Todd Anderson, M.D.; David & Ja'net Speich, 2 Nephews; PFC Kalem Lopez, son to Chris Lopez is stationed in Fort Bragg, North Carolina.


Sympathy: Liz Hood passed away 12/28. She has been living with her daughter, Caron, in Houston. Her service will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 8th at Westmont.

Rus Moore passed away Friday, 12/30 at Brookdale Monterey. The memorial service will be on January 14 at Westmont at 2:00 p.m.

(Please keep both of these families in your continued prayers. We will truly miss these two.)

Open your  to our loving Lord today!

<u>WORSHIP SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
December 04	72
December 11	81
December 18	72
December 24	77
December 25	33
December Average	67



Special Meeting Night!

Tuesday, January 10, 2023
6:30 p.m.
Church Library

We will be welcoming our new and returning elders to our meeting!

Expressing God's Love

Inspiring God's People

Expanding God's Kingdom

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Jarid McCool, Senior Minister
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Rev. Dean Roy, Associate Minister-Administration & Music
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Neta Hansen, Interim Ministry Assistant
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Jessica Johnson, Custodian
Jessica.camp@rocketmail.com

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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