

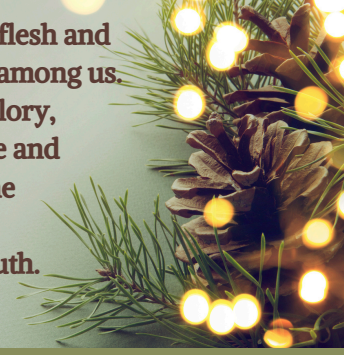


WEST ARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Making disciples for Jesus who are eager to serve others

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14



December 15, 2024

WELCOME!



We're so glad you're with us!

MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

Please let us know you're here by going to WestArk.org/hello, scanning the code, or completing a card on the back of the pew and leaving it in a basket at the coffee counter.

ALSO AVAILABLE:

- Communion (at entrances to auditorium)
- Nursery/Nursing Room
- Contribution baskets (at coffee counter)
- Fun Pew Pouches (check-out for young children at entrance to auditorium)
- Worship hearing assist device (room in back of auditorium)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Leader - Brent Evans

Every Praise

WELCOME & PRAYER

Rejoice

How Great Is Our God/How Great Thou Art

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

He Lives

COMMUNION MEDITATION & PRAYER

COINS FOR CHRIST

Magnificat

SERMON

Leaning On the Everlasting Arms

Farther Along

SHEPHERD'S PRAYER

NURSERY ROTATION - Week 3

The poinsettias in the auditorium are in memory or honor of:

In Memory of:

- Emma Adams (Jeff & Marcia Tomlin)
- Ron Belote (Debbie Belote)
- Robert & Erma Beshears (Anonymous)
- Jeff Brown (Donna Brown)
- Larry & Melinda Brinkley (Kerry Jenkins Family)
- Georgia Burns (Anonymous)
- David Carson (Robert & Elise Thilsted, Donna Carson, Chancey & Lauren Smith)
- Eleanor Beneux Casey (Robin Pratt-Webber, Rachelle Pratt & Reynda Allen)
- Christian Chambers (Larry & Suzette Todd, Harold & Linda Davis)
- Charley Douglas (Brenda Wewers)
- Earless & Edith Garrett (Larry & Kay Garrett)
- Stan Goddard (Melissa Morgan)
- Lee & Sharon Griner (Kerry Jenkins family)
- Eddie & Carolyn Harrell (Kerry Jenkins family)
- Judy Hill (Brent & Carol Evans)
- Darvin Hutchens (Scott & Staci James)
- Miranda Rae James (Scott & Staci James)
- Sam & Joan Jenkins (Kerry Jenkins family)
- Christina Mitchell (Brent & Carol Evans)
- Debbie Mitchell (Wendall & Anita Fenton)
- Don & Billie Neisler (Lisa Neisler)
- Lana Neumeier (Harold & Linda Davis, Larry & Suzette Todd)
- Jim & Helen Pratt (Robin Pratt-Webber, Rachelle Pratt & Reynda Allen)
- Bonnie Ray (Karen Carter)
- Beth Sanders (Larry & Suzette Todd)
- Merlin & Dorothy Scott (Larry & Kay Garrett)
- Reba Shaddox (Rochelle Brown)
- Phil Smith (Sandy Smith, Clay & Ellen Smith)
- Michael Springer (Rhonda Springer)
- Kathleen Taranto (Jerry & Meg Canfield)
- Don Todd (Linda Davis, Larry & Suzette Todd)
- Sarah Todd (Larry & Suzette Todd)

To Honor:

- Carlene Payne (Harold & Linda Davis)
- Nelda Fowler (Denise Lusby)

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES
9:30AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30AM

WED BIBLE STUDIES
6:30PM

MINISTRY STAFF

- Preaching - Chris Benjamin chris@westark.org
- Care & Connections - Dena Jenkins dena@westark.org
- Youth & Family - Joseph Harrell joseph@westark.org
- Campus - Cade Richards cade@westark.org

GIVING

Dec 8 Contribution - \$13,661.30
2024 Average - \$33,530.30

WAYS TO GIVE:

- Click [here](#) for online giving.
- Text "Westark" to (833) 371-5159
- Mail check to:
900 North Waldron Road
Fort Smith, AR 72903

Happy Birthday!

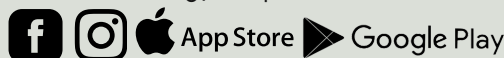
DECEMBER

- 18 William Rye
- 20 Darrell Moses
- 19 Sherry Baxter
- Ken Smith



WHERE'S WESTARK

- WIFI password: Godissogood!
- westark.org
- office@westark.org
- 479.452.1240
- Studies/groups: westark.org/connections
- Way to serve: westark.org/serve
- Elder Emails: westark.org/shepherds



CAMPUS

KIDS

HEALING

HOPE

This WEEK at WESTARK - Dec 15 though Dec 21

- **Sunday:** Bible classes; Bible Book Club (5PM - Room 100);
- **Monday:** Quilting Group (9AM); Celebrate Recovery (6PM)
- **Tuesday:** Men's Class - 9AM; Ladies' WinGS class - 9:30AM
- **Wednesday:** Bible Classes - 6:30PM
- **Thursday:** Food Patrol- 10AM; Pickleball - 1:30PM (Gym)
- **Saturday:** Hope Park - 11:30AM

Contact dena@westark.org for more info and see calendar at westark.org/calendar

Introducing our newest brothers in Christ...

Nicholas Hamilton

Baptized

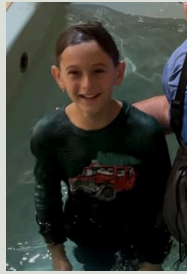
December 8, 2024

Carl Williams

Baptized

December 11, 2024

Rejoice!



MISSIONS CONTRIBUTION UPDATE

The missions committee greatly appreciates the congregation's generosity towards the missions efforts in which the congregation participates.

Our 2025 goal of \$243,688 has been fully met!

Thank you!

Ladies Night

Finger foods and Ornament exchange on Tuesday, December 17th at 6:00pm at the home of Coleen Shirley.

Please text or call Coleen Shirley at 479-806-4168 to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Let her know if you want to carpool/caravan from the church parking lot.

6021 Uniontown Hwy, Van Buren

MOCS BREAKFAST



Sunday, December 22nd, during Bible class (9:30AM) MOCS (Mothers of College Students) is hosting a breakfast in the Annex classroom for post-youth group young adults (LIFT class, LIONS for Christ, early career, or home from college students).

SPRING BREAK MISSION TRIP

Join our interest list!

Guatemala



During the week of March 24, 2025

Small Groups Are Forming NOW!

Get more info with any of the following:

- westark.org/smallgroups to get more information and complete a general interest form or use the code
- westark.org/findagroup has information about each small group and a link to get connected with the leader(s) of a group.
- Printed cards with each group's information are available at the coffee counter.



Prayer List

- Ralph Smith is recovering at home and is doing well after getting his pacemaker. Your continued prayers are appreciated.
- Carlene Payne's cancer has returned. She will begin radiation treatments this week which will conclude December 23. Your continued prayers are appreciated.
- Larry Roper's doctor reported that his knee looks better than expected and there are no signs of infection. Let's praise our Father!
- Praise! Mabel Coleman was able to be back with us Sunday and is grateful for the cards and prayers following her knee surgery.
- Lowell and Katrina Efurud ask for good flights and a safe return as they travel to Maryland this week.
- Nelda Fowler's son, Gene Williams, is having heart problems and fluid on his lungs. Please pray for healing.
- Karen Benjamin's dad, Jack Richardson, continues to battle shingles. Please pray for relief and for healing.
- Janet Jackson's grandson, Cody Richardson, has a brain tumor and had surgery in Little Rock on Dec 12. Please pray for Cody, his team, and family.
- Claude Benjamin asks for prayers for his wife, Yogeswari, who is nine months pregnant and preparing for delivery. Claude and his father, Jayakar, are from India. They join us weekly online and are helped by mission funds as they reach out to locals in their area.
- Former members Jack and Janice Lowry both need prayer for their health. Jack's brain cancer has returned, and he surgery at MD Anderson. Janice is home now after being hospitalized in Little Rock with abdominal issues. Your prayers for each of them are appreciated.
- Our love and sympathy to:
 - The family of Eugene Puckett who passed away December 7. Your prayers for his family are appreciated. You can see the obituary [here](#).
 - Fran and Moorea Wade in the passing of their daughter-in-law/mother, Susan Wade Sharum, on December 4. You can see the obituary [here](#).
 - Valerie Johnson and family in the loss of her mother, Helen. There will be a celebration of life service in January. We will share those details when they become available.

Continued Prayers

- David Beneux
- Ann Cook
- Bob Faries
- Rusty Howard
- Carlene Payne
- Jack Richardson
- Carolyn Smith
- Ellen Smith
- Merle & Mary Thomas
- David Wall

WORSHIP

SERVE

GROW

GIVE