

We're so glad you're here today!

Is this your first time here? Welcome! Stop by the Info Spot before or after the service. We'd love to meet you, answer any questions you have, and give you some helpful information. For kids and students, we offer great programs specially tailored to their ages. The Westwood Kids team is happy to help you get them connected. For more info on the great things happening here, check out westwoodcc.org.

Communion

Today we will experience communion. We invite everyone who is a follower of Jesus to participate. You do not need to be a member of Westwood Community Church. The bread and cup will be passed to you as you are seated. Hold each element until everyone has been served. We will eat and drink together. Gluten-free bread is available at the usher station in the back.

Are the holidays hard for you?

Surviving the Holidays is for those grieving the loss of a loved one. You'll learn how to deal with the many emotions you may face during the holidays, get helpful tips for surviving social events and discover hope for your future. Monday, November 19, 7:00-8:30pm, Chanhassen Campus

What's Better than Brunch?

Being a part of community here at Westwood! Now is a great time to personally invite someone you know to services at Westwood. Invites available at the Info Spot. If you know anyone in the Bloomington/Edina area, Westwood Bush Lake is a great option! It opens Sunday, November 25.



Worship



Belong



Serve



Go

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ²Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:1-2

Big Idea: Worship is the _____ of our discipleship journey.

- Worship is our response to our _____ God and his _____ acts.
- Worship is when our _____ values become _____ visible.
- Worship God by doing the right _____ at the right _____ all the time.

In 24 hours, I can worship God by – _____.

Bible Reading Plan

Join us in reading the Bible together. The Bible Reading Plan is a way to incorporate reading the Bible into your week. These verses are chosen by our staff and designed to complement the Sunday message.

You can find it on our app or at westwoodcc.org/readingplan

- Romans 12
- John 4:1-45
- Matthew 15:1-20
- Colossians 3:12-17; 23-24
- 1 Peter 2:1-12

Pathways



Pathways #6 Worship as a Lifestyle: Group Questions November 4, 2018

1. When you think of the term worship, what typically comes to mind?
2. **Read Romans 12:1-2.**
3. One of the things mentioned in the sermon is “whenever you come across a therefore, you must stop and ask, what’s it there for?” Paul uses a therefore to connect what happened in chapters 1-11 with chapters 12-16. Chapters 1-11 speak of the good news of Christianity, the mercy of God on display.
 - a. If someone were to ask you, “what is the Gospel?” how would you respond?
 - b. For help, read in order: Romans 3:10, Romans 3:23-24, Romans 5:6-9, Romans 6:22-23, Romans 12:1-2.
 - c. What connection do you see between these verses? How do they build on one another?
4. We said that the power of worship is found in that worship is our response to our merciful God and His merciful acts. Why is God’s mercy so foundational to our Christian faith?
5. One of the points made was when we take a bigger view of our sin and brokenness, we will take a bigger view of God’s grace and mercy. When we take a bigger view of God’s mercy and grace our hearts will naturally swell for worship. When have you experienced something like this in your life?
6. **Reread Romans 12:2.** We said that the process of worship is when our internal values become externally visible. Paul uses the phrases “do not be *conformed* to this age but be *transformed*.” How would you differentiate between these two words, conform and transform?
7. The image used in the message was that of a cafeteria tray and a chicken pot pie. Often, our lives resemble a cafeteria tray, we have different compartments that hold different things. If we aren’t careful, this is how our faith journey will look too—we’ll have Sunday compartmentalized for faith, Monday for work, Tuesday for hobbies, so on and so forth. However, we see that a life of worship is more like pot pie, everything is mixed and blended together.
 - a. If you were to characterize your faith journey now, would you say it resembles more of a cafeteria tray or a pot pie?
 - b. What is the problem with having our faith compartmentalized? What does it do to us physically and emotionally?
8. We ultimately said that we can worship God by doing the right thing at the right time all the time.
 - a. Why is it important to stay connected to God’s mercy when doing the right thing at the right time all the time?
 - b. At the bottom of the teaching notes was the question, “in the next 24 hours, I can worship God by _____.” How did you fill in this blank?
 - c. How have you worshipped God as a lifestyle in the last 24 hours?
 - d. How do you plan on worshipping God as a lifestyle in the next 24 hours?