

BEAUTIFUL ORTHODOXY BIBLE READING PLAN

Join our community as we read the Word together. Each week you'll find readings here that correspond to our message series. If you'd like a bookmark with six weeks of readings, visit the Info Spot or go to westwoodcc.org/readingplan

NOVEMBER 12-18

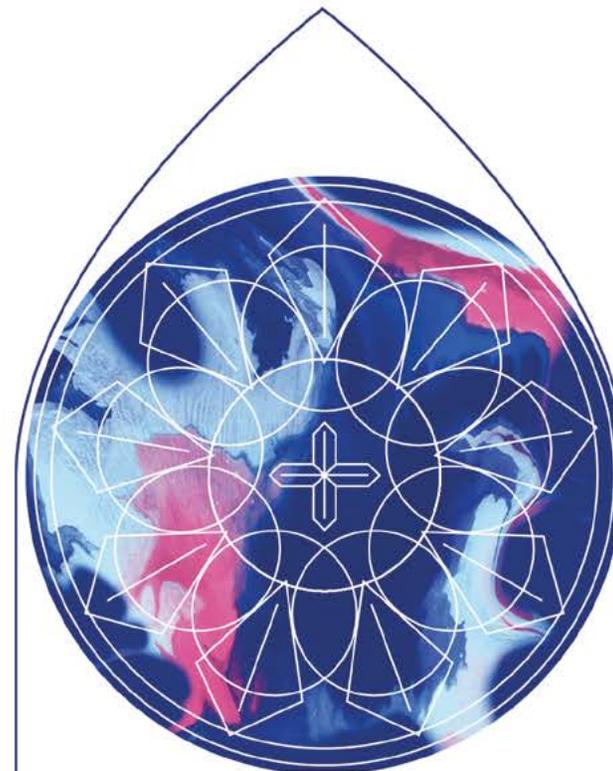
What is the church?

- Matthew 28:16-20
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-26
- Acts 2:42-47
- Hebrews 10:19-25
- Acts 4:23-31
- Matthew 18:19-20

NOVEMBER 19-25

What will happen when Christ returns?

- Mark 13:26-31
- Philippians 3:17-21
- Matthew 24:26-44
- Revelation 22:12-13
- Titus 2:11-14
- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11



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We give out of a heart of gratitude for all that God has given to us. At Westwood, we want to make it as convenient as possible for you to support our ministries. You can give securely online through our website, use the giving kiosks located by the Info Spots, use our text to give option by texting "westwoodchn" or "westwoodmtk" to 77977 or give during the worship services.

Stock or Mutual Funds:

If you are considering a year-end gift of stock or mutual funds to support the ministries of Westwood, please note that these transactions can take more than 30 days to process. You will find helpful instructions at westwoodcc.org/give

If you have any questions contact our Accounting Manager, Liz Hetherington, at 952.224.7374.

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WELCOME TO WESTWOOD!

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE? SO GLAD YOU CAME!

Welcome to Westwood! If you are unfamiliar with the flow of our service, here's the scoop: we begin with a few worship songs. The lyrics are found on the big screens. The songs are followed by a couple announcements, a time of prayer and offering. You'll find teaching notes on the right side of the program so you can follow along during the message. We typically conclude our time by singing together.



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 handy information. For kids and students, we offer great programs specially tailored to their ages. Our Westwood Kids desk would be glad to help you. Come, let's give our love to God, who first loved us.

NEED PRAYER? If you'd like prayer for anything on your heart, please come to the front following the service. Prayer Team members would love to pray for you.



WESTWOOD'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Start the holiday season with our annual Sounds of Christmas concert. The Westwood Choir, Orchestra and Kids Choir will be joined by special guest artists Andrew Greer & Cindy Morgan. Friday, December 8 at 7:00pm or Saturday, December 9 at 4:00 & 7:00pm at Chanhassen. Tickets available online.

CAMPUS EVENTS

For campus-specific events, small groups and other ways to connect, visit westwoodcc.org



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Maybe it isn't the most wonderful time of the year for you. Surviving the Holidays is a hope-filled gathering for those who are grieving this holiday season. You'll learn how to deal with the emotions you'll face during the holidays, how to handle traditions and helpful tips for navigating social events. Monday, November 20, 7:00–8:30pm, Chanhassen. Register online.

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11.12.2017 • JOEL K. JOHNSON
WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

Definition of Church: The people of God

- The universal church Ephesians 1:22,23; 4:4
- The local church Acts 11:22

What's the minimum of what makes a church a church?

1. We are _____ into the family of God through faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord. John 1:12,13
2. We _____ people in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19
3. We meet _____ together to _____ God authentically. Hebrews 10:25; Ephesians 1:6,12,14
4. We _____ spiritually by _____ the Word of God. 1 Peter 1:23
5. We celebrate the _____. Luke 22:19
6. We appoint _____ to guide and equip us for ministry. Titus 1; Ephesians 4:1,12

What makes a maximum local church?

- Our ultimate goal: to _____ God
- Question: What does that life look like? Answer: _____ Matthew 5:16

Adoption: a bold good deed

Beautiful Orthodoxy: *Knowing What You Believe Affects How You Live* #10
What is the Church?

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Were you raised in the church? If so, describe your church experience as a child. Pastor Joel talked about Christians having a low view or a high view of church. Describe what that means to you.
2. What is the universal church as compared to the local church? What attitudes do you hear expressed about the church? Why does God want us to participate in a local church?
3. Pastor Joel identified six 'minimum' marks of what makes a church a church. What would you add? Why is it important to know the minimum marks?
#1 We are adopted into the family of God through faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord
John 1:12,13
#2 We baptize people in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19
#3 We meet regularly together to worship God authentically Hebrews 10:24-25
#4 We grow spiritually by teaching the Word of God I Peter 1:23
#5 We celebrate the Lord's Supper Luke 22:19
#6 We appoint leaders to guide and equip us for ministry Ephesians 4:11-12
4. Read Matthew 5:16 and Ephesians 2:8-10. What is a maximum church? What do good works do? What do we need to guard our hearts from when doing good works?
5. Sunday, November 12 is adoption Sunday. What does God say about our adoption into His family and how might this relate to our adopting children into our families? Will you pray for families who have adopted and pray for more to adopt?