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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 information. For kids and students, we offer great programs specially tailored to their ages. The team at the Westwood Kids desk is happy to help you get them connected. For more info on the great things happening here, check out westwoodcc.org.

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Join us for the Membership Seminar. You will learn about our values, mission and beliefs and get all your questions answered from leaders and staff. Register online.
Wednesdays, August 8 and 15, 7:00–9:00pm, Chanhassen Campus



WESTWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH

TEAMNIGHT

Are you a volunteer? Are you interested in learning more about volunteering? Team Night is for you! Join us for worship and encouragement. Register online.

Chanhassen: Monday, August 13, 6:30-8:00pm

Minnetonka: Wednesday, August 15, 6:30pm–8:00pm

Luke 18:1–8 (NIV)

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' ⁴"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Tireless Trust – 5 Kingdom Principles

1. Keep _____
2. _____ is _____.
3. _____ is _____ in this world.
4. The _____ is _____.
- 5.) Persist in _____

How does this story stir you?

In what ways does it shape your personal journey?

Share your answers with us on Westwood's social media!

Tell Me A Story ♦ July 22, 2018 ♦ Brian Suter

TIRELESS TRUST: THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

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 pastors and designed to complement the Sunday message.

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

- Luke 18:1-8
- 2 Peter 3:8-9
- Isaiah 30:18
- Jeremiah 9:23-24
- James 1:12

TELL ME A STORY

Tell Me a Story #5 – Tireless Trust: The Parable of the Persistent Widow
July 22nd, 2018

1. There are two questions at the end of each of these Tell Me a Story Messages: Share your answers to these with each other.
 - a. How does this story stir you?

 - b. How does this story shape how you live out your own story?

If you as a group have not given thought to them – start with 5 minutes to think & answer them, and then share.

2. Read the parable Luke 18:1-8. As you read this parable – what resonates with you. Is there one idea that emerges, and if so what is it?
3. There are 5 kingdom principles that emerge in this story. Talk through each of them and the answers to the questions beneath:

a. Keep praying

The Call is to persist in prayer. For your needs, yes, but to expand your vision of your prayers to include the entirety of the world. How is God nudging you to pray as a result of the message?

b. God is good

Jesus juxtaposes the unjust judge with God – and in so doing, highlights the goodness of God’s character. In what ways did that impact you?

c. Injustice is prevalent in this world

We are not told what the injustice was that the widow was experiencing, but we can assume that it was significant. When you think about the injustice that is present in this world – what bothers you? How might that be a signal for you to pray and to act?

d. The Kingdom is coming

God’s intended fulfillment of the world is for all wrongs to be made right at the return of Christ. He is making all things new. How does that specifically inspire hope in you. In what situations does that impact?

e. Persist in hope filled trust

The call is to persist in a trust that is filled with hope because God is at work and will be at work for the good of the world and those who trust in his name. How specifically can you personally persist in hope-filled trust?

4. What’s one take away you want to try to live into in this next week because of this sermon?