

# MINISTRIES

## KIDS MINISTRIES\*

**KIDCITY DOWNTOWN** Infants - Age 5  
**9 and 10:30am.** Check-in at the Downtown Lobby.

**SPECIAL NEEDS** Infants - Grade 4  
**10:30am.** Check-in at the Downtown Lobby. For kids with special needs or sensory processing concerns.

**KIDCITY UPTOWN** Kindergarten - Grade 4  
**9 and 10:30am.** Upstairs check-in at the Blue Room.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES\* Grades 5 - 12

### Wed Night Youth Group

6:30-8:30pm for Grades 5-7; 7-9pm for Grades 8-12.

### Middle School Bible Study Sundays, 10:30am

Begins Sun, Sept 16. For Grades 5-8. Meets in the Loft.

### MS Fall Retreat Oct 5-7, Trout Lake Camp

Grades 5-8, \$120. Sign up [westwoodstcloud.org/students](http://westwoodstcloud.org/students)

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES 18 - 29 yr olds

**Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm.** Resumes Sept 18 in the Blue Room.

## DASH MINISTRY Our 50s+ Community

### Monthly Lunch Last Thurs of each month, noon.

Meet us at Pizza Ranch in St. Cloud for lunch and fellowship.

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

### Faithful & True, Purity Group Saturdays, 8am

### Men's Discovery Bible Study (DBS)

Meets at Westwood Mondays, 7:30pm or Fridays, 6:30am.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

### Women's Discovery Bible Study (DBS)

Westwood on Thursdays, 7pm; YMCA on Wednesdays, 7pm.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY Fridays, 7-9pm

A recovery ministry based on biblical principles with a goal to let God work His healing power.

## GRIEFSHARE Mondays, 6:15pm

13-week faith-based program to promote healing from the hurt of a lost loved one. Start anytime!

*\*Background checks required for volunteers in kids and student ministries.*

 Learn more about our ministries at [westwoodstcloud.org](http://westwoodstcloud.org)

# MESSAGE NOTES

Go to [YouVersion.com](http://YouVersion.com) on your tablet/phone/device to find today's verses in the New Living Translation. (WiFi: Westwood; PW: westwood6700)

## PRODIGAL GOD

"The story of two kinds of people"

(Key Scripture: Luke 15:1-2; 11-32; For ongoing study: Mark 2; Luke 7; John 3-4; Matthew 21:31; Romans 2:4; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23; Acts 17:22-31; John 17:14-19)

# Westwood Church

## SEPT 16

9am & 10:30am

# WELCOME.

We're glad you're here! Our hope is that you connect with both God and the people around you before you leave today.

## MORE WAYS TO CONNECT:

 Head to our website  
[www.westwoodstcloud.org](http://www.westwoodstcloud.org)

 Email us  
[info@westwoodstcloud.org](mailto:info@westwoodstcloud.org)

 Call us  
(320) 230-6700

 Like us on Facebook  
[facebook.com/westwoodstcloud](https://facebook.com/westwoodstcloud)

 Follow us on Instagram  
[instagram.com/westwoodstcloud](https://instagram.com/westwoodstcloud)

 Schedule a building tour  
email [info@westwoodstcloud.org](mailto:info@westwoodstcloud.org)

# STUDIES AND CLASSES

Sign up by filling out this Connect Card (both sides please) and checking the desired boxes.

## FALL COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

3 weeks starting Sept 23, 5pm.

Childcare available if preregistered.

Yes, I'll need childcare for \_\_\_ kids.

## WOMEN'S FALL STUDIES

Begins week of Oct 2. We have 3 options (Tues PM, Weds PM or Thurs AM). Circle day you'd attend. Childcare possible on Tues if enough interest. Need childcare, how many kids? \_\_\_\_\_

## DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE

Begins Tues, Sept 18, 6:30pm. 9-week money-management course.

## DISCOVERY CLASSES

### Discover Westwood

Sun, Oct 14, 10:30am. Learn more about our mission and vision at Westwood.

### Equip

Sun, Oct 21, 10:30am. Discover the God-given gifts you have and how to use them.

Perf and tear off. Place in offering or basket in back of Auditorium.



PRAYER REQUESTS / NOTES TO WESTWOOD

To be confidential? Yes / No

# CONNECT CARD

Sept 16, 2018

Fill out this card to update your information with us and drop it into the offering basket, or the baskets located in the back of the Auditorium. If you're new here, fill out and bring to the Connection Pointe for a free gift.

Name(s)

Address

City

State Zip

Phone

Cell Provider (so we can text you occasionally about important events/news)

Email(s)

Birthday (mm/dd/yyyy)

Please list names, birthdays & grades of any children in your household:

### Check all that apply:

- This is my 1st time attending.
- This is my 2nd+ time attending.
- I've decided to make Westwood my church home.
- I'd like more info on **baptism on Oct 7**.

I'd like for Westwood to know about a hospitalization/birth/upcoming surgery/etc. \_\_\_\_\_

I have a prayer request (write on the back of this card)  
Is prayer confidential? Yes / No.



### NEWCOMER BRUNCH

TODAY, 10:30am. Are you new to Westwood? We'd love to share a meal with you in the Barn. Just pop in and join staff and a few Westwood attenders for a light brunch and a chance to meet some new people.

### DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE

Begins Tues, Sept 18, 6:30pm. 9-week money-management course to learn the basics of budgeting, paying off debt, and planning for the future.

### FALL COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

3 weeks starting Sept 23, 5pm. Each night will begin with a family dinner and then a short study about using your gifts to live a life of greater impact will follow. Childcare available if preregistered.

### WOMEN'S FALL STUDY

Begins week of Oct 2. We have 3 options (Tues PM, Weds PM or Thurs AM). With this eight-week study of 2 Corinthians through Kelly Minter's "All Things New," you will discover how God can use you no matter your cultural setting. Stop by our table in the Commons to learn more about this study and the upcoming Thrive event at the Convention Center.

### DISCOVERY CLASSES

Discover Class, Sun, Oct 14, 10:30am. We share the story of our church, our values, our doctrinal essentials and our mission. Step one of membership.

Equip Class, Sun, Oct 21, 10:30am. Discover your spiritual gifts & how God designed you to serve best.

➔ To see more events, visit [The Grove: westwoodstcloud.ccbchurch.com](http://TheGrove.westwoodstcloud.ccbchurch.com)

Are you listening? Did you hear what I said? These are often the questions parents ask their children, but through the years we have learned to ask these questions

Do you have someone to speak truth and God's love into your life? If not, we encourage you to sign up and show up for the Community Bible study coming up in September. If that time

## DON'T GET LOST IN A CROWD

BY IRV & MARY KUCH, WESTWOOD ATTENDERS

to ourselves and each other as adults. Am I listening for God's voice, which is often just a whisper? Am I hearing and responding to God's prompting in my life? John 10:27 says: My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow me."

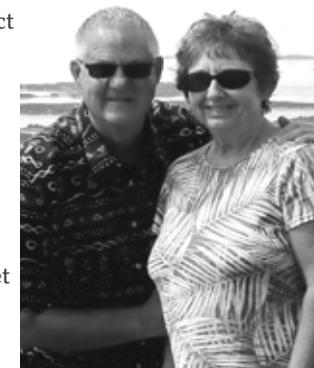
We have found that God often speaks to us through other believers. Meeting with Christ-followers to look at God's word together brings a real energy to help make sense of everyday life. Just having a small group to talk with, share with, play with and encourage each other lightens the burdens that can weigh us down.

How long have you been coming to Westwood? How many people do you know by name? It is very easy to get lost in the crowd. It is so easy to get in and out of church without even being noticed. Getting to know others personally happens in small groups.

doesn't work for you, reach out to the church office or put your name on the connection card of the weekly bulletin expressing interest. One of the pastors or staff will get you connected with a group that will work for your schedule.

We pray you listen for God's voice, which may be a whisper, and that you will respond to experience a transformation in your relationship with Him and other Jesus followers.

Use your Connect Card to sign up for a study or group. Simply drop it in one of our wicker baskets when you're done and we'll help you get connected and grow.



GIVING	August	September	Fiscal Year-End (7/1/17-6/30/18)
Actual Giving	\$68,252	\$24,342	\$172,751
Budget	\$87,120	\$43,560	\$239,580
Difference	-\$18,868	-\$19,218	-\$66,829

### TEXT-TO-GIVE OPTION

Mobile giving is available through PushPay.\* Text "Westwood" to 77977 and follow the instructions.

\*When you send "Westwood" to 77977 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to Westwood Church (1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg & Data rates may apply. For full Terms & Conditions, visit <https://pushpay.com/terms>. For the Privacy Policy, visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP, or STOP to cancel.