



Shine
like the
Stars

Philippians 2:15

How Brightly Are We Shining?

Our key text this week will be more from Paul's writing from Philippians 2:

Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky as you hold firmly to the word of life.

Let's all continue to learn and grow together - all to HIS glory!

Have you missed worship or want to hear a sermon again? All recordings of worship and sermons can be viewed at westark.org/stream.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES 9:30AM / **SUNDAY WORSHIP** 10:30AM / **WED BIBLE STUDIES** 6:30PM

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GIVING

Mar 2 Contribution - \$ 25,216.45
2025 Average - \$ 18,173.00

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

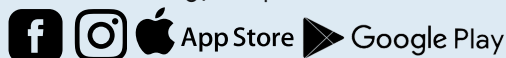
Happy Birthday!

MARCH

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| 9 Melissa Ray | 11 Reid Knight |
| Larry Roper | 12 Alex Hart |
| Ann Selig | Caden Horton |
| 10 Joyce Chadwell | Alex Tomlin |
| Brooklyn Chilton | 13 Rick Nelson |
| Donna Lindgren | 14 Vicki Anderson |
| | Addie Fore |

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



March 9, 2025

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Leader - Brent Evans

Sing Wherever I Go

I've Got the Joy

WELCOME & PRAYER

We Fall Down

King of Kings

Open the Eyes of My Lord

Living Hope

COMMUNION & PRAYER

PRAYER FOR COLLECTION & COINS FOR CHRIST

Abide

SERMON

Refiner's Fire

Sing Wherever I Go

SHEPHERD'S PRAYER

NURSERY ROTATION - Week 2

CAMPUS

KIDS

HEALING

HOPE

This WEEK at WESTARK - Mar 9 through Mar 15

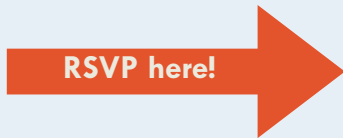
- **Sunday:** Bible classes (9:30AM); Worship (10:30AM); The WAY Annual Meeting (more info below)
- **Monday:** Quilting Group (9AM); Celebrate Recovery (6PM)
- **Tuesday:** Men's Class (9AM); Ladies' WinGS class (9:30AM); Funeral Service for Fran Wade (11:30AM)
- **Wednesday:** Bible Classes - 6:30PM
- **Thursday:** Pickleball (1:30PM-Gym)
- **Saturday:** Hope Park (11:30AM); Douglas Care Group (noon in Annex)

? Contact dena@westark.org



Annual Meeting
Sunday, March 9

Immediately following church (lunch provided)



Join us if you're a student, parent, sponsor, or are interested in learning more about our ministry!

Volunteers Needed

WoW (Widows or Widowers & other singles) typically meets for brunch/ lunch on the first Saturday of every month. The group is generally 8-12 ladies. **Would you be willing to host this group in your home for a meal?** If so, please contact Donna Brown at 479-225-2004 or Shannon Horton at 479-461-9207.



CURE (Compassionate Utilization of REsources) has supported flood victims in Perry County, KY, by sending funds and partnering with Disaster Assistance Mission Church of Christ to provide meals.

To donate, make checks to WestArk Church of Christ with a memo of: CURE Disaster Relief or give online with at westark.org/give and select the fund "CURE - Disaster Relief."



The next Men's Leadership Workshop will be Sunday, March 16th. This workshop is open to men 7th grade and up. Join us after worship in the WAY (WestArk Youth) room upstairs for practical training in preaching, Scripture reading, prayer, singing, and more. Meetings will be held every other Sunday until May 18th. See Daniel Morgan, Shane Bocksnick, Ethan Benjamin, or Lee Hodo for more information.

Ladies Craft Night

Join us for a fun and creative evening decorating and painting Easter-themed wooden bunny door hangers! The event will take place on Thursday, March 20th, at 6:00 PM in the WestArk Annex Classroom. The cost is \$10 per person, and if you have time, feel free to bring a finger food to share. Come enjoy a night of creativity, fellowship, and fun—we can't wait to see you there!



RSVP by using QR code or link <http://westark.org/ladies>

Prayer List

- Wade and Jeff Pressley continue to heal from their surgeries in TX. Please continue to pray for complete healing for each of them and pray for Emily as she will be going back and forth for the next several weeks and for all the family during this difficult time.
- Rick Nelson fell on icy stairs recently and has significant damage to his leg. Thankfully, he did not injure his head, but his leg will completely immobilized for at least one month. Please pray for his healing and that he can avoid surgery.
- Cade Richards continues to battle painful back issues. Please pray that his pain will subside and that long-lasting solutions are found.
- Carolyn Smith received news at MD Anderson that her cancer has returned and that she will need to switch to the last available chemo to her. Please continue to pray for healing and for Carolyn and Ken to experience God's presence in very real and mighty ways.
- Carl Williams' heart surgery will be March 13th. Please continue to lift Carl up in prayer.
- Sam Baker asks for prayers for his friend, Larry Porter, who is in the advanced stages of cancer.
- Praise! Terran Stilwells sister, Candra Cole, had successful chemo treatments and the cancer is gone! She will start radiation for the mass that is remaining.
- Larry Carrol, Karen Benjamin's brother-in-law, is now back home after going back to the Tulsa hospital to treat an infection. Please continue to lift Larry up in your prayers during his recovery.
- Our love and sympathy to:
 - The family of our sister Fran Wade who passed away on February 28. Visitation is at Edwards Funeral Home on Monday, March 10 from 5-7PM. The funeral will be at WestArk on Tuesday, March 11, at 11:30AM with the burial following at National Cemetery at 1PM. There will be a Celebration of Life at WestArk from 1:30 to 4:30PM. Please pray for Moorea (granddaughter) and all the family during this difficult time.
 - Rochelle Brown in the sudden loss of her dad, Curt Shaddox, on March 4. We will share arrangement information when it becomes available. Your prayers for Rochelle, Meredith, Bethany, and all the family during this difficult time.

Continued Prayers

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

WORSHIP

SERVE

GROW

GIVE