

WESTMINSTER ON WEDNESDAY

Join your friends at **WOW! 5:45 - 6:30 pm in Cole Hall**

November 2: Menu: Pizza, bread sticks and carrots.

\$3 children, ages 3-12 yrs; \$4 Adults; \$14 max/family

YOUTH GROUP: GHOST HUNT

Join us this evening for a spooky night with a ghost tour from 6:30-8:00 pm. Meet at Westminster. Adults drivers are needed –don't be afraid to volunteer!



An elite leadership group, the **12 Disciples**, met for the first time last week. Imagine our delight when 14 youth responded to this call for service! Due to the commercial youth shoot this weekend, the Disciples will not be meeting; next

meeting is scheduled for November 6th from 10-10:25am in the Youth Lounge.

The twelve disciples/apostles were ordinary men whom God used in an extraordinary manner. The Holy Spirit transformed the disciples into powerful men of God who turned the world upside down (Acts 17:6). May the same be said of us!

MILITARY MINISTRY PROGRAM

Join us on Wednesday, November 30th for **Service & Family**, an evening for military members, veterans, and their families to find support and connection in the Westminster congregation. Please consider inviting a military friend or family from the community who may also benefit from the evening.

Our first night of programming will include a Service and Family presentation by Danielle Sodergren, Outreach Coordinator for Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska; a dialogue on the spouse's perspective by Danielle Sodergren and Ellen Davis; questions and answers; and, time for attendees to talk about desired future programs and events.

Join us in the Parlor, from 6:30pm – 7:30pm. Come early for the WOW dinner; child care available during the meeting.

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Serving Today:

USHERS: Wayne Beams, Tim Gergen, Faye Moulton, Steve Teget, Diana Wild, Katie Zulkoski, Walker Zulkoski, Sharon Johnson, Lee Darnell

DEACONS: Judy Buss, Jean McIntosh, Bob Peterson, Sally Peterson, Stuart Martens, Sydne Wirrick Knox

GREETERS: Wood/ Wright Challet

HOSTS: Mary Orth/Larry and Judy Ehlers

ACOLYTES: Shelby Lammers/Mitchell Tunnison

CHURCH SACRAMENTS The next communion will be November 20th. Baptism will be December 11th.

Worshippers are Invited to join in a time of hospitality and Christian fellowship before and after 10:30 a.m. worship. Coffee, juice and donut holes are provided in the Garden Room.



**10:30 Worship - Televised locally on cable Channel 13,
Thursday at 12:30 p.m. and Saturday at 1:00 p.m.**

Visit us on the web: www.westminsterlincoln.org



"I am the vine,
you are the branches...."

October 30, 2011

Remember in Prayer

Bereavement: Comfort for Kay Ballard's family on the passing of her father.

Births: Congratulations to Megan and Scott Witt on the birth of Saige Danielle born October 23; Jennifer and Nick Hunke on the birth of Benjamin Nicholas born October 10; Emily & Jimmy Toyne on the birth of Jamison Lee, born October 25; grandparents Nancy & Mark Moser; great grandparents Marge & Lyle Young.

Journeying Together - A New Member Class

Westminster is a church that is spiritually alive, broadly inclusive, and growing in mission. If you are interested in becoming a member of Westminster and would like to attend a new member class, please mark the ritual of friendship pad during worship, speak to one of the pastors or call Marge or Tiffany at 475-6702. Future scheduled new member classes: November 6, 13 and 20; February 5, 12 and 19; April 15, 22 and 29.

MEN'S TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Worship
breakfast is available at 6:40

WESTMINSTER FOOD PANTRY

EVERY WEEK, OUR FOOD PANTRY provides more than 300 food items to our neighbors in need and thus our supplies must be continuously restocked. Please remember to make your contribution of *peanut butter, noodles, pasta, tomato sauce, cereal, canned goods of every type, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, sugar, salt, tuna, toilet tissue, hand soap*, etc. Bring them to the church on your next trip and place them in the bin at the top of the stairs at the east entrance. Or, if it's easier, make a generous monetary contribution clearly marked Food Pantry. And Jesus said, "Come, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food."

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL CASTING AUDITION NOVEMBER 2 6:30 - 7:25

It's not too late to participate in the Christmas Pageant. Be an Evangelist to tell the Good News! The casting audition will be held during the choir hour this Wednesday. The children will share the story on December 18 during the 10:30 worship service. There will be a dress rehearsal on December 17 from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

CRAFT SHOW FOR "C" IS FOR CHRISTMAS

November 27, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Baked goods, knitting, weaving, jewelry, purses, crafts, and art were some of the booths at last year's show. Share your craft with your church family. There are only 2 tables left.

Contact Marge or Masako soon.

ST. NICK SIGN UP BEGINS TODAY

Stop by the table in the garden room today.



Adult Education

9:00 a.m. Sunday Mornings

MISSION: HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE

Join us in Fellowship Hall during October as we examine our call to serve and learn more about local, state, national and international mission work.

Today: We'll celebrate and reflect on Westminster's Day of Discipleship held earlier in the month.

The Birth of Jesus: A Twice Told Tale. November 6 through December 18. Every Christmas, we remember with joy, thanksgiving, and hope... the birth of Jesus. But which story of that birth do we remember? The Gospel of Matthew has its version; and the Gospel of Luke has its version. The same good news, but told differently. Each a gospel in miniature; perhaps neither complete without the other. Join us as Bob Snell leads us through these two compelling, life-giving narratives.

WESTMINSTER BIBLE CLASS

Join the Westminster Bible Class in the Parlor for a study from *The Present Word* and using Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Matthew as references. Today's lesson, "Living As God's People" will be facilitated by Rev. Ellen Davis.

CROSSROADS

Young adults are invited to join the Crossroads class in the Library each Sunday at 9 am. Questions? Contact Sarah Baltensperger or Maggie Stuckey.

Special thank you to Dr. Christopher Marks for being the guest organist today.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SCROOGE

Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* is a much beloved Christmas classic. We all know the story well. Yet it is easily possible for our long familiarity with the broad strokes to obscure the fine details that made it a classic in the first place. What is the gospel Dickens proclaims and how does he proclaim it? Does the church's understanding of gospel even apply? Let's re-read this perennial favorite together and discuss it over four Wednesdays in Advent (Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, 14, & 21). Perhaps it will help us, too, awaken on Christmas morning and "chuckle till we cry." We'll meet in the lounge from 6:30-7:30 p.m., right after WOW's Wednesday night dinner. Copies of the book will be available free of charge at our first meeting. Bob Snell will lead our discussion.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Following up on our sermon series on World Religions, our Adult Ed series on Engaging Islam, and our denomination's commitment "to know and befriend [our] Muslim neighbors," we have continued to meet with members of Lincoln's Muslim community to explore possibilities for our two communities getting together in the interest of hospitality, fostering understanding, developing relationships, building community, and mutual encouragement. For example, we have talked about small groups from our two communities getting together over a period of months for food, fellowship, and conversation; a joint tree-planting project on Arbor Day or Earth Day; hosting a fellowship dinner of Abrahamic traditions that would include Muslims, Jews, and Christians; a discovery tour of Turkey; and more. If you are interested in such efforts, either in terms of planning, leading, or participating, talk to Bob Snell, email him at bob@westminsterlincoln.org, or call him at the church.