News Notes

PRAIRIE READERS - June 20

This year marks the 150th anniversary of a landmark piece of legislation, the Homestead Act. To celebrate, Prairie Readers has selected Willa Cather's *O Pioneers!* as its chosen book for June. In place of the regularly scheduled meeting, the group will travel to Beatrice to tour the Homestead National Monument.

Nebraska has a special place in the history of the Homestead Act. Shortly after Abraham Lincoln signed the bill into law in 1862, Daniel Freeman filed his application for land in Gage County. Freeman is thought to be the first person to take advantage of the opportunity under the new act.

Prairie Readers will meet at Westminster at 12:20 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, and carpool to Beatrice. All are welcome to attend!

CREATIVE ARTS CAMP - July 16-20

Children (kindergarten-5th grade) are invited to 5 days of *serious* fun with art, crafts, drama, music, and movement. All classes will be led by specialists in their fields. **Early registration** (\$35/child; \$80 max/family) ends July 1.

Also needed are: **volunteers** for camp leaders; plastic frozen dinner trays or take-out containers (without dividers); and plastic tumblers or vases (6-10" high, no handles). Contact **Masako@westminsterlincoln.org** with any questions or for more information.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT - June 22

All ladies of all ages are invited to celebrate summer with Ladies' Night Out on Friday, June 22, from 5-7 p.m. at Marz (1140 O Street). We are especially excited to celebrate the end of a great week with all of the Vacation Bible School volunteers. No need to RSVP! Questions? Talk to Maggie Stuckey: magjostu@gmail.com.

Remember in Prayer: Best wishes to Jamie Bruce and Drew Smith, married on June 16; and to Jenna Wiggins and Barrett Ruud, also married on June 16.

Serving Today:

USHERS: Tim Gergen, Lyle Hamilton, Cathy Hershberger, Greg Hershberger, Sharon Johnson, Brian Lammers, Hunter Maude, Jeff Pearson, Kiann Ridgeway, Robyn Uebele.

DEACONS: Matt Andersen, Karen Olson, Carolyn Harp, Jane Hines, Mary Orth, Ed Plander, Jeanne Plander, .

GREETERS: Dan Schafer and Mary Kay Schoettger.

HOSTS: Rex and Wilma Messersmith and Larry and Julia Ehlers.

ACOLYTES: Kaylee Eigsti and Shelby Lammers.

Experience 10:30 Worship televised on local cable Channel 13: 12:30 p.m. Thursdays and 1 p.m. Saturdays.

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

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER!

If you are interested in becoming a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, please contact **Marge@westminsterlincoln.org**. The next new member class/lunch will be held September 30.

VISIT AFTER WORSHIP

You are invited to a time of hospitality and fellowship in the **Garden Room** following 10:30 a.m. worship.

LAST CHANCE: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS starts **tomorrow**! Get in your last-minute registrations **(\$30/child)** now. Contact Betsy@westminsterlincoln.org or Tiffany@westminsterlincoln.org.

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member are to be hospitalized or are in need of pastoral care, please **contact the church office at 402-475-6702.** Due to privacy laws, hospitals can not contact us when members are hospitalized.

Adult Education

This Sunday at 9 a.m.:

FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING, PART III

In two previous series, a hearty group of faithful souls joined in the timeless theological quest that seeks to order both authentically as well as intelligibly our words about God, which they did by gathering together on Sunday mornings to read and discuss William Placher's eminently readable *A History of Christian Theology*. In Part I, we made it through Augustine. In Part II, we continued through the Middle Ages. Now in Part III, we will journey from the Reformation into the present. Participation earlier is not a prerequisite for participation now; all are welcome. **Bob Snell** leads discussion in the **Lounge**.

WESTMINSTER BIBLE CLASS

Join us in the **Parlor** for "The Present Word." Today's session: "Celebrate Jubilee," Leviticus 25:8-12, 25, 35-36; led by **Rev. Ellen Davis**.

CROSSROADS

Crossroads is an Adult Education class specifically designed for young adults; discussions focus on relating the Scriptures to modern life. Join us in the **Library**!

TREASURES IN OUR PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL

In this seminar, we will take a closer look at three types of hymns we've sung throughout the years, but maybe haven't really considered their meanings and origins. After lecture and discussion by **Boyd and Masako Bacon** in **Fellowship Hall**, the group will adjourn to the **Sanctuary** and transform into the summer choir for 10:30 a.m. worship service. You need not be a choir member to participate; all are welcome. This week's topic: An Original Text by Brian Wren - "I Come with Joy, a Child of God."

This Monday at 11 a.m.:

MATTHEW ON MONDAYS

For many months, a dedicated group has faithfully gathered on Monday mornings in the **Lounge** to study Paul's letter to the Christians in Rome. That study concludes in May. On Monday, June 4, we begin a similar study of the Gospel According to Matthew, which might have been the most influential gospel in the early church. Now is the time to get in on the ground floor of this faith-forming adventure. New members are warmly welcomed. Join us at 11 a.m. on Mondays for an hour of "listening for the word of God," led by **Bob Snell**.

This Tuesday at 7 a.m.:

MEN'S TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

All men are invited to join! Come to the **Parlor** each Tuesday morning for food and fellowship at 6:35 a.m. This week, **Rev. Bob Snell** leads Bible study.

GOT A NEWS TIP FOR THE VINE?

Email in your news briefs by **10 a.m. Thursday** for publication in the following Sunday's edition of *The Vine*: rae@westminsterlincoln.org.

Mark Your Calendars!



CLASSIC CAR SHOW - June 24 Westminster's annual Classic Car Show revs into town on Sunday, June 24 at Antelope Park, in conjunction with Presbyterians in the Park. The show will be held in the

parking lot to the south of Auld Pavilion; enter using the South Street entrance from 33rd Street traveling west. This show is open to all classic forms of mechanical transportation: 4-, 3-, or 2-wheeled; cars, trucks, motorcycles, and bicycles; ancient and modern. Any member of the congregation is welcome to participate! For more information, call Michael Gregg (402-423-3236) or Steve Hughes (402-450-2524).

PRESBYTERIANS IN THE PARK - June 24



Worship service at **10:30 a.m.** will move from the Westminster Sanctuary to the **Band Shell at Antelope Park** on Sunday, June 24. Dress casual and bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on - don't forget sunscreen! **Please note**: due to ongoing construction near the park, enter the park at the **South Street entrance**, just west of 33rd Street, or at **Garfied via 27**th **St**; the A St entrance may still be closed.

Following worship, enjoy a potluck lunch at the Auld Recreation Center. Pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, and drinks will be provided (free will offering); **bring your own table service**. If your last name begins with A-J, please bring a dessert to serve 10-12, with a serving spoon. If your last name begins with K-Z, please bring a salad/side dish to serve 10-12, with a serving spoon. With the prevalence of severe food allergies, **please consider bringing a nut-free food item.** Food items containing nuts will be placed on a designated table. Please note if food items are prepared free of common allergens, so they can be enjoyed safely.