

News Notes

SEE BETSY RIDE RAGBRAI

Westminster's own director of Children's Ministries, Betsy Guyer, will participate in RAGBRAI, the annual 7-day bike ride across the state of Iowa, on **July 22-28**. RAGBRAI is the oldest, largest, and longest bicycle touring event in the world. Follow Betsy's blog at betsyonragbrai.wordpress.com for updates!

FRESH START OPEN HOUSE - July 26

Fresh Start, a transitional shelter for homeless women in Lincoln, will hold its annual open house on **Thursday, July 26**, from **4 to 6 p.m. at 6433 Havelock Avenue**. Westminster members are invited to attend. Chat with the board of directors and staff, enjoy light appetizers, tour the facilities, and view photographs from the shelter's 20-year history. The Daisy Thrift Shop will also be open special evening hours this day.

Fresh Start is one of the many agencies attended to by Westminster volunteers during last year's Day of Discipleship activities, and is tentatively planned for this year as well.

JOPLIN MISSION TRIP AND TOOL DRIVE - Aug. 5-11

Join us for another mission trip to Joplin, Mo.! This is your chance to help rebuild homes destroyed by the 2011 tornado. We'll depart on Aug. 5 and return Aug. 11. Tools are also still in short supply in Joplin; volunteers will need all the tools we can deliver. Search your basements and garages for tools you no longer use to donate. For further information, contact **Ken Govaerts at 402.483.1726**.

FOLLOW STEVE IN HIS MODEL T!

Westminster member Steve Hughes is currently journeying from Lincoln to the San Diego, Calif., area and back again in his 1926 Ford Model T. Follow along with his adventures via daily logs posted on his Web site: modelts.rsomuchfun.com.

Remember in Prayer:

Congratulations on the birth of Irene Mae, born June 25 to Julie and Scott Steinhauer; and Brantly Thomas, born June 27 to Ellie and Justin Davies.

Comfort for Ellen Charlton, whose husband, Jack, died July 15.

Serving Today:

USHERS: Theresa Burrage, Tom Champoux, Stacey Graham, Dan Hoffman, Susan Horne, Emily Killham, Owen Killham, Brittney Nelson, Amber Winter.

DEACONS: Ashley Lammers, Shelley Kuzma, Carolyn McCall, Trinity McDonald, Barbara Schliesser, John Paul Wirrick, Bryan Willnerd, Grace Willnerd.

GREETERS: Michael Gregg and Deb Van Dyke-Reis.

HOSTS: Jane Allman and Larry and Judy Ehlers.

ACOLYTES: Emilee Bailey and Taylor Powell.

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

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Preschool Director	Suzanne Schneider, x 103
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*"I am the vine,
you are the branches...."*

VISIT AFTER WORSHIP

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

COMING SOON: GENESIS SUNDAY - Aug. 19

You've got a friend - someone who needs the friends they'll find at Westminster. Think about it, pray about it, and invite them to church with you on Genesis Sunday, **Aug. 19**. Wonderful surprises await!

LAST CALL: WESTMINSTER NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

Remember to log on to westminsterlincoln.org and fill out the important member survey linked under the welcome box. **Today** is your last chance! We need *your* ideas to help us prepare to search for our next associate pastor! The multiple-choice survey is hosted through SurveyMonkey and takes about 10 minutes to complete. Each member is eligible and encouraged to take this survey!

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 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*, led by **Dr. Lloyd "Bud" Tenny**. This week: "A King Acts on a Widow's Behalf," 2 Kings 8:1-6.

CROSSROADS

Crossroads is an Adult Education class specifically designed for young adults. Join us in the **Library**!

This Monday at 11 a.m.:

MATTHEW ON MONDAYS

On Mondays in July, we continue 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 in the Lounge** 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

Come to the **Parlor** for food, fellowship, and education. This week, **Dr. Marilyn Moore**, associate superintendent of Lincoln Public Schools, presents "What Has Changed and What Has Not Changed in 25 Years at LPS."

Fall preview! Sundays at 9 a.m.:

BULLYING: AGE OLD PROBLEM WITH NEW AGE TACTICS

Recent statistics show that 1 in 4 teens is bullied in the United States. We have all read, heard, and maybe even experienced the cruel and devastating fallout of bullying. Maybe you have a child or grandchild who might be at risk for bullying, and you want to learn more about signs, prevention, and tools to help the young people in your life.

Beginning **Sunday, Aug. 26 at 9 a.m.**, Westminster will offer a comprehensive five-week Sunday seminar series, led by **Susan Swearer**, nationally-known expert on bullying and UNL professor of educational psychology. Dr. Swearer, along with UNL psychology graduate students and **Russ Uhing**, director of student services at Lincoln Public Schools, will address the many facets of bullying, shed light on what our young people experience, and what we can do to help them when faced with this troublesome cultural trend.

HELP WANTED: COOKIE BAG DELIVERY

First-time visitors at Westminster receive a special gift bag the week after visiting, full of baked treats and information about Westminster. We are currently seeking additional volunteers to deliver these bags. This job is very easy to do, and only requires one delivery per month! **Email Marge@westminsterlincoln.org** to volunteer.

Mark Your Calendars!

SAVE THE DATE! PARENT/CHILD IDEAS FAIR - Sept. 8

Join us for the Parent/Child Ideas Fair on **Saturday, Sept. 8, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**! The fair includes lunch, a keynote speaker, a Scholastic book fair, and a number of fun and informative workshops for adults, children, and both together. Featured presenters include: Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, "Developing Your Child's Moral Compass"; Betsy Guyer, director of Children's Ministries, "VeggieTown Family Values" (3 workshops with stories, crafts, and games); Chris Pultz, "Social Media Awareness" for parents; and much more! Registration is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY RETURNS!

Westminster is pleased to offer another session of Financial Peace University, beginning **Wednesday, Sept. 5, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** FPU class will meet each week **Wednesdays through Dec. 5 (skip Nov. 21)** to watch a video lesson (led by FPU founder Dave Ramsey) and participate in discussion groups that will change how you think about money.

In this 13-week class, you will learn how to save money, live on a budget, communicate about money, eliminate debt, find bargains, and experience the joy of giving. Families from earlier Westminster FPU classes paid off an average of \$5,550 in debt, put a little more than \$1,000 into savings, and cut up several credit cards. Cost of materials is about \$100 for the entire 13-week seminar.

Contact **Jenny or Jeremy Gegg** at **402.420.9243** for more information.