News Notes

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**.

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.

Coming soon - Library book sale! - Aug. 19

Mark your calendars now! The annual book sale to raise funds for the Westminster library will be held on **Sunday**, **Aug. 19**. As in past years, we will include videos and DVDs, CDs and records, books of all kinds, even jigsaw puzzles and games. Drop off your donations in the library no later than **Wednesday**, **Aug. 15**.

REMEMBER THE WESTMINSTER FOOD PANTRY!

When you shop for yourself, please remember to pick up an extra item or two for the Westminster food pantry! The pantry feeds six families on average *each week*, and hundreds of dollars' worth of food needs to be purchased every month to meet this demand. Canned fruits and vegetables are currently in short supply, but any donations of food, money, and/or boxes with lids are greatly appreciated.

Remember in Prayer: Comfort for Lisa Tally, whose mother Betty died July 22.

Serving Today:

USHERS: Jeanne Cuda, Ben Johnson, Jill Johnson, Dan King, Steve Larson, Mike Rasmussen, Peggy Rasmussen, Bill Roberts, Joan Roberts.

DEACONS: Matt Andersen, Karen Olson, Carolyn Harp, Jane Hines, Mary Orth, Ed Plander, Jeanne Plander. **GREETERS:** Sonia Harford and Kent Jaggers. **HOSTS:** Gwen Hlava and Van and Georgia Duling. **ACOLYTES:** Ella Ford and Mitchell Tunnison.

CHURCH SACRAMENTS: Next communion will be Aug. 5.

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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...."

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!

SUMMER CHOIR - resumes Aug. 5 **A**

Everyone is invited to join, one Sunday at a time. No robes necessary! Rehearsals are held in the **Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m.**, with singing at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

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 **Kent Wolfe**. This week: "Jehoshaphat Makes Judicial Reforms," 2 Chronicles 19:4-11.

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, Westminster member **Don Larson** presents "Korea 1953-1955, A Pictorial View," a series of pictures taken during his tour of Korea. Discussions will also cover the capture of the USS Pueblo and current events in Korea. All men of all ages are invited to join - and bring a friend!

Coming soon! Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.:

Religionless Christianity???

In this year's *Christianity After Religion*, Diana Butler Bass writes, "I believe that the United States is caught up in the throes of a spiritual awakening, a period of sustained religious and political transformation during which our ways of seeing the world, understanding ourselves, and expressing faith are being, to borrow a phrase, 'born again.'' She anticipates the end of the church as we know it, but the birth of "a better way of being connected to God, Jesus, and the world.'' What on earth is she talking about? Let's get together and talk about it, on the first two Wednesdays of WOW, **Aug. 22 and 29.** We will read and discuss the introduction and first chapter of her book. Following the WOW meal, we will meet in the **Lounge** from **6:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Bob Snell** will lead our discussion. Copies of the material are available in the Garden Room or at the reception desk.

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!

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 Oct. 31** 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 9-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 \$90 (based on at least 10 participants) for the entire 9-week seminar.

Contact Jenny or Jeremy Gegg at 402.420.9243 for more information.