

## Westminster on Wednesdays

Join your friends at WOW  
Dinner, fellowship, and more!  
5:45-6:30 p.m. in Cole Hall

*Aug. 22: hamburgers, hot dogs, fries, watermelon,  
salad, ice cream sandwiches  
\$3/children, \$4/adults; \$14 max/family*

### TRANSFORMING CHRISTIANITY

In *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. Pick up copies of the reading material in the Garden Room.

### WOW XL: TRANSFORMING YOUTH

Westminster is pleased to offer a new youth group for grades 6-8 called WOW XL! This group will meet Wednesday nights during WOW from **6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**; meetings will be packed with motivation, music, message, and mayhem. WOW XL begins **Aug. 22**. Wear clothes that can get wet and dirty to start off our year!

### TRANSFORM FELLOWSHIP WITH KNIT N SIT

Join us in the Library from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Learn to knit, work on craft projects, find inspiration for creative expression, and enjoy fellowship. All are welcome to attend!

*Remember in Prayer:* Yvonne Wilson, at BryanLGH-W; and Rae Hamilton, at BryanLGH-E.

*Serving Today:*

**USHERS:** Theresa Burrage, Tom Champoux, Amy Clare, Dan Hoffman, Susan Horne, Emily Killham, Owen Killham, Brittney Nelson, Amber Winter.

**DEACONS:** Scott Colborn, Martha Kingsbury, Marcie Ryan, Carolyn Schainost, Karen Stevens, Claire Titus, Herb Schliesser, Willie Shafer.

**GREETERS:** Judy White and Shalla Young.

**HOSTS:** Ginny Rohrbaugh and Bob and Jean Carol Murphy.

**ACOLYTES:** Ellie Nelson and Kaylee Eigsti.

**CHURCH SACRAMENTS:** Next communion will be Sept. 2.



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

### Connect with Westminster online

- **Web:** [www.westminsterlincoln.org](http://www.westminsterlincoln.org)
- **Facebook:** WPCLincoln
- **Facebook Groups:** Lincoln Westminster Presbyterian Church
- **Twitter:** @WPCLincoln

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Parish Associate	Reverend Ellen Davis, x 117
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Associate for Community Life & Growth	Tiffany Pfeil, x 104
Director of Children’s Ministries	Betsy Guyer, x 107
Preschool Director	Suzanne Schneider, x 103
Communications Coordinator	Rae Licari, x 101
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August 19, 2012

*“I am the vine,  
you are the branches....”*

### “YOU’VE GOT A FRIEND” AT WESTMINSTER

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today at Westminster. Visitors, please check in at the Guest Tables at the top of the east stairs to receive a “golden ticket” to be our guests for lunch. After worship ends at 11:30 a.m., we invite you to have your photo taken, visit any of the Sunday School classrooms, ask for a tour, view the booths on display in the Garden Room, and enjoy the many games throughout the building.

If you have a small child needing a quiet area, there is a Quiet Room located outside the Sanctuary; the worship service is televised inside the Quiet Room. Members with a rainbow ribbon on their name tags are available to answer questions and assist with finding locations in the church.

### TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE: JOURNEYING TOGETHER

Thinking of joining Westminster? Our next new member class is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 30, following 10:30 a.m. worship. Join us for lunch and a chance to learn about Westminster. Contact [Tiffany@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:Tiffany@westminsterlincoln.org) or [Marge@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:Marge@westminsterlincoln.org) to sign up.

## 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*. We continue our journey in Part III, from the Reformation into the present. Participation earlier is not a prerequisite; all are welcome. **Bob Snell** leads discussion in the **Lounge**.

#### TRANSFORMING FAITH: WESTMINSTER BIBLE CLASS

Join us in the **Parlor** for *The Present Word*, led by **Rev. Ellen Davis**. This week: "God Promised a Righteous Branch," Jeremiah 23:1-6 and 33:14-18.

#### CROSSROADS: TRANSFORMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

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

### Soon on Sundays at 9 a.m.:



#### BULLYING: TRANSFORMING AN OLD PROBLEM WITH NEW TACTICS

We have all read, heard, and maybe even experienced the devastating fallout of bullying. Beginning **Aug. 26**, Westminster will offer a comprehensive five-week seminar series in **Fellowship Hall A**, addressing the many facets of bullying and what can be done to help our young people. **Susan Swearer**, Ph. D, UNL professor of psychology and expert consultant on bullying, kicks off the series with the keynote speech, "How to Develop Resilient, Bully-Free Children."

### This Monday at 11 a.m.:

#### TRANSFORM MONDAYS WITH MATTHEW

On Mondays in August, we continue study of the Gospel According to Matthew, which might have been the most influential gospel in the early church. New members are warmly welcomed. Join us in the **Lounge** for an hour of "listening for the word of God," led by **Bob Snell**.

### This Tuesday at 7 a.m.:

#### TRANSFORM TUESDAYS: MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Come to the **Parlor** for food, fellowship, and education. This week, **Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald** leads Bible study. All men of all ages are invited to join - and bring a friend!

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

#### TRANSFORMING METHODS OF PARENTING: RAISING KIDS IN THE DIGITAL AGE

In this small group book study, *Talking Back to Facebook: The Common Sense Guide to Raising Kids in the Digital Age* by James P. Steyer will offer a framework for group discussions on the effects of digital media on children's development, as well as specific, practical strategies for mediating the impact of media on the lives of children of all ages. Westminster member **Chris Pultz** leads the study on **Wednesdays in Fellowship Hall, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Sept. 5 through Oct. 24**.

#### TRANSFORMATION THROUGH FINANCIAL HEALTH: FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

FPU class will meet each week, beginning **Wednesday, Sept. 5, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**, to watch a video lesson and participate in discussion groups that will change how you think about money. Cost of materials for the 9-week class is \$89 based on at least 10 pre-registered participants. Contact **Jenny or Jeremy Gegg** at **402.420.9243** for more information.

## News Notes

#### TRANSFORM FAMILY WITH 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: a keynote speech on "Transforming Family Traditions" by **Paul Ries**; workshops for adults, children, and both together; a Scholastic book fair; lunch by Raising Cane's (\$4/adults, \$2/children); and more! Registration is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children.

#### TRANSFORMING FRIENDSHIPS

Sign up in the Garden Room today to join a small group study of Lynne Baab's *Friending: Real Relationships in a Virtual World*.

#### TRANSFORM NOVEMBER WITH UGLIES

During WOW evenings in November, explore the dystopian future of Scott Westerfield's *Uglies*, where at age 16, teens don't look forward to their driver's licenses, but instead an operation that will turn them from repellant "uglies" to in-crowd "pretties." Copies of the book will be available at the Adult Ed table on Genesis Sunday for the reduced price of \$5.

#### PW ALL-CIRCLE GATHERING - Aug. 25

All Presbyterian Women Circle members and any Westminster women interested in joining a Circle are invited to attend the All-Circle Gathering brunch on **Saturday, Aug. 25, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.** in the **Lounge**. An introduction will be given by **Rev. Robert Snell** for the 2012-2013 Bible Study, *The General Epistles: 1 & 2 Peter; 1, 2, & 3 John; and Jude*.

#### WESTMINSTER CLUB - Aug. 28

Plan to attend the first fall meeting of Westminster Club on **Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 5:30 p.m.**! Join us for dinner in Cole Hall and "More About Antiques," presented by Jim White. Please bring \$7 and your own table service.

#### TRANSFORMING SMILES! CLASS PICTURE DAY - Sept. 9

Preschoolers through 5<sup>th</sup> graders: remember to bring your smiles on Sept. 9 for Sunday School class picture day!