

## Education on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

### Adult Education - Lounge

*Images of Christmas* - during Advent we will explore key images of the Christmas story.

#### Dec 11 - "The Angels"

Presented by: Steve Larson

#### Dec 18 - "Christmas sans Hallmark"

Presented by: Rev. Shelbourn

Much of what we think is part of the Christmas story is not actually in the narratives in Luke or Matthew, but come from images of medieval art, inventive carols, and greeting card art. Rev. Shelbourn will explore what the infancy narratives actually tell and how Christmas became a holiday.

### Westminster Bible Class - Parlor

December's theme is "The Savior has been Born."

#### Dec 11 - Luke 1:39-56 "The Affirmation of the Promise"

Presented by: Bill North

#### Dec 18 - Luke 1:1-23; 57-66; 2:1-20 "The Forerunner of the Savior; The Savior has been Born"

Presented by: Steve Carveth

### Faith Village:

9:00am and 10:45am - for Advent we will rotate through Art, Computer and Storytelling workshops on The Angels Announce God's Message, as told from Joseph and Mary's perspectives. No class on Dec. 18th.

### Westminster Library

Relax this holiday season with a book from the library. Both kids and adults will enjoy the festive Christmas season with one of Martha's book selections.

This Sunday's worship will be televised on digital Channel 71.13 and regular channel 13 at 12:30 p.m. Thursday and 1 p.m. Saturday. Listen to the current week's sermon on KFOR (1240 AM) Sundays at 10 a.m. or any time online at [www.westminsterlincoln.org](http://www.westminsterlincoln.org).

If you or someone you know has been admitted to the hospital, please contact the church office at (402) 475-6702 to notify our pastors. It's helpful to know the hospital and length of stay, so calls can be made as requested.

### Serving Today:

**Ushers:** Carolyn McCall, Patty Sita, Rock Sita, Rock Sita Jr, Regi Schirmer, Steve Titus, Mark Whitehead, Shalla Young

**Greeters:** Mike Rasmussen and Erika Schafer

**Host:** Gary Haller and Glenna Haller

**Acolytes:** Jacob Tunnison and Rachel Hoffman

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

**December 11, 2016**

### Welcome to Westminster!

We are so glad you are here today! There are refreshments in the Garden Room before and after worship.

### Journeying Together

If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Marge ([marge@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:marge@westminsterlincoln.org)) or mark "Wish to Join" in the Friendship Pad. The New Member Class is scheduled for Sunday, January 22nd and January 29th at 9:00am.

## Westminster Events & News

### NEW DATE - TODAY Senior High - St Nick Shopping & Pizza

From 5:30PM - 8:00PM

Shopko/Valentinos (27th and Highway 2)

\$15.00 (details below)

A suggested donation of \$5-\$10 per youth, but feel free to donate as you are called. We will see how much we have to spend, and then shop as a group for the gifts. Any remaining funds will be donated to the St Nick program. Afterwards, we plan to step next door to Valentinos and enjoy dinner together. So please bring a few extra dollars for food.

### St. Nick Gift Wrapping Party

Tuesday, Dec 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall

dress for comfort, bring a pair of scissors, any extra gift wrap, and boxes. Bring a friend! We have 'lots' of gifts to wrap! Pizza, fellowship and Christmas spirit, enough for everyone!! Questions? Teri Nelson 402-423-0986.

### Sausage, Eggs and Scripture

Sat, Dec 17th at 7:30am

Perkins (121 N 48th St)

Join the 18 men that meet with Rev. Shelbourn for a dynamic Bible study on the letter to the Ephesians. For more information contact Jimmy at 402-475-6702.

### Prairie Readers

Wed, Dec 21st at 1:00pm

This will be our annual Holiday Party. Everyone is welcome to join in the conversation and fellowship.

### Sing "Hallelujah Chorus" Together!

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> during 10:30am worship service

Meet Sunday at 10:15 a.m. for a brief rehearsal, or simply come up during the "Passing the Peace." We will sing as Offertory Anthem. No steps required. Music will be provided.

### Christmas Pageant "Journey to Bethlehem"

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> during 10:30am worship service

Rehearsals: Wednesdays at 6:30-7:25pm

Cherub Choir(age 3-Kindergarten) Rm 210 E

Alleluia! Amen! (Grade 1 - 5) Rm 210

Dress Rehearsal: Sat Dec 14<sup>th</sup> and Dec 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00-11:30am

Pageant Day: Dec 18<sup>th</sup> (10am rehearsal)

### Christmas at Westminster

Christmas Eve (Saturday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>)

3pm Family Service: Ensembles

5pm Traditional Service: Nebraska Brass, Westminster Brass, Alleluia! Amen!, Cherub Choir, Jr. Strings Ensemble

7pm Contemporary Service: The Rising Band

9pm Traditional Service: Nebraska Brass, Westminster Brass, Alleluia! Amen!, Cherub Choir, Jr. Strings Ensemble

Christmas Day (Sunday, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>) and New Year's Day (Sunday, Jan 1st)

10:30am Worship - ONLY

**Per Capita for 2016** is \$38.00 per member.

## WOW! (Westminster on Wednesday)

Join us weekly where you will find great food, education, music, and more!

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> dinner will be:

Pasta Alfredo, Garlic Bread Sticks, Broccoli, Fruit, Salad and Desert

Dinner is served from 5:45 - 6:15 p.m. in Cole Hall  
\$4/children, \$6/adults, \$17 max per family

### WOW XL (6:30 Youth Café)

Youth in grades 6-8 meet weekly during the school year for XL sized fun, activities, and to grow in faith together.

### Stories Become Us (6:30 - 7:30)

Join us as we explore storytelling as a means of sharing our personal stories and our faith journeys. We will share stories of our childhood, adult years, happy times, sad times, faith experiences and favorite Christmas memories. All are welcome.

### Music Rehearsals (6:30)

Westminster Carillon (Adult Handbell Choir, Sanctuary)

Cherub Choir (age 3-Kindergarten, Room 210E)

Alleluia! Amen! Choir (Grade 1-5, Room 210)

Westminster Choir (Adult Choir, 7:30, Sanctuary)