

Adult Education at 9:00 am

Creation Celebration—Is this Eden? No, it's Nebraska!

But we are still responsible to tend and keep it (Genesis 2:15). A cast of involved Nebraskans will share their insights regarding a faithful response to climate change and its impact on the environment. Join us on Sunday mornings in April and May as we seek to understand how we at Westminster can work toward "restoring Eden".

Sunday, April 23 – "The Implications of Climate Change for Nebraska" presented by Lucas Sabalka, Climate Reality Leader.

Sunday, April 30 – "Creating Habitats for Monarch Butterflies and Other Pollinators" presented by Carolyn Butler, Nebraska Wildlife Federation.

Westminster Bible Class —Parlor

Throughout the Lent and Easter season, we are reminded of God's love focused in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

April 23— Romans 5:6-11; 8:31-39 – God's Reconciling Love, led by Steve Carveth.

April 30—John 10:1-15 – God's Preserving Love, led by Steve Carveth.

Faith Village on Sundays— 9:00 and 10:45 am

Children learn how to care for God's creation. Storytelling, art, music & worship and games workshops.

Kindergarten of Eden— 10:45 am

Children are learning that the Bible is a special book about our faith and God's teachings that helps us know how God wants us to live.

This Sunday's worship will be televised on digital Channel 71.13 and regular channel 13 on Thursday at 12:30 pm Saturday at 1 pm. Listen to this week's sermon on KFOR 1240 AM on Sundays at 10 am, and any time online at

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: Penny Ford, Lisa McConnell, Steve McConnell, Christina Nevitt, Noah Nevitt, Larry Peach, Ed Plander and Roger Van Cleave.

Host: Ed & Jeanne Plander

Greeters: Brian Lammers and Sandi Larson.

Acolytes: Henry Cline and Teddie Kirkland.

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Ryan McClain, and Lyudmila Fomina



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

April 23, 2017

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, class will be held in the library at 9 am on May 14.

Lohmen News

Hostamania is a plant sale that enables the Lohmen group to financially host our German visitors. When we take them to mission opportunities, attractions and food events, it's nice to attempt to emulate their generosity. (Ask anyone who has visited Lohmen.) Improve your landscape by thinning and donating, then take home something new. There is usually an impressive selection. Mother's Day, May 14, 9-12.

Westminster Events & News

Church Directory Photos- Additional photo sessions

Friday, May 12 from 2-8 pm and Saturday, May 13 from 10-4 pm. This will allow those who missed their appointment, or those who could not make an appointment for April, to still be in the directory. We need 22 more sittings to qualify for a binder instead of a stapled booklet directory. Call Tracy for an appointment at 475-6702 or signing up at church on April 30 or May 7.

Hostamania Emergency!

Each Mother's Day the Lohmen group hosts a plant sale featuring donated plants from Westminsterites' landscape beds. The early spring is pushing our flora out of the ground at a faster pace and anyone who wishes to contribute plants should get them dug and potted, the sooner the better. Need help? We can help. Call Tom 402 484 8476.

Tour de Friends | Trail Ride Thursday

5:45 pm | Thursday, April 27 -We will be riding the scenic Billy Wolf Trail to Destinations Coffee Shop. Meet at the Shopko parking lot at 4200 S 27th Street. Bring some money for coffee, tea or a smoothie & snacks if you want. And always feel free to invite some friends to join along. Casual, conversational riding pace. Helmets required. Approximately 10 miles.

2017 CHURCH GROWTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Monday April 24th—Tuesday, April 25 Join us for this two-day summit held here at Westminster. A diverse group of successful church leaders will share a variety of insights to help us rethink how mainline churches can move into the future. Come, listen to these leaders, listen to other engaged churches, and listen for the spirit to move. Speakers: Dr. Susan Forshey, Dr. Ross Thompson, Patrice McMahon and Richard Brown. Register at:
<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07edjt06mp7a17d19a&llr=o6bzz6iab>

Per Capita for 2017 is \$39.25 per member

HERITAGE SUNDAY— April 30 | 10:00 AM

Come celebrate our Scottish heritage with bagpipes, kilts, and Highland Games! Meet in the Gym at 10:15 am to join the parade. Wear your plaids and/or favorite accessory. During worship, there will be the traditional "Kirkin' of the Tartans" Ceremony which is a blessing of a clans Tartan. Following worship will be a meal of "Bangers and Mash & Smashed Peas" with traditional onion gravy. Please bring two dozen short-bread cookies to share. The meal is \$5/person, children 10 & under free, max. \$15/family.

"Forty Days of Focus"— If you **missed** signing up for a group – perhaps you wintered in Arizona? – there is another opportunity to join. Greg Hershberger will lead a group on Tuesdays at 7 pm from May 2 - June 6 at the church. This is a six week study written by Dr. McDonald to foster Christian discipleship and an opportunity to meet new friends and deepen relationships with those you already know. Call the church office to enroll 402-475-6702.

Westminster Preschool Mother's Day Tea We are in need of tea cups and tea pots for the Mother's Day Tea on May 11 & 12. If you have any that you'd like to donate please drop them off at the church office- they will be put to good use throughout the years to come.

Vacation Bible School- Discover Your Strength in God

All children longing to be superheroes are invited to soar at Westminster's VBS Hero Central, June 19 – 23! This superhero adventure includes music that will energize your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, hands-on mission hero work, snacks, great games, and more! Visit www.westminsterlincoln.org to register.

WOW! Westminster on Wednesday

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

April 26th Dinner

Homemade Runza and Tater Tots
Salad Bar, Fruit and Dessert

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

WOW XL Youth Café at 6:30 PM

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

Music Rehearsals

6:30 pm Alleluia! Amen! |Room 210
6:30 pm Cherub Choir |Room 210
6:30 pm Westminster Carillon |Chapel
7:30 pm Westminster Choir |Sanctuary

Adult Education

Creation Celebration—Restoring Eden

WOW at the movies | Westminster Theater

WPC's Green@Heart April 26 | 6:30 pm

Join us on Wednesday evening as we explore the impact of climate change across the globe. *Before the Flood*, a documentary produced and narrated by Leonardo DiCaprio, examines areas of the world that are suffering the ramifications of climate change.