## Adult Education at 9:00 am

#### **Creation Celebration**

Today marks the close of Westminster's Creation Celebration— a full month of worship, education, and other activities demonstrating our commitment to protect and care for creation. In a final round of celebration, the flowers in the chancel today are locally grown and come to us straight from the gardens of Westminster members. Because of YOU, Westminster is Green @ Heart. Protect, care for . . . and enjoy!

**Sunday, May 21** – "Landscaping with Climate Change in Mind" presented by Benjamin Vogt, Prairie Garden Consulting and Design and the Author of "A New Garden Ethic"..

Sunday, May 28 - No Adult Ed Scheduled

## Westminster Bible Class —Parlor

We are reminded of God's love focused in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

May 21 - Jonah 3; Nahum 1-3, God's Love Preserved Jonah, led by Gary Haller.

May 28 - Jonah 4; Nahum 1-3, God's Pervasive Love, led by Ellen Davis.

**Faith Village on Sundays**— 9:00 and 10:45 am Grades K – 5th are invited to learn experientially about "Sharing and Kindness" in Faith Village this Spring.

## Kindergarten of Eden— 10:45 am

Our loving volunteers welcome your preschool children in Room 210 for interactive learning as they Grow in Grace and Gratitude! May lessons focus on an exploration of the value of wisdom, grace in God's generosity and justice, and grace in action. This Sunday's worship will be televised on digital Channel 71.13 on Thursday at 12:30 pm and regular channel 13 on 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, Jennifer Smith, Regi Schirmer and Roger Van Cleave.

Host: Jim & Ginger Nissen.

**Greeters:** Rob Otte and Mike Rasmussen. **Acolytes:** Porter Woita and Henry Cline.

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May 21, 2017

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

## Welcome to Westminster!

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

## **Lohmen News**

## Sunday, July 16

Save the date. It's not too soon to start dreaming about a marvelous feast provided by our Lohmen guests.

A longstanding tradition is for the visitors to invite the host congregation to a church wide meal. It is a big deal for our German friends to have you eat their fantastic food and share amazing fellowship. There will be bratwurst!

## Pentecost Sunday Celebration

## Sunday, June 4

Come celebrate the birthday of the Christian church. Pentecost is in two weeks— Wear red to worship!

## **Cancer Support Group**

The diagnosis of cancer is often, perhaps usually, a traumatic emotional experience. Suddenly the person is transported to an uncomfortable, anxious mental state of concern about "what will happen to me, my loved ones, my job, and many other things." Fortunately, at Westminster, there exists a small, informal group that allows each person to listen and share those concerns with other Cancer survivors and feel uplifted to a new, purposeful life. This support group meets monthly- 3rd Tuesday, 7PM in the parlor. If this helps fill a need for you, please join us. Call Janice Rohwedder for further information 402-730-5568.

## Ladies Night Out Mon, May 22 | 5-7 pm

Parthenon— 5500 S 56th Street #8 (56th & Hwy 2) Invite your friends for a fun evening of getting to know Westminster Presbyterian Church ladies. No RSVP required, drop-in at your leisure. If the weather permits, we'll be dining al fresco on the deck. Contact Robyn at robynu2@hotmail.com.

## Westminster Club- Final Meeting Tuesday, May 23 | 5:30 PM | Cole Hall

Westminster Club has been an integral part of the life of Westminster for many years. In recent years, the size of the group has declined to the point that the remaining participants have decided it is time to disband the group. The catered dinner is prepared by Susie Hughes and served by her able crew who have been a part of Westminster Club's success for a very long time. The program will be provided by the Bacons – Boyd, Masako and Bennett following dinner. We encourage you to join us for dinner in Cole Hall followed by a wonderful musical program in the Chapel. Please make your reservations today at the table in the Garden Room.

#### RESTORING EDEN

This morning is your last chance to sign one of Westminster's prayer flags. Our flags were first carried in Lincoln's Climate March on April 29th. After today they will join a collection of flags from other earth care congregations to be carried in climate marches throughout the year. Stop in the Garden Room to add your name. All ages are welcome!

# Presbyterian Women Circle 6 Tuesday, May 23 | 7:00 PM Westminster Lounge Contact Jane Hines at 402-488-8302.

## Tour de Friends | Trail Ride Thursday

May 25 at 5:45 - Meet at the Children's Zoo Parking Lot We will ride to Holmes Lake and take the Billy Wolff Trail (southeast toward highway 2) to the Dairy Queen Grill & Chill located at 8510 Bowman Dr. Bring your bicycle lock, some money for snacks and wear a helmet for safety.

## Presbyterian Missionary, to visit Westminster

Jim McGill, most recently serving Malawi, Africa, will be visiting Westminster on June 2nd and 4th. Please join us in welcoming him to Westminster.

Friday, June 2 | 6:30 PM - there will be a pot luck dinner at the church where Jim will give a power point presentation of his work in Africa. Jim serves as coordinator of protected water in the Development Department of the Synod of Livingstonia. All are encouraged to bring a dish to share and attend this event. To reserve your place at the table, call the church at 402-475-6702. Sponsored by the Mission and Outreach committee and World on a Plate.

**Sunday, June 4** - Jim will be delivering the message during the Sunday services. Westminster has had missionary connections dating back to the '70's when we supported Dr. and Mrs. Paul Jewett, missionaries to Malawi and India.

## Per Capita for 2017 is \$39.25 per member

## Masako's & Boyd's Farewell Reception June 11, following worship

Please join us as we thank Masako & Boyd for their years of service and wish them farewell. If you would like to give a gift in their honor, please make out your check to Westminster Church, and mail it to attn: Cheryl Rennick.

#### THANK YOU TO ALL THE MUSICIANS

Westminster Choir and Carillon will meet until May 24, but praising voices never cease! Come to Summer Choir starting May 28- meet 9:30-10am rehearsal on Sundays.

#### Music Rehearsals

6:30 pm Westminster Carillon | Chapel 7:30 pm Westminster Choir | Sanctuary

## "Westminster Build Day" Saturday, June 17th | 8 AM - 3 PM

"If I had a hammer . . ." You are invited for a day of purpose and fun! Our Life Groups Committee is sponsoring Westminster Church members and friends to work at a Habitat for Humanity site. The location is to be announced. Lunch will be served. No tools necessary. Work a half day, or all day. No skills required. Minimum age is 16. Those under 18 will need parent/guardian signature. Call Tracy to sign up at 402-475-6702 or call Rev. Shelbourn at 402-239-5555. Rev. Shelbourn is dismissing the June "Sausage, Egg and Scripture" so the men who have been attending can help at Habitat instead of going to the regular breakfast and Bible Study.

## 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.

Turning Pages Book Club at the County Jail. We will meet again this summer in ministry with female inmates. The format of meeting once a week for 4 weeks gives us time to become comfortable speaking with the group and mull over first reactions to the assigned reading. The core members of the group guide us and it was a satisfying experience." The background check to volunteer at the facility can take 2-3 months and a training session is required. If you are interested please contact Deb Schorr at debschorr@aol.com or Maggie Stuckey at magjostu@gmail.com.

## **Learning Frontiers**

A collaborative research project by UNL and LPS to learn more about early learning and development, is seeking families with a child starting kindergarten in the fall *but not* currently enrolled in preschool. A stipend may be available. Visit their website at <a href="learningfrontiers.unl.edu">learningfrontiers.unl.edu</a> or contact Amanda Witte at 402-472-2490.

