#### 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 as we seek to understand how we at Westminster can work toward "restoring Eden".

Sunday, May 7 – Louise Lynch has studied at University College Dublin, curated a children's exhibit about bees in New York, and collected degrees from Farleigh Dickinson University, and UNL. Her passion is citizen science and she will join us in the Lounge Sunday for "Our Symbiotic Relationship with Pollinators".

Sunday, May 14 - No Adult Ed - Mother's Day - Hostamania.

#### Westminster Bible Class — Parlor

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

May 7- Marathon Sunday- Jonah 1- God's Sustaining Love, led by Ellen Davis.

**May 14 -** Mother's Day, Jonah 2, God's Love Preserved Jonah, led by Bill North.

**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 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 <a href="https://www.westminsterlincoln.org">www.westminsterlincoln.org</a>.

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:** Steve Larson, Sammi Lowery, Tracy Sanford, Carol Shelbourn, Jennifer Smith, Ron Wachter, and

Matt Wood. **Host:** Mary Orth.

**Greeters:** Jason Woita and Gwen Thorpe. **Acolytes:** Georgia Wood and Derek Burrage.

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

May 7, 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

In Germany, the church is a state function and people are designated Catholic or Evangelical. We would say protestant Lutheran, but to them those terms are redundant. Imagine this: you are standing in a prayer circle and invited to say the Lord's Prayer in your own language. The English and German words collide together, but mainly the prayer has the same rhythms and timing. The experience says a lot about our sameness and differences. Find a way to take part in the Lohmen visit in July.

#### **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, and those who could not make an appointment for April, to still be in the directory. We need 11 more sittings to qualify for a binder instead of a stapled booklet directory. Call Tracy for an appointment at 475-6702 or signing up today in the Garden Room.

### Tour de Friends | Trail Ride Thursday

May 11 at 5:45 - We will meet at the Jayne Snyder Trails Center, 21st and Q streets by the statue of the head. From there we will be riding on the North West side of town trails system to Superior Street and loop back to the Trails Center. Approximately 12 miles.

### Back Pew Farmer May 10 | 6:30 PM

Back by popular demand, Back Pew Farmer features local experts and Westminster Master Gardeners who will discuss timely topics and answer gardening questions. Join us on Wednesday evenings as we explore a panel—led Question & Answer about habitat and sustainable gardening.

### All ages are welcome!

# **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.

**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 <u>learningfrontiers.unl.edu</u> or contact Amanda Witte at 402-472-2490.

#### Hostamania Fundraiser

Sunday, May 14 | 9:00 AM - Noon

The Lohmen group is hosting Hostamania at the east entrance. Many good things converge at Hosatmania-lots of plants have been donated (hosta and otherwise- some people bring rhubarb, asparagus, and marmalade) and are available for your landscape. The funds raised help us host our German visitors in July. Horticulture is taught and learned. God smiles as we celebrate creation.

#### **HISTORY BUFFS**

Saturday, May 13 | 9:00 AM

Jimmy Shellbourn will present the history of bagpipes and origin of lyrics to "Amazing Grace'. Title "Bagpipes...'Make a Joyful NOISE to the Lord" Psalm 100. Please join us for this joyful experience.

### 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 <a href="https://www.westminsterlincoln.org">www.westminsterlincoln.org</a> to register.

# Masako's & Boyd's Farewell Reception

June 11, following worship | More details to come. 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. More details to come, watch for them in the Vine.

### The Hub & The Hamlet- Saturday, May 20th

A block of gardens that created a neighborhood, a block of neighborhood that created a garden! Come for lunch, tour, or both.

11:45 Meet at the Hub Cafe, 21st & P, for lunch 1:15-2:15 Tour Hawley Hamlet, 26th and T

### **WOW! Westminster on Wednesday**

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

# May 10<sup>rd</sup> WOW Dinner

Homemade Pizza!
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

Turning Pages Book Club at the County Jail. We will meet again this summer in ministry with female inmates. First time participant Jane Voorhies comments, "I wish to encourage you to join Turning Pages. It is a supportive way to visit those in prison, as directed in scriptures. 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 so if you are interested please contact Deb Schorr at debschorr@aol.com or Maggie Stuckey at magjostu@gmail.com.

Per Capita for 2017 is \$39.25 per member