

## Adult Education at 9:00 am

### Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Forgiving someone who has harmed or hurt us is one of the most challenging commandments given to us by Christ.

Recognizing how difficult this can be, can you even imagine forgiving someone who has murdered your family? Join us in June as we explore the spiritual practice of forgiveness and the power of reconciliation. Dr. Adam Luedtke will lead our discussion on June 4 and 11 drawing upon profound biblical examples, contemporary research, and leading experts in the fields of theology and psychology.

**Sunday, June 4** – “The Spiritual Practice of Forgiveness” – by Dr. Adam Luedtke.

**Sunday, June 11** – “The Power of Reconciliation” – by Dr. Adam Luedtke.

## Westminster Bible Class —Parlor,

### God’s Urgent Call

Pentecost begins our summer lesson series for Westminster Bible Class, which meets in the parlor each Sunday except the Sunday of our summer outdoor worship service. It is fitting that we begin our study of God’s call on Pentecost, for isn’t that what Pentecost is all about? The coming of the Holy Spirit into the lives of all demands a response by the faithful Christian. This series of lessons of God’s Urgent Call reminds us that as God called persons in the past, we know God continues to call people today – even us! Join us for the whole summer or drop in whenever you are able.

**Sunday, June 4** – Judges 4-5, “Deborah and Barak” led by Bud Tenny.

**Sunday, June 11** – Judges 6-8, “Gideon’s Call” led by Ellen Davis.

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL begins June 4 | 10:45 AM

Children age 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are welcome to join us for our summer video/lesson series, *Character Builders*, based on the Fruit of the Spirit.

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](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:** Steve Larson, Sammi Lowery, Tracy Sanford, Carol Shelbourn, Larry Peach, Ron Wachter and Matt Wood.

**Greeters:** Mitch Schainost and Doug Karsting.

**Host-** Mary Orth

**Acolytes:** Teddie Kirkland and Aubrey Winter.

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

June 4, 2017

## Welcome to Westminster!

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

A special welcome Jim & Jodi McGill. We are thankful for your ministry.

## Lohmen News

It is a faith landmark to connect with another believer. When our Lohmen friends are here in July (11-18), there will be opportunities for WPCers to make connections by taking part in some of the activities of their very busy week. On the first day, we're hoping jet-lag won't spoil their trip to the Windmill Factory in Nebraska City, Indian Cave State Park, and dinner at Lied Lodge. How about joining that expedition; all are welcome.

## 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](tel:402-730-5568).

## Presbyterians in the Park

**Sunday, June 25 – 10:30 am**

### Band Shell – Antelope Park

Bring blankets, lawn chairs and gather for worship in the park. After worship you are invited to a potluck lunch at the Auld Recreation Center. Member Care will provide fried chicken and drinks. A free will offering will be taken. What should you bring? Glad you asked. Last names beginning with A-M bring a side dish; N-Z bring a dessert. Please bring a serving spoon for your dish to serve 10-12 people. Consider bringing allergen-free items (no nuts, dairy, gluten, etc.) and label your dish please. There will be no Sunday School classes. 8:00 am worship will be in the Chapel per usual. See you in the park!

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

## Tour de Friends | Trail Ride Thursday

**June 8 at 5:45 - Meet at the Children's Zoo Parking Lot**

We will ride the trails to the UNL Dairy Store. Bring money for snacks, extra water and a lock for your bike. Approximately 10 miles. Feel free to invite a friend or two along and wear your helmet for safety.

## 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.

## "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](http://www.westminsterlincoln.org) to register.

## Join Summer Choir

**Every Sunday in June | 9:30 AM**

All voices, experienced or not, are welcome to join.

## 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 [learningfrontiers.unl.edu](http://learningfrontiers.unl.edu) or contact Amanda Witte at 402-472-2490.

## Men with Dreams

**Tuesday, June 6 | 10:30 AM**

The Youth Summer Reading Program has begun. We are hosting the South Street Branch Library with four of their events. Men with Dreams challenges youth to invest in themselves by understanding that they are important and that their dreams are possible. The performance combines a live DJ, positive live music, a workout session and words of encouragement that will empower them to be who they are and to do what they love. To sign up or get more information call the library at 402-441-8570.

## Thank you, Teachers and Shepherds!

If you were unable to make it to worship last Sunday, you may pick up your appreciation gift at the church office during the week, or from Barbara on Sunday morning. The rumor on the street is that the Lavender Mint Foot Scrub is pretty awesome—which will come in handy for relaxing.

## Turning Pages Book Club

We will be meeting in July with female inmates at the County Jail from 6:30-7:30 pm on Mondays— July 10, 17, 24, and 31. Book: Divergent by Veronica Roth. More Westminster book club members are always needed. Contact the church office for more information.