

## Adult Education | Lounge | 9 am

Imagine the first Christmas... for Mary and Joseph... the bewilderment and confusion they experienced, the faithfulness and trust in God they exhibited, and ultimately, the wonder, awe, and joy they shared.

**December 3**— “Christmas through the Eyes of Joseph” by Ernie Hines.

**December 10** – “Christmas through the Eyes of Mary” by Ernie Hines.

## Westminster Bible Class | Parlor | 9 am

### The Early Church Proclaims Faith in Christ:

Faith is central to Christian faith. Christ is the basis of salvation, how we live life no matter what it brings.

**DECEMBER 3:** Faith in Jesus | Acts 3 | led by Steve Carveth.

**DECEMBER 10:** Faith to Discern | Acts 13:1-12 | led by Kent Wolf.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** \*following the Children’s Sermon at 10:30 worship

**Preschool Story Time** | Rm 210 | 9 AM

**Kindergarten of Eden** | Ages 3-5 | Rm 210 | \*10:45 AM

**Faith Village** | Grades K—5 | Lower Level | 9 & \*10:45AM

**Middle School** | 6-7 Grade | Lower Level | 9 AM

Students will “Explore the Core of the Bible”.

**High School** | 10-11 Grade | Lower Level | 9AM

Relevant studies from “The Thoughtful Christian”.

### Do you play a brass instrument?

Westminster Brass wants you! Contact John at 402-475-6702 or [john@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:john@westminsterlincoln.org).

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

**Greeters:** Mitch Schainost and Bill Walstad.

**Acolytes:** Julian Anderson and Carter Mulvaney.

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

December 3, 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 Membership Class

**December 10 at 9:00 am**

Please contact Marge at [marge@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:marge@westminsterlincoln.org) or mark “Wish to Join” in the Friendship Pad if you are interested in becoming a member.

## “C” is for Christmas

### Celebrate with us tonight!

**Sunday, December 3, 5-6:30 pm**

Faith Village will transform into Bethlehem for one night only as “A Night in Bethlehem” returns.

You may visit the city of Bethlehem during the Census, the year Jesus was born. Wander through the bustling Bethlehem marketplace and discover what life was like at that time. Create unique keepsakes as you interact with local shopkeepers who share the Christmas story. Talk with Mary and Joseph in The Stable, and hear about the miracle of Jesus’ birth. Join in singing Christmas Carols in the Psalmist’s Tent and don’t forget to gather around for the Chili Cook-off.

### Children’s Christmas Pageant

**Sunday, December 10th - during 10:30 AM Worship**

“This is the stable, dusty and brown, in a quiet corner of Bethlehem town.” This year’s Christmas pageant will be anything but dusty and brown. The Alleluia! Amen! and Cherub Choirs bring to life the beautiful children’s story, “This Is the Stable” with a new set, audio/visual effects, and student-created arrangements of traditional Christmas carols. Bring your family and invite your friends to worship, you don’t want to miss this Christmas event.

### Youth String Ensemble Rehearsals

We rehearse on Sundays 10:00-10:20 am in the Chapel. Youth that play string instruments are invited to join. This group will perform a variety of musical styles several times.

## The Rising Band invites you to “Carols & Cold Ones”

**Cottonwood Café — 440 S 11th Street**

**Sunday, December 17 | 7 - 9 PM**

Please join the Rising Band of Westminster Presbyterian Church at Cottonwood Cafe for a Christmas Sing-a-long with your favorite beverage! We will sing as many holiday favorites as we can, while enjoying fellowship with friends and family. The venue has a nice dinner menu, and a wide selection of coffee drinks as well. Just as Westminster is inclusive, we encourage inviting guests for this special night. We consider this a family friendly event and we can't wait to sing with you!

### Christmas Eve Worship December 24th

The glorious culmination of our Advent journey. Celebrate Faith, Hope, Joy and Love this candlelight worship with Westminster.

**10:30 AM—** Advent IV—“O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie.” In the winter stillness, we anxiously await the birth of Love incarnate.

**3:00 PM—** Come carol the Good News with The Good Life Chorus, a new professional men’s “a capella” chorus who have made Westminster their home.

**5:00 PM—** Join with children’s voices, Youth Strings and the Nebraska Brass to welcome the Christ child.

**7:00 PM—** Celebrate a rockin’ Christmas Eve with the Rising band.

**9:00 PM—** Proclaim the Good News of Jesus’ birth with the Westminster Choir, Carillon, and the Nebraska Brass.

## WOW! Westminster On Wednesday

Join us for WOW—Westminster on Wednesday where you will find great food, education, music, and more.

### WOW Dinner

Dinner is served from 5:45 to 6:15 PM Cole Hall.  
\$4/children, \$6/Adults, \$17 max per family.

### DECEMBER 6 th Meal:

Spaghetti w/meat sauce & homemade garlic bread, salad, dessert & fruit soup

**Adult Ed- Dec 3 & 13 | 6:30-7:30 PM** — Gather in the Westminster Theater to watch “A Christmas Carol” on the big screen.

### 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.

### WOW! MUSIC Rehearsals on Wednesdays

Westminster Carillon | Sanctuary | 6:20 PM  
Alleluia! Amen! | Grades K-5 | Room 210 | 6:30 PM  
Cherub Choir | Pre-K | Room 210- East | 6:30 PM  
Westminster Choir | Sanctuary | 7:30 PM

### Parenting Life Group: Wednesdays | Parlor | 6:30 PM

Adults share and discuss while children are nurtured in supervised care. Bring the family for WOW dinner and Preschool- grade 5 children are welcome to sing with the choirs.

### Lunch Bunch— Tuesday, December 5 | 11:30 AM

We are meeting at Cheddar’s, 5424 “O” Street. Come for fellowship & good food. All are welcome.  
Questions? Call Larry Wieskamp at 402-802-6883.