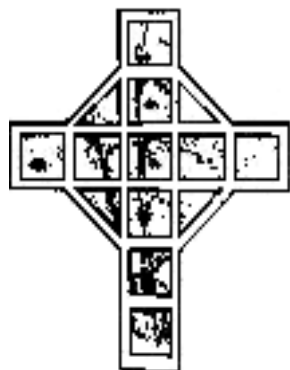


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The Triangle

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WOMEN-SING ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

All women are invited to sing for one Sunday.

Sunday, February 27th is going to be a celebration of women in the church. Westminster will be holding a Women-Sing on that Sunday and all women are invited to join the choir for one week! There will be two rehearsals, one on Thursday, February 24th from 7:00-7:45pm in the sanctuary and then on Sunday morning at 10:30am before worship. If you cannot attend the Thursday evening rehearsal, that's okay – just show up at 10:30am on Sunday. The music is very learnable for people of any skill level. It would be great to fill the choir loft with WPC's women! See Terry or any choir member for more information.

Terry Shaw, Director of Music Ministries

PASTORS' CORNER

The Rev. Dr. David Kegley

Tunisia, Yemen and most prominently Egypt are among the major stories of change recently. Local populations are shifting and some movement is breaking loose in a slowly thawing housing market. The church is also

changing as it learns how to relate to a changing world. While some recall the good old church days of the 1950's, these days will be the good old days of our children's recollection. Or will they?

It depends on our faithful response to God today. The wake-up call for the church is that we cannot simply do what worked for us years ago expecting to achieve the same results. We have different attitudes, social problems, our language has evolved and our society is more mixed racially and religiously. Technology and industry have shifted and we connect with people differently. I don't for a minute think that God is against change. In fact, I think God is compelling us into change. God created us to be like God in this way; we are like God as creative beings, called to take new steps into a changing world.

There's no adequate easy route through creativity. It takes both caution and courage to be creative, for we are like God as creative agents, but unlike God as sinful creatures. We are like God in possessing imaginations, yet unlike God in that we may not do the right thing even though it beckons to us with promise. Sometimes we take the second best route to the next possibility by doing what someone else did somewhere else. We find it convenient to shut down our critical thinking and just accept the path someone else has forged. Not always a bad choice, but the nobler choice is to learn from another vicariously, then improve on it in our own situation.

This year I am setting out on a project that I can best sum up as "Toward a Reformed Theology of Creativity." While there are a ton of books and articles available on the subject of creativity, there is a curious absence of reformed theology on the subject. I'm thinking that with God's help and with yours, I may be able to stimulate some development in this area. The first step for me is to gather "listening groups" of people to discuss scripture and theology. I have begun by engaging with a group of people who do not go to church in order to hear their insights. It's often stated that the most creative ideas come from outside the group—or church in this case. Soon I will be asking to listen in groups here in the church. I'll need your help to do this.

Creativity is in high demand for the church today. There are few easy answers to being a church in a culture that is becoming more secular. And that's OK. The truly creative answers turn out to be more faithful, more effective and sometimes even a lot more fun!

Peace, *David*

Calendar for This Week and Next

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Youth leave for Winter Retreat

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Worship

Youth return from Retreat

1:15pm Golden Delicious to Ranch
House BBQ

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Presidents' Day holiday – church
office closed

7:00pm Rachel Circle

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP

6:00pm TuesdayNightTogether –
(see page 4)

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

10:00am Bible Study (room 12)

7:00pm Deacons (library)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

12 noon Triangle articles due

7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

12 noon Habitat for Humanity (FH)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

10:00am CROP Walk recruiters (12)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Worship

12:30pm Youth Group

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

4:00pm Presbytery Trustees (chapel)

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP

10:30am Presbyterian Women's
Board meeting (lib)

12 noon Women's Luncheon (see
article page 6)

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

9:30am Triangle folding (library)

10:00am Bible Study (room 12)

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

6:00pm Praise Team

7:00pm Chancel Choir



THERE'S STILL TIME . . . Join Us at TuesdayNightTogether

If you weren't able to come to TNT when it began again on February 8th, you may still join us. You will enjoy a light supper in the fellowship hall at 6:00pm and then, if you choose, you may join the craft group, the music jam session or attend one of the classes being offered. If you wish to know more about the evening, refer to the February 1st edition of The Triangle or pick up a "Opportunities for Adult Christian Education" brochure in the literature rack. The Bell Choir, Youth Group and Kid's Club also gather that evening. There is something for everyone, so plan to join us Tuesday, February 22nd. Childcare is available.

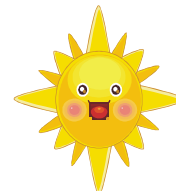
ACTIVITY SHINES AT SUNSHINE PRESCHOOL

It's been an awesome month of zooming around on airplanes and chugging along the railroad track. Children discovered different ways we can travel and played number games and shape activities to go with the theme. They are also trying very hard to perfect the art of using scissors.

We did not have much snow but had plenty of indoor winter projects from snowflakes to snowman songs.

Our phonics program is made fun with Phonemic awareness games and very interesting "Alpha tales" stories.

This month being the month of love, we have been getting ready for a Valentine's Day party and puppet show. The children made their own mailboxes and will be collecting valentines from each other. We are also getting ready to send out progress reports this month as some children prepare to register for kindergarten.



Dinali Dhammapala, Sunshine Preschool Director

TRIANGLE ARTICLE REMINDER

In February we changed our Triangle article submission deadline.

The easiest way to remember the date is – publication dates are the first and third Tuesdays of the month and the articles are due at noon on Thursday the week before. If all else fails, article deadlines will be noted in The Triangle (in the calendar and on the back page) and in the worship bulletin.

ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER AND SERVICE



Please join us for this evening of fellowship and quiet reflection as we begin the season of Lent. Our dinner and service fall on our department meeting night this year. We hope that many of you can come for the dinner and the service. You are also invited to stay to sit in on one of our many departments to learn what we do. Departments are: Buildings & Grounds, Christian Education, Mission & Fellowship, Personnel, Stewardship & Finance and Worship & Music.

Wednesday, March 9th

Dinner:
6:00pm

Worship:
6:30pm

Departments meet:
7:00pm

Childcare will be provided.

We need soup!

We would love to have as many of you bring soup (or bread) for our dinner. We need eight to ten different soups serving ten people each. Soups can be delivered just prior to dinner and a crock pot is usually the best serving vessel.

Please contact Beth Julian at 943-7009 if you can bring a soup or bread!

Kate Scriven, for Mission & Fellowship

NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Westminster's Presbyterian Women will hold their **monthly board meeting** Tuesday, March 1st, at 10:30am in the church library. Our main topic will be the nomination of officers for 2011-12.

The Presbyterian **Women's luncheon** will be at noon Tuesday, March 1st, in the fellowship hall. It will be a no-host salad luncheon, so please bring a salad to share. Susan Girard is baking yummy cupcakes with a St. Patrick's theme. We are privileged to have Larry West speak on the Heifer Project. Larry will present a video of his father Dan West's work for peace and hold a question and answer session. We are looking forward to the program and seeing our friends for lunch. Thank you to Marty Braun and Susan Girard for pulling the program together.

Ruth Getchell, Moderator for Westminster's Presbyterian Women

WHAT'S NEW IN THE KITCHEN?

The Westminster Presbyterian Women's Kitchen Fund is being used to purchase new white Corelle dishes. The fund has been supported by: memorial donations; Circles; "Sew Happy" Quilters; the Arts, Craft and Collectible Sale; and many other generous people. Most recently, a friend in our church family paid for new flatware, which will be arriving soon. **Thank You!**

Kitchen Committee members are contacting Camp Sound View and other community organizations to see if they have a need for our old dishes. If there is someone in our church family who would like any of the dishes, please call me at 943-4195 or email fascjs@yahoo.com. Do you reminisce about the 60's and 70's? There are avocado green Melamine dishes available too. Donations to the Kitchen Fund are appreciated.

Thank you for supporting one of the many Presbyterian Women's mission projects.

Carol Sanborn, for the Kitchen Committee

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A LAY LEADER?

Vaughn Fiess is looking for more people to serve as a Lay Leader for worship. If you would like to volunteer please contact Vaughn. Maybe you have never done it or maybe you used to do it in the past – either way, please consider volunteering. Our hope is to offer a short Lay Leader training in the near future.

Vaughn Fiess, 357-5407, for Worship & Music

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO . . . Belle
Bateman and all the friends and family of Clancy Pritchett.
Clancy died February 5th, 2011.**

A celebration of his life and memorial service was held at Westminster Sunday, February 13th.



MATCHING FUNDS FOR FOOD BANK DONATIONS



During the months of March and April your monetary donations to the Thurston County Food Bank will be met with matching funds as part of the Feinstein Challenge. If you would like to participate please note “Food Bank Feinstein Challenge” on your check that is made out to Westminster. We will submit those donations to the Food Bank before the end of April.

WATCH OUR WESTMINSTER FRIENDS AS THEY ENTERTAIN!

Entertainment Explosion, a troupe of seniors 55-83 years of age, is presenting The Really Big Shoe V: “Celebrating The ‘60s” at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, February 26th at 7:30pm and Sunday, February 27th at 2:00pm. This variety show will also include the Panorama Chorus and four members from our congregation. Mary Petzold will sing and do comedy, Carol Thompson will participate, and Trevor Shaw and Laurel Wilson will be featured in a number from the Broadway musical, “Oliver”.

Tickets are on sale at the Washington Center Box Office (753-8586) for \$12.50 and \$17.50. The money raised at this event is turned over to eight school districts and Community Youth Services to be used for the over 1500 homeless and needy children in Thurston and Mason Counties. In the past four years we have raised just under \$80,000 for the homeless children and our goal is to equal or exceed last year’s total of \$23,000 because there is greater urgency this year. Your attendance at the show or support with a monetary donation would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you! *Carol Thompson*, for Entertainment Explosion

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

February 6 – 201 (59 at 9:00am)

February 13 – 205 (57 at 9:00am)



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