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Newsletter for January 16 - 22, 2012

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Church-Wide Dinner and "Get Connected" Showcase

On Wednesday, January 25, there will be an opportunity for all members to tour the Fellowship Hall after [dinner](#) to meet a representative at booths from each circle, ChristCare group, social group, or mission group to learn more about the many ways our church serves this community and the world. Meet members with each group and learn about time commitments, current participants, and other important information. Whether you are a long-time member that wants to get more involved in a new area, a new member, or a visitor, this is a great time to get to know Westminster on a more personal level and "Get Connected!" (Sign ups for [dinner](#) end Monday, January 23.)



Monday, January 16

Church Office Closed

Weekday School Closed

5:40 p.m. [Westminster Bells](#)

Wednesday, January 18

11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

12:00 p.m. [ChristCare](#)

[Luncheon Group](#)

3:00 p.m. ["It's Elementary!" and](#)

[Twins](#)

4:30 p.m. [Junior and Senior](#)

[Choristers](#)

5:30 p.m. [Dinner](#)

6:00 p.m. JustFaith

6:15 p.m. [ChristCare Parenting](#)

New Westminster Pictorial Directory

We are excited to announce the creation of a new pictorial directory! You are part of our church family and our album wouldn't be complete without you! The directory will help us to connect names with faces to help us know each other even better. Please participate! [Online scheduling](#) is now open or you can call the church office (232-2424). There will also be sign-up tables in the Sanctuary Atrium on Sundays, January 22, 29, and February 5.

Participating families will receive a directory and a free 8x10 portrait.

If you have questions or if you would like to volunteer at the registration tables during photo sessions, contact [Nancy White](#) or [LeAnne White](#).

Photography and Portrait Viewing Dates:

Tuesday, February 21 - Saturday, February 25

Tuesday, February 28 - Saturday, March 3

A vertical banner with a brown background. At the top, it says 'westminster wants you to be part of the new pictorial directory!'. Below this are two photos: a woman and child, and a woman. Text next to the photos says 'February 21-25' and 'February 28-March 3'. Below the photos are three bullet points: 'No sitting fee', 'No obligation', and 'No sales pitch'. At the bottom, there is a photo of a family and the text 'Sign up online!'. In the center, it says 'Receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory'.

[Group](#)

6:30 p.m. Divorce Support Group

7:00 p.m. [Sanctuary Choir](#)

7:15 p.m. [Men's Group](#)

Thursday, January 19

10:00 a.m. [Bible Study](#)

10:30 a.m. [Senior Adult Tour and Lunch](#)

4:30 p.m. Heritage Lecture Committee

6:30 p.m. [ChristCare Hiking Group](#)

**Friday, January 20-
Sunday, January 22**

[Senior High Winter Retreat](#)

Saturday, January 21

10:00 a.m. [Gittings Ministry](#)

Sunday, January 22

8:45 a.m. [New Member Class](#)

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Worship Service

12:15 p.m. Session Training

5:00 p.m. [Middle School Group](#)

6:30 p.m. [ChristCare Single Parents Group](#)

Congregational News

Baptism

Elizabeth Grace Williams, daughter of Charles and Lisa Williams, was received into our fellowship on January 8, 2012.

Adult Groups

Men's Group

All men of the church are invited to Gourmet Pizza on Wednesday, January 18, for dinner and fellowship at 7:15 p.m. If you have questions or would like to get on the group's email list, contact [Steve Phillips](#).

Senior Adults

We will be taking a one-hour tour of Saint George Greek Orthodox Cathedral on Thursday, January 19, led by Deacon Charles Joyner. Meet at WPC at 10:00 a.m. to ride the church bus or meet at the Cathedral at 10:15 a.m. When you make your [reservation](#), please indicate if you will be riding the church bus, if you will need a wheelchair, and if you will be joining us for lunch afterwards at the Brick Street Cafe.

Students

All Youth

Youth groups will meet on Sunday, January 15. [The Middle School Group](#) will meet at 5:00 p.m., and the [Senior Highs](#) will meet at 6:00 p.m. If you have questions, contact [Steve Phillips](#).

Senior Highs

We will be leaving the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 20, for our winter retreat. We will return to church by noon on Sunday, January 22. Senior Highs will not meet the night of the 22nd.

Dominican Republic Mission Trip

Senior Highs and eighth graders are invited to participate in the Dominican Republic mission trip June 21-28. The cost is \$1,000. Scholarships are available. You must [sign up](#) by March 4. If you have questions, contact [Steve Phillips](#).

Montreat Summer Youth Conference

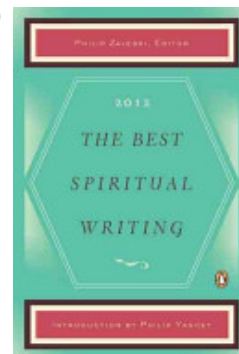
Senior Highs and eighth graders are invited to the Montreat Summer Youth Conference July 21-28. The cost is \$425 if you [sign up](#) before February 1. Afterwards, the cost will increase \$25 per month. Scholarships are available. If you have questions, contact [Steve Phillips](#).

Library Resource

[***The Best Spiritual Writing 2012***](#) (810.8038 Best 2012 - New Titles Shelf)

The latest volume in this annual series draws thought-provoking works from a wide range of journals and magazines representing both the religious and secular press. Sources range from *First Things* and *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* to *New Yorker* and *Poetry*. Included are varied selections from writers such as Philip Yancey, Richard Rodriguez, Pico Iyer, and Marilynne Robinson.

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