



***“Every day can be the beginning of something beautiful.  
You are capable of blooming like May flowers.  
Celebrate your accomplishments, big or small.  
There are days you harvest, and days you plant the seeds.”  
-Unknown***

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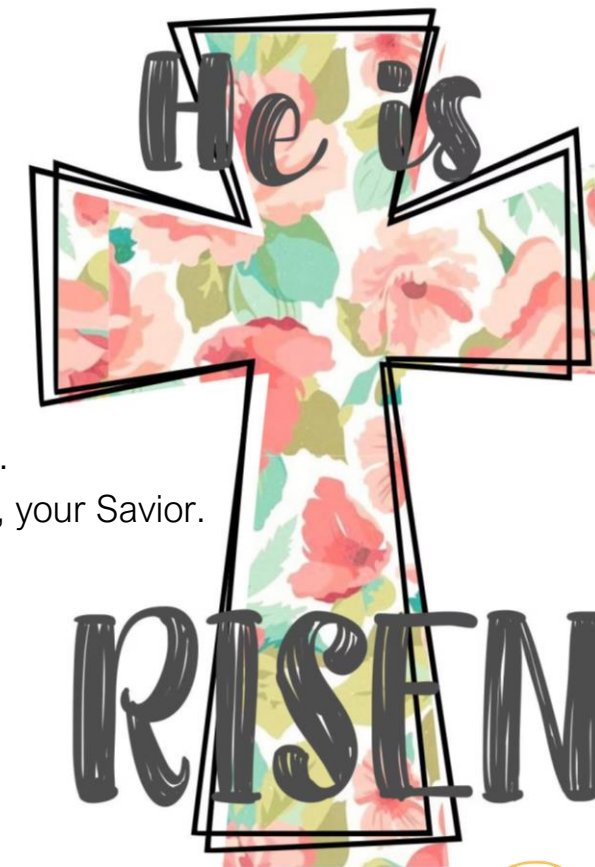
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Dear Westminster Church Family,

Happy Easter!! Christ is Risen... He is Risen Indeed! While we rightly pull out all the stops for Easter Sunday celebration, Easter is not a one-day celebration. Each Sunday is a little Easter, and the Easter Season actually begins on Easter Sunday and lasts 50 days, ending on the day of Pentecost. So, keep up the Easter spirit, remember what all this means for your own life and for the world. Consider this word from the prophet Isaiah.

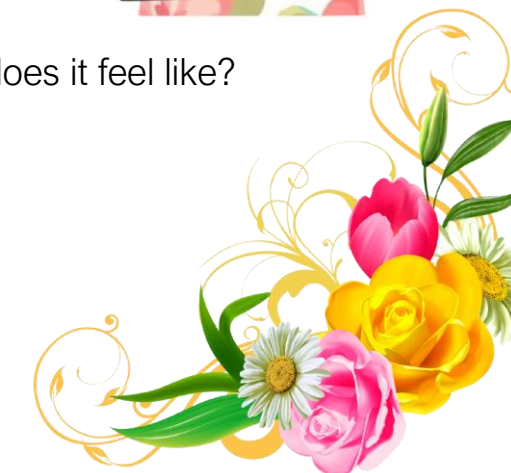
“And now, thus says Yahweh,  
...Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by your name, you are mine.  
Should you pass through the waters,  
I shall be with you;  
or through rivers,  
they will not swallow you up.  
Should you walk through fire,  
you will not suffer, and the flame will not burn you.  
For I am Yahweh, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
...I regard you as precious. And I love you,  
... Do not be afraid, for I am with you.  
...everyone who bears my name,  
whom I have created for my glory,  
whom I have formed,  
whom I have made. ([Isaiah 43:1-7](#), NJB)



If you imagine God sending you such a message, what does it feel like?  
What is your response?

Christ is Risen... He is Risen Indeed.

K.O. Noonoo



# CORNERSTONE REDEDICATION



Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Please RSVP by Friday, April 25 to [RSVP2WPC@gmail.com](mailto:RSVP2WPC@gmail.com) to ensure we can accommodate all our guests.

Since ancient times, builders have used cornerstones in their construction projects. A cornerstone was the principal stone, usually placed at the corner of an edifice, to guide the workers in their course. The cornerstone was usually one of the largest, the most solid, and the most carefully constructed of any in the edifice. The Bible describes Jesus as the cornerstone that His church would be built upon. He is foundational. Once the cornerstone was set, it became the basis for determining every measurement in the remaining construction; everything was aligned to it.

As the cornerstone of the building of the church, Jesus is our standard of measure and alignment. Please join us, Sunday, May 4th, as we recognize with celebration & rededication the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone at Westminster, remembering Jesus as our standard of measure and alignment in our lives.

# Our Office is Closed for the Holiday

Monday  
May 26th



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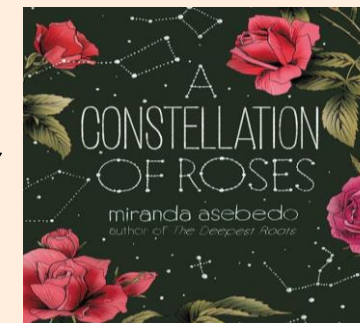
# ROMEO'S

WE WILL GET TOGETHER FOR SOME FUN AND FELLOWSHIP AT SKINNY'S BAR AND GRILL.

IT IS LOCATED JUST OFF OF GAGE BOULEVARD AND HUNTOON STREET. THEY HAVE A NICE MENU WITH WINGS, BURGERS, SANDWICHES AND APPETIZERS. THEY ALSO HAVE A SEPARATE ROOM FOR US TO USE. COME AND JOIN THE FUN ON MAY 13TH AT 11:30.



# Westminster Literary Society



April's book was "A Constellation of Roses" written by Miranda Asebedo for young adults. It is a story of the young girl Trix McCabe growing up in Kansas in a rundown motel with her drug addicted mother who disappears from her life. Eventually Trix's social worker places her with long-lost relatives and finds out that these McCabe women have special talents like her own that defy explanation. She is a successful pickpocket, and these women can make pies that cure all ills, can do palm-readings that never miss the mark, or have knowledge of secrets that have never been told.

Before long Trix thinks she might have found somewhere she belongs. Her mother is eventually found dead of an overdose. And the family bury her in the family plot placing a constellation of their roses on her grave. Trix has to decide, as things continue to be complicated, whether to stay with this new life or to run away as she has in the past!

- Mary Cochran

## SPRING BLOSSOMS

May 3 - 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

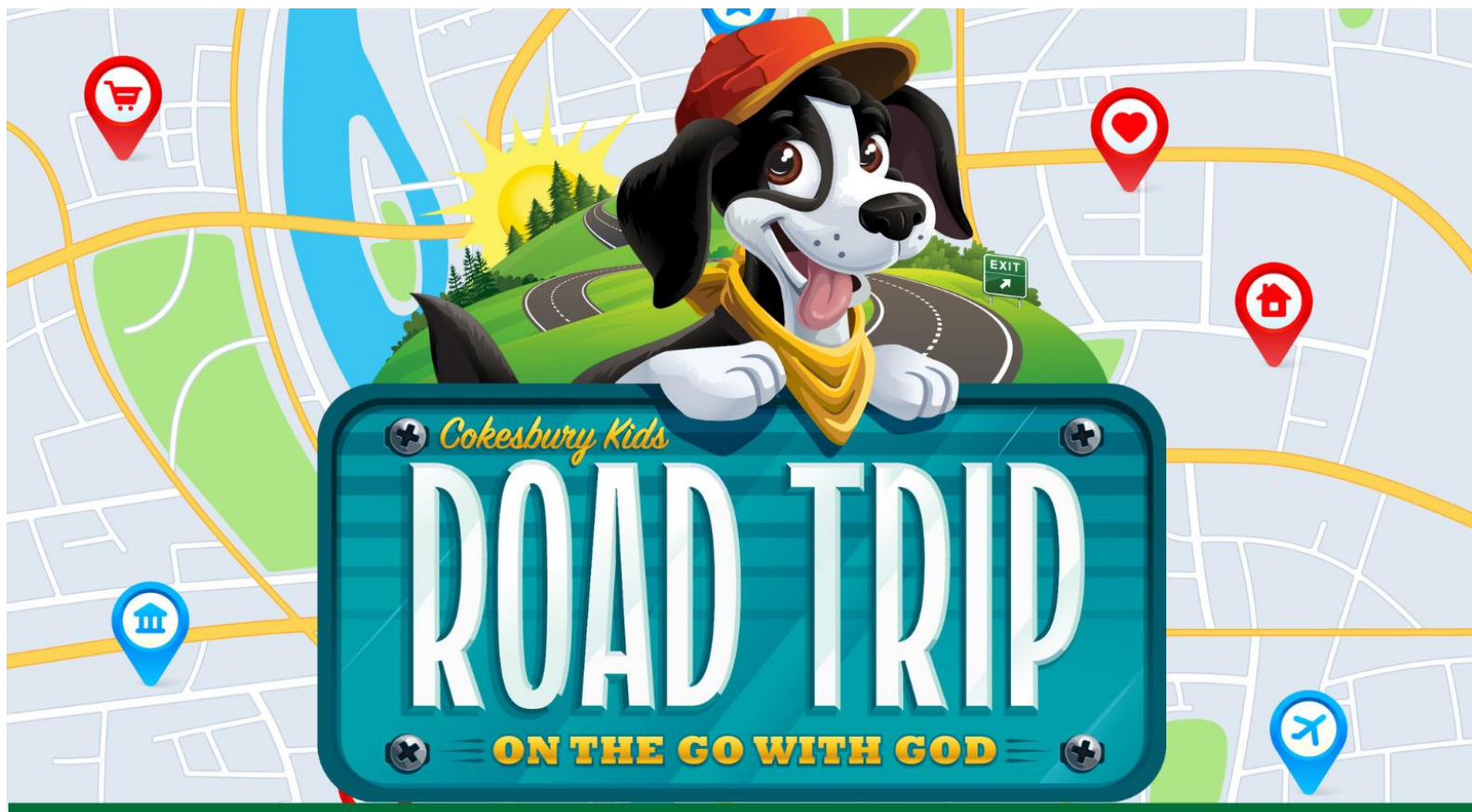
A favorite event for Westminster and College Hill will be held Saturday, May 3. We will be selling POTTED PLANTS, HANGING BASKETS, BEDDING PLANTS, BREAKFAST! This event (formerly known as "College Hill Blossoms"), has been held annually for over 30 years. Please plan to make your spring garden purchases at this event. In addition, we have a SILENT AUCTION with eclectic items. We will have gift cards, garden items, childrens things, and a variety of the "unexpected." This is actually the most lucrative part of the fundraiser and we are looking for donations. Items need to be new or collectible or antique. Please contact Sue Fackler with your donations.

## Mariners in May

FRIDAY, MAY 16

CHARLOTTE ADAIR WILL ENTERTAIN US WITH STORIES ABOUT HER TRIP TO KENYA. GET THAT ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR SURE.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE. THANKS.  
APRIL/MAY LIFEBOAT



**JUNE 22-27, 2025**

**8:30 - 11:30 AM**



**FREE VBS - K-5TH**

**FREE SUMMER LUNCH 11-12 PM**

**ALL FAMILY WRAP UP EVENT**



**ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ Storytelling
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Crafts
- ✓ Games

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It's almost summer lunch time again!

We will start on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and we will go through July 18<sup>th</sup> with USD 501 and our Westminster Meals will start on July 21<sup>st</sup> and run through August 8<sup>th</sup>

If you have any questions or know anyone who would be interested in Free Summer Lunch or volunteering, please let them know they can contact me.

~ Caryl Hines

Summer Lunch Coordinator

**---THE HEART CORNER**

by Tracy Schwartz



We had a woman come to get her Christmas bundle & was very thankful for Doorstep adopting her. Her husband had a stroke and was the breadwinner of the family and with her husband being in rehab it makes it hard for her to work with 3 kids and her husband. What she got from Doorstep was the family's entire Christmas and she was overwhelmed with how much she received. I also gave her a gift card and she started crying. She was so thankful!

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I am also very thankful for all the support Westminster has provided to Doorstep through all these years. You all play a big part in the success of the Doorstep program. I have been a volunteer at Doorstep for 10 years now. Tracy Schwartz is one of the fine members of the staff working there. I thought it might be nice to share one of the features she puts together in a monthly newsletter for the volunteers here.

Charlie Bates – Doorstep Volunteer

Greetings from the Music Ministry!

I can not believe that it is already May. Spring has sprung and the choirs are starting to wrap up for the season!

With that being said, if you are interested in providing special music at all this summer, I would love to chat and get a Sunday picked out for you! You can sing a hymn that is special to you, play an instrument, or offer any musical gifts that you would like.

This is a no pressure situation, but I would love to feature some of our wonderful "musicians in hiding" throughout the summer! I myself plan to do a couple extra fun things! We have approximately 14 Sunday's that I would love to try and fill!

Pray on it, practice on it, and I look forward to hearing from you!

Musical Blessings,  
Tyler Kuder

# May

Children and Youth Faith Formation  
following the Narrative Lectionary each Sunday from 9-10 am:

May 4 - Stephen's Witness

May 11 - Ethiopian Baptized

May 18 - Council at Jerusalem

May 25 - Living by Faith



Maurine Wadley is the daughter of Dan Wadley and Amber Wadley and the granddaughter of Carolyn Wadley, longtime members of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Maurine plans to attend Washburn University and study social work including art therapy. According to Maurine, "My goal for the future is to pursue art therapy, a path that allows me to help others through creative expression and emotional healing."

My participation in Scouts and my faith journey have deeply influenced the choices I've made in life. Through challenging and dark times when I felt alone, I turned to God, who lifted me up and showed me the importance of love and compassion. I've witnessed the power of God's love in creating a strong foundation of support from loved ones around me and I am inspired to offer that same hope and healing to others, guiding them through their struggles as I was guided."

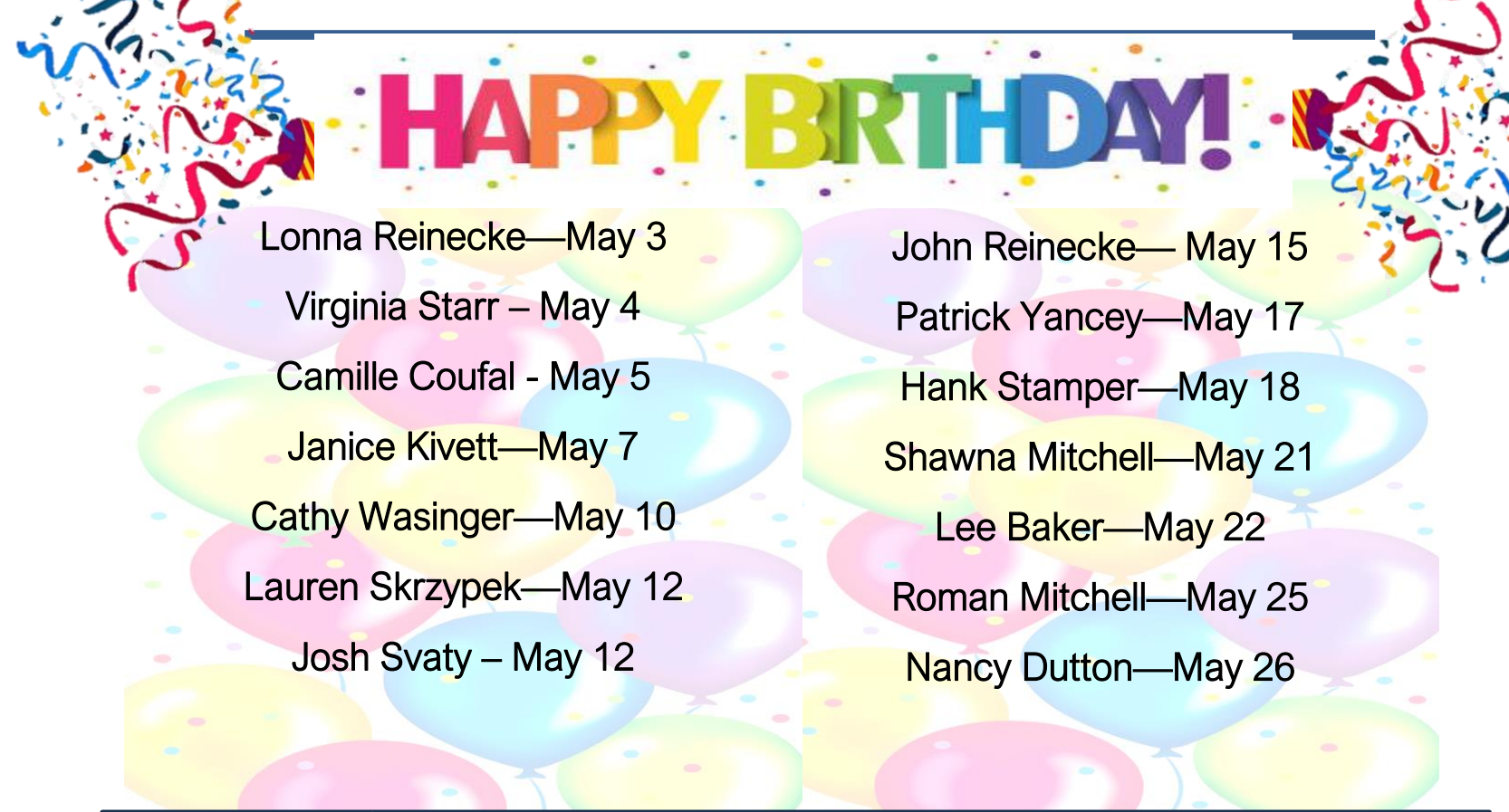


Maurine  
Wadley

GRADUATING FROM: TOPEKA HIGH  
FIELD OF STUDY: SOCIAL WORK, ART THERAPY  
ATTENDING THIS FALL: WASHBURN UNIVERSITY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				2:00 pm SC Pickleball 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir 6-8 pm One Heart basketball	6-8 pm One Heart basketball	8-11 am Blossoms
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Lonna Reinecke—May 3  
 Virginia Starr – May 4  
 Camille Coufal - May 5  
 Janice Kivett—May 7  
 Cathy Wasinger—May 10  
 Lauren Skrzypek—May 12  
 Josh Svaty – May 12

John Reinecke— May 15  
 Patrick Yancey—May 17  
 Hank Stamper—May 18  
 Shawna Mitchell—May 21  
 Lee Baker—May 22  
 Roman Mitchell—May 25  
 Nancy Dutton—May 26

John & Brenda Marsh—May 3—22 years  
 Peter & Wanda Bonnel—May 11—39 years  
 Josh & Kimberly Svaty – May 12 – 18 years

## Save these Dates!

Meals on Mondays - Every Monday Through May  
 5:30 – 6:30 pm

May 3 – Blossoms from 8-11:00 am  
 May 4<sup>th</sup> – No Youth Group

May 5<sup>th</sup> – PCUSA Co-Moderator Rev. Tony Larson Visiting MOMS  
 May 25<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group Picnic at Joe & Stephanie's Farm  
 May 27<sup>th</sup> – SPM at 6:30 pm

June 2<sup>nd</sup> – August 8<sup>th</sup> – Free Summer Lunch from 11-12:00 pm  
 June 8<sup>th</sup> – Pentecost - Wear Red!  
 June 15<sup>th</sup> -July 27<sup>th</sup> - Great Ends of the Church Series  
 June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – Road Trip Vacation Bible School from 8:30-11:30 am  
 June 27<sup>th</sup> - VBS Family Night  
 June 29<sup>th</sup> - VBS Sunday

July 4<sup>th</sup> – Independence Day Celebrations  
 July 30<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group Attending Royals Baseball Game