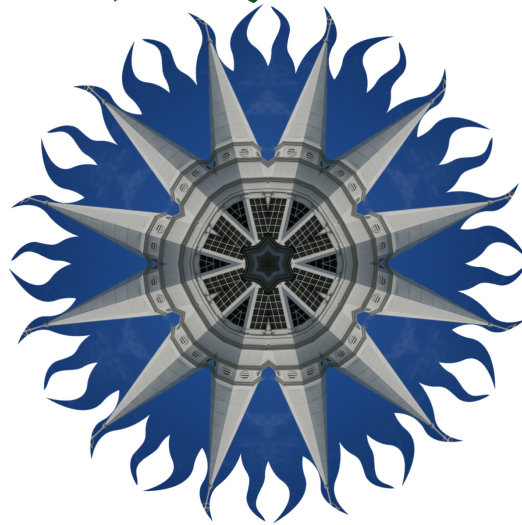


The Westminster Institute

Spring 2010



Learning, Fun and
Fellowship for All Ages

WHAT IS THE INSTITUTE?

We know that the members and friends of Westminster By-The-Sea have talents, hobbies and knowledge to share. We know that others are eager to come together for fun, fellowship, and to learn new skills or information. We are offering classes of various lengths, days and times for all ages. Any fees listed are merely to cover the cost of materials for the various classes. We encourage all of you to sign up and enjoy these opportunities and we look forward to many more of you sharing what you know in future semesters.

For more in-depth information or to register for classes contact Mary Ann Sumner at 756-2111 or at maflam@aol.com. Registration forms may be found in the narthex, in fellowship hall, or on our website at www.wbts.org. Return the forms to the church and we'll get you set up to attend. Please note that some class sizes are limited so register early. Classes are open to the community so feel free to let your friends know about the Institute!

Many classes are listed as TBD (to be determined). Once we have all the sign-ups completed for the classes the teachers will work with the class to plan the day and time the class will meet. We encourage everyone to sign up if you are interested in a subject even if there is a time listed.

ADULTS

Computer Class for Adults. TBD. Leader: Cecil Rice.

This course will help demystify much of the technology that's becoming more and more commonplace in homes, business, and even entertainment! This semester we will offer 1) Email, Office, and Other Applications at the end of January and 2) Internet Security and SAFETY in February. Each session will have prepared material and will welcome all questions (some questions may be answered AFTER the session for the sake of brevity, but all will be answered!)

Rubber Stamping/Card Making. Fourth Thursday of each month 9:30-11:30. Leader: Mary Ann Sumner. Come learn about this fun and easy art form and create greeting cards. No experience necessary! (Supply fee: \$5.00 per class).

Scrapbooking with a Purpose: A Gift to WBTS. TBD. Leader: Mary Ann Sumner

We have boxes of photos at WBTS that need to be organized into albums. Many of you have expressed an interest in learning the basics of scrapbooking. So we'll gather together and make scrapbooks for the church. You will learn the basics: color choices, tools, adhesives, etc. Once the project is finished you can translate what you have learned into your own scrapbooks and we can continue from there if the class is interested.

All Things Religious Considered. Tuesdays at 1:00. Leader: George Painter

This class continues from the spring with a study of the book "Death of the Mythic God," by Jim Marion. Since the class is halfway through the study, enrollment is closed at the present time.

Our Good Old Days. First Thursday each month. 1:00 Leader: Kitty French.

Have you ever watched your grandchildren and thought about how completely different their lives are than what you experienced growing up? Years ago I began jotting down memories of "My Good Old Days". Since those memories were clearer than what happened yesterday, it was fun to recall life in the 40s and 50s. As I look around our church there are so many untold stories that are interesting, exciting, and inspiring. These are stories you should share with your family. If you've always wanted to try this and just never got started let's get together and encourage each other to put pen to paper!

Tea Bag Folding. TBD. (2 sessions) Leader: Judy McLean.

No, we don't actually fold tea bags. Small pieces of decorative paper are folded into a unique shape and several pieces are joined together to make such things as cards, Christmas ornaments, frames and scrapbook pages. Remember that our imaginations have no limits!

Writing & Publishing 101 Continued. Sunday afternoons from 3 - 5. Leader: Bill Cummins
Start Building Your Book in 8 steps. Back by popular demand, these fun classes are designed for beginners and professionals of all ages. Those who wait to jump in never get started, and therefore never write their story. Steps include: Pick Your Topic; Determine Your Strategy; Write or Speak Your First Draft; Edit Your Draft; Interior Design; Cover Design & Cover Copy; Printing; and Shipping. Bill answers questions and gives insider secrets of writing and publishing not revealed before by any professional. Insider secret #1: "Always begin with the end in mind."

More Than One Way to Pray. (TBD) Leader: Cara Gee

In this monthly class we'll be exploring some different ways of praying. We'll look at some Biblical reflections, imaginative prayer, some contemplative prayer, life reflections and body prayers. These classes are designed to give you a variety of new ways to talk to God in your home life.

Knitting. 2nd Thursday of the Month at 10:00 in the Garden Room. Leader: Helen Chandler and members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

If you've always wanted to learn to knit, now is your chance. Join the prayer shawl team and learn the basics. You can work on a prayer shawl or your own project once you've learned.

Cooking in a Snowbird Kitchen. TBD. 2 sessions in February. Church kitchen. Leader: Judy Burks.

Love to cook in your own kitchen but find it difficult to do everything in your smaller "winter" kitchen? Then this class is for you. Join Judy as you learn to create more with less. This is also a great fellowship opportunity for our part-timers to get acquainted.

Understanding Lent. Wednesday February 17 10:00-11:00 and repeated from 7:00 - 8:00 after church supper. Leader: Jeff Sumner

Join Jeff on Ash Wednesday to learn the meaning and history of this forty day Christian season and get a take home quiz that explains the symbols of Lent.

Wednesday Bible Study. Wednesdays 11:00-12:00. Leader: Jeff Sumner

Rev. Sumner will hold a Bible Study that includes prayers and the study "The Present Word: International Bible Lessons." All participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles. The leader generally uses the New Revised Standard Version and the curriculum quotes from that version as well. But feel free to bring your favorite version of the Bible to class.

ALL AGES

Cartooning. Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 beginning February 3rd. Leader: Mike Williams. Come learn this fun art form and express your inner humor or thoughts. Students will be required to furnish a pencil and a few sheets of paper. Class is limited to 10 people of all ages.

Guitar Lessons. Mondays & Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Room 11 beginning January 9. Leader: Mike Williams.

"Loaner" guitars are available for anyone who needs one free of charge as long as needed. A second class may be added for more advanced guitarists (those who know which end to hold up). Everybody will learn something, even if it's that they're not meant to be guitarists. If there is sufficient interest, an additional class may be offered earlier in the day for people who have difficulty with night driving. We have guitars from 1/2 size to grand-concert size, so we have one to fit everyone. Give it a try! It's worth every penny it costs you!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Beginning Knitting. TBD. For ages 8 and up. Leaders: Helen Chandler and Prayer Shawl Ministries Team. Class is limited to 6 students.

Come learn one of the "coolest" crafts from the experts. You'll start with something simple and work up to making a prayer shawl if you're up to the challenge. (Supply fee: \$5.00).

Technology Safety Class for Teens: Twitter DOS and Twitter DONTs. January 17 from 4:30-6:00. Leader: Cecil Rice

Kids will be kids, and "experience is what you get, after you need it" ... these are sayings that adults have come to embrace and be thankful for the lessons they've learned, but, the kids today are faced with many different technology options that can take a mistake and make them pay for it for the rest of their lives. In this class we will impress upon the youth the importance of good old fashioned common sense when dealing with things such as the internet, Twitter, Facebook, MySpace, chatting, cell phone etiquette, sms texting, and more ...