

## Share the Love



Hands-on Project Working together to fill up comfort bags!

Most children move with nothing more than what fits in a grocery bag.

Join us in showing love to a child entering foster care or transitioning unexpectedly by filling a backpack with essential items.

### SACRED GROUNDS: CROWDED TABLE

Wednesday, April 24

10:30-11:30 am Westminster Cafe

Come hear about <u>Crowded Table</u>, a ministry which works with local churches to provide practical support to foster families and their caseworkers, through a partnership that started with Monroe Harding. "Nashville has more churches than foster families."

**Crowded Table** 



**RSVP** here



The Cafe's Sacred Grounds series is designed to shine a light on local nonprofits in our community by discussing the mission and needs of these organizations, including ways to volunteer.

### CREATE MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

#### FOR A MOM AT THE MARTHA O'BRYAN CENTER!



Fridays, April 26, and May 3 9:00-11:00 am ... come and go! Westminster Café

We need to create at least 50 homemade cards!
We will have a variety of approaches to make these cards extra special with such mediums as watercolor, glue, seeds, and recycled cards.



If you can join us, sign up here!

### BLESS YOUTH WITH A HOMEMADE MEAL

Did you know that JiL provides two meals per month for our Preston Taylor Ministry high schoolers? Almost every month during the school year, Linda Rue and Ann Schulze prepare a taco meal in the Westminster fellowship hall kitchen for students meeting for worship, fellowship, and mentoring time. A meal is also purchased for them once a month. All meals are taken at Calvin House, located next door to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (949 TS Jackson Ave).

Additional volunteers are needed to provide two complete homemade meals twice a month during the school year. If you are interested, please contact Beth Drake at beth@westminsterjoy.org.



If you would like to help with a taco meal, click here!



### HAVE YOU BEEN TO THE CAFE LATELY?

If not - come and take a look!



#### Cafe Hours: Tuesday-Friday | 8:00 am - noon

Park in the North Entrance by the blue outdoor umbrella!

We specialize in coffees, various teas, and cold drinks along with homemade yummies.

- Wifi available
- High chairs for our little ones.
- Booths
- Multiple outlets
- Breakout rooms for Zoom and conference calls.
- Open to all

Let us know if you would like to volunteer in the Café!



Ask us about our refrigerated items such as yogurt, cheese and other savory items.



### POTTERY RECAP



Over 7 weeks, the experienced pottery class created unique creations with fabulous new techniques!

Commented Janice Mann, "I'm so blessed to take part in the Joy in Learning pottery class. In this session, we learned four different techniques: carving, sgraffito, slip trailing, and transfers. I absolutely loved this experience!"

Over 4 weeks, the beginning pottery class experienced the joy of playing with clay along with learning basic techniques. In the end, they were surprised by the kiln's ability to melt and mix the glazes to create a one-of-a-kind piece!

Thank you to Nancy Quillman, Susan Spaulding, Sally Gracey, Cass Fagan, Joan Coode, and Jill Sink for leading and helping in this fabulous session!

Be on the Lookout! The Christmas Pottery Class will be open for registration soon!



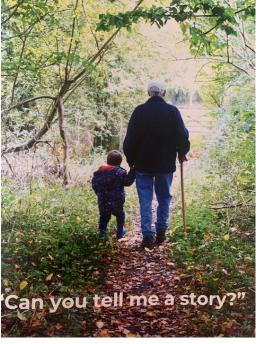


### A WORD OF THANKS

Who knew how much fun it was to paint with a pallet knife and brush? For four consecutive weeks, everyone looked forward to experiencing painting in a community while sharing stories of our lives. A big thank you to Emily Coleman who instructed the class and Lauren Anderson for helping her!

"Seven of us came together to learn new brush strokes and techniques of painting with acrylics. New friendships and creations under the capable guidance of Emily were the gifts of the several Wednesday afternoons at WPC. Thank you for this joy in learning!"—Ann Harris





# TELLING THE STORY WORKSHOP

Check out these booklets with stories and a poem written by participants in the Telling Your Story workshop. They may inspire you to write your own stories to share with your family. These booklets can be found around the church!

### NATIONS MINISTRY THIS SUMMER



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#### ARE YOU FREE FOR A DAY OR TWO?

Nations Ministry is looking for folks to help with their high schoolers this summer, teaching a small group or meeting one-on one with a student.

#### June 10-July 12

Hillcrest United Methodist Church 4112 Raywood Lane

If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please contact Beth Drake at westminsterjoy.org. **Days and times are flexible.** 

Learn more about Nations Ministry



Would you be willing to lead or help in a small group or meet one-on-one with a student about a topic below?

#### **Gardening Basics**

Preparing the Soil | What and How to Plant

#### Car Maintenance

Changing a Tire | Checking Oil and Other Fluids
Checking Tire Pressure | Jump Starting a Battery
Changing Wiper Blades
Reading Gauges and Warning Lights

#### **Financial Literacy**

Budgeting | Investing | Postsecondary Planning

#### Cooking

Communication in the Workplace

**Public Speaking & Presenting** 

Mental Health & Self-Care

**Conflict Resolution** 

#### **Professionalism**

(dress code, timeliness, conduct, etc.)

#### One-on-One

Resume Writing | Developing Interview Skills "Life Coaching," answering questions & giving advice



### RECAP: SHARING AND MAKING MEMORIES





## AN EVENT FOR ALL AGES

On March 20th, Joy in Learning and Congregational Care's Rise and Shine committee joined forces to create a memorable intergenerational morning in the Café.

We started by singing old familiar hymns like

"Softly and Tenderly",

"Peace Like a River",

"Be Still My Soul"

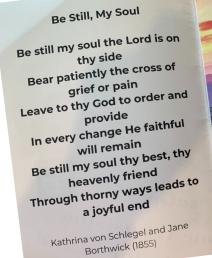
and many others.

When Peace Like a River
When peace like a river
attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows
roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast
taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my
soul."

Refrain
It is well with my soul:













We followed this with a table of sausage balls, "church" ice cream punch, pumpkin chocolate chip muffins, and tea wedding cookies. To continue the event, folks gathered around the various paint and craft tables. What a fun time with all ages enjoying each other!









The next Café Event for All Ages will be

Sunday, June 9 Homemade Ice Cream Social

with games, and Living Waters for the World water purification board!