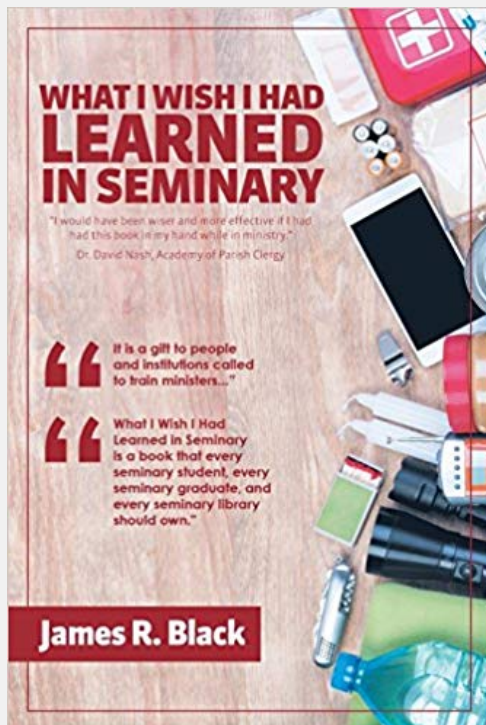




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REMINDER: If you have articles or information that you think would be appropriate for *The Homesteader*, please send them to Jes at the Presbytery!
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Get Lost in a Book



What I Wish I Had Learned in Seminary will empower you to remain in your labors and not fall into depression or be tempted to leave your High Calling.

"Though written in an accessible, conversational style, this book addresses a problem that is at the forefront of discussions about theological education today: how do we prepare individuals for the practical challenges that they will face in ministry. What do ministers wish they had learned in seminary? On one hand it is a practical guide for ministers - valuable reading for students and graduates alike. On the other, it is a gift to people and institutions called to train ministers - like an extensive answer to an exit survey for seminary graduates, but with a lifetime of experiences to draw upon. What I Wish I Had Learned in Seminary is a book that every seminary student, every seminary graduate, and every seminary library should own." Dr. Christopher Richardson, Head Seminary Librarian,

Homestead's Process of Discernment pt. 2



CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR SATURDAY'S DAY OF DISCERNMENT!

PLEASE NOTE that we will be meeting at [First Presbyterian Church in Lincoln](#)-840 South 17th Street **INSTEAD** of at Calvin Crest due to the rain washing out the camp's roads.

8:30am-Coffee & Refreshments
9:00am - Worship

PARKING FOR SATURDAY: Please utilize the WEST lot on the corner of 17th & G Street or the EAST Lot at 18th and F Street

NEW Ecumenical Center for Clergy Spiritual Renewal

A generous Lilly Endowment grant makes it possible for 19 clergy to experience the rich blessings of renewal through the rhythms of monastic life and community. The immersion program will give clergy the chance to do something they rarely have the time or the opportunity to do, and that is to listen—deeply listen to God, one another, and themselves. For thousands of years, monasteries have provided sacred space and rhythms for renewal where individuals can listen deeply for God's Spirit, then courageously respond to what they hear. If you hunger for that in your ministry and seek to serve your congregation and communities with renewed energy and commitment, we invite you to explore this program.

The two Immersions are *June 21- July 1, 2019 and January 24- 29, 2020*

Applications for the first cohort are due by March 31, 2019

For more information please visit: <https://benedictinewomen.org/eccsr>

Call: The Reverends Nancy Enderle or Jerry Buss – Co-Directors of the ECCSR (608) 836-1631

Westminster Pledges it's commitment to

–Homestead Presbytery is pleased to announce the list of congregations certified as an Earth Care Congregation by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Presbyterian Hunger Program through February 2020. This honor speaks to the great commitment that these churches have to caring for God's earth.



To become an Earth Care Congregation, ***Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lincoln*** affirmed an Earth Care Pledge to integrate environmental practices and thinking into all facets of church life and completed projects and activities in the fields of worship, education, facilities, and outreach.

The Earth Care Congregation certification is designed to recognize churches that make the commitment to take seriously God's charge to "till and keep" the garden.

Started in 2010 by PC(USA) Environmental Ministries, the goal of this program is to inspire churches to care for God's earth in a holistic way, through integrating earth care into all aspects of their church life. The Earth Care Congregation certification honors churches that make that commitment and encourages others to follow their example.

"It is exciting that Homestead Presbytery is home to 1 of the 232 churches that chose to dedicate themselves to intentional care of God's earth this year. The congregation's activities and commitment will inspire others to respond intentionally to God's call to care for the earth," says Jessica Maudlin, Associate for Sustainable Living and Earth Care Concerns for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

For more information about Westminster's earth care program contact Laurel Van Ham Pappas at vanpap@windstream.net

For more information on the Earth Care Congregations program visit www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations.

Words to Remember

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.'"

-Genesis 1:26

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