

Westminster Presbyterian Church

A Telling Presence in the City

Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019



Palm Branches, illustration by Barbara Beshoar McIlrath

We enter this church not as strangers, but as children of God.

Welcome to Westminster

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, mission, and programs. Large-print hymnals, hearing assistance devices, and Hearing Loop information available from ushers.

If you are new to Westminster

Parking On Sundays, if you are able to walk, please park at Orchestra Hall to leave space in the underground parking for visitors, families with young children, and those who have walking difficulties. At Orchestra Hall, take a ticket as you enter; get a parking voucher at Westminster; use the ticket and voucher to exit. Westminster underground parking is accessed from Alice Rainville Place between Marquette and Nicollet, and there is a drop off area on Marquette Ave.

Nursery Care is available for infants through age 3 during worship and Education Hour.

Coffee Hour Join us for fair trade coffee and refreshments after worship in the Commons.

Education for all ages, Sundays at 9:15 am Church School (ages 3–high school), Family Matters, Lenten Covenant Groups, Virtues & Values. Children’s Church for ages 4-1st grade during 10:30 worship.

Interested in membership? The next new member class is May 5. To learn more, visit westminstermpls.org/membership or contact Rev. Meghan Gage-Finn, mgage-finn@wpc-mpls.org, or Janice Teliczan, jteliczan@wpc-mpls.org.

If you seek to deepen your involvement

Faith in Action Get involved in serving and seeking justice. Contact Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler, atylers@wpc-mpls.org.

Families, Youth, and Children Connect with children’s choirs, parent offerings, and special events. Contact Rev. Matthew Johnson, mjohnson@wpc-mpls.org. For youth activities, contact Jim Cochrane, jcochrane@wpc-mpls.org.

Fellowship Enjoy fellowship with other members of the church. Contact Rev. Sarah Brouwer, sbrouwer@wpc-mpls.org.

Other worship and prayer opportunities

Prayer Companions Sundays, 11:30 am, Chapel, share concerns and joys with a prayer companion

Gathered at Five Sundays, 5 pm, Westminster Hall, casual worship

Centering Prayer Wednesdays, 11:30 am during Lent, Bates Rm

The Clearing Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Westminster Hall, Taizé worship

Quiet Worship 3rd Saturday of the month, 9 am, Bushnell Rm

Westminster Cares

Births, Adoptions, Baptisms Contact Janice Teliczan, jteliczan@wpc-mpls.org.

For Pastoral Care Notify Deb Wagner of hospitalization, illness, death, or prayer requests, dwagner@wpc-mpls.org.

Blood Pressure Screenings 3rd Sunday, 9-10:30 am, Bushnell Rm; 10:30-noon, Bates Rm

The Westminster Counseling Center offers pastoral counseling for individuals, couples, families, and children. Visit westminstercounseling.org or call 612.332.7743.

April 14, 2019

10:30 am

Preparing for the Word

Our service begins with the Prelude, inviting us to prepare for worship.

Prelude *Pièce Héroïque*

César Franck

Melanie Ohnstad, organ

Our Life in Christ

Meghan K. Gage-Finn

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

As the morning greeting is offered, please complete the friendship folder found in your pew, and pass it to your neighbor. If your child/ren will attend Children's Church during the 10:30 service, please fill out nametags for them from the friendship folder.

The Triumphal Entry Luke 19:28-40 (NT, p. 72)

Choral Introit *Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates*

William Walton

Westminster Choir, Amanda Weber, conductor

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,
and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors,
and the King of glory shall come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord strong and mighty,
the Lord mighty in battle.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.

***Call to Worship** (from Zech. 9)

One: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

All: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

One: Lo, your king comes to you;

All: triumphant and victorious is he,

One: humble and riding on a donkey,

All: on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

One: Let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn No. 196** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

* Please stand as you are able.

Opening Prayer (Unison)

David Shinn

We praise you, O God, for your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ, who entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Let these branches be signs of his victory, and grant that we who carry them may follow him in the way of the cross, that, dying and rising with him, we may enter into your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Listening for the Word

A Time with Children

Alanna Simone Tyler

Following A Time with Children, children ages 4–1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

Prayer for Illumination

Paul Arbisi

Before the reading of scripture we pray that God will illumine our understanding.

Reading from Holy Scripture Isaiah 50:4-9a (OT, p. 640)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Is Palm Sunday an Act of Resistance?*

Timothy Hart-Andersen

Responding to the Word

***Hymn No. 198** *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Matthew Johnson

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory Sentences One Great Hour of Sharing Offering received

Having heard the Word, we now respond in gratitude by giving. Please place your offering in the plate, or give via the tithe.ly app.

Offertory Anthem *Behold the Lamb of God* from *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world.

Prayer of Dedication for the Offering Received

The Betrayal and Arrest Luke 22:39-42, 45-54a (NT, p. 75)

Hymn No. 223 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Please remain seated. During the singing of the hymn, crosses will be processed. You are invited to meditate upon the crosses in silence.

Silent Reflection

Benediction

The people respond with "Amen" and remain seated for the Postlude.

Postlude *Herzliebster Jesu*

Johannes Brahms

This Sunday

8:15-11:30 am Nursery care, infants to age 3

8:30 am Worship Service, Chapel

9:15 am Education Hour: Church School; Family Matters; Adult Choir; Virtues & Values

10:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:30 am Prayer Companions, Chapel; Bells info session, Meisel Rm.

5 pm Gathered at Five, Westminster Hall

Westminster Gallery *Forty Years On: Richard Bresnahan and Artists of the Saint John's Pottery.* Contact Dr. Rodney Allen Schwartz, rschwartz@wpc-mpls.org.

BIRTHS

Ethan Benjamin Klimisch

Owen Michael Klimisch

March 24, 2019

Coming Up

Congregational Care

Contact Deb Wagner, 612.332.3421 or dwagner@wpc-mpls.org unless noted.

New Old Adventure, Wed April 17 & 24,

10:30 am, Meisel Rm. Discussion of *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande Questions, contact Nancy Slaughter, 612.338.0733.

Magnet Senior Center, April 15, 29, 10 am,

Aging with Gusto; **April 17, 24, May 1, 8,**

10 am, Great Decisions lecture series on foreign policy. Questions? Contact Angelique Kingsbury, akingsbury@wpc-mpls.org.

Westminster Meal Ministry seeks members willing to provide meals via Bite Squad, restaurant gift cards, deliver take-out OR a home-cooked meal. To join the team, please

email westminstermealministry@gmail.com.

Grief Support Group, Saturdays, 9:30 am,

Basilica of St. Mary, April 20, Tom Reddin

tells a personal story about grief. Info, 612.317.3454 or mplsgriefsupport.org.

Caregivers Support Group meets the second Saturday of the month. Contact Elsa Peet for info, 763.588.8361 or efpeet@comcast.net.

Educational Ministries

Contact Carmel Tinnes, ctinnes@wpc-mpls.org unless noted.

Adult Education resumes April 28: Plenary presentation with Matt Skinner.

Wednesdays: WOW Bible studies (9 am); Centering Prayer (11:30 am); *Living the Faith in the 21st Century* (5:30 pm).

Devotional Chair Yoga, Join in this free gentle stretch and devotion time, Wednesdays, May 1-June 5, 11 am-noon.

Faith in Action

Contact Alanna Simone Tyler, at Tyler@wpc-mpls.org unless noted.

The Social Justice Forum Social Justice resumes April 28: *Protecting the Boundary Waters from Mining*, Tom Landwehr.

Families, Youth & Children

Contact Matt Johnson, mjohnson@wpc-mpls.org unless noted.

Wed, Apr 17, No evening FYC programming.

Wednesdays: Moms Group (10:30 am); Parent-Child Time Together (6 pm); 9th grade Confirmation (6:15 pm).

Today, 11:45 am: Summer Mission Trips info Mtg, Fellowship Hall; **5 pm,** Off-site, HS house group. Questions? Contact Jim Cochrane, jcochrane@wpc-mpls.org.

Sat, April 20, 9 am, HS youth Easter flower set-up.

Fellowship

Contact Sarah Brouwer, sbrouwer@wpc-mpls.org unless noted.

Women's Spring Retreat, May 3-5, Clearwater Forest, Rev. Anna Kendig leads the retreat. Register in Westminster Commons.

St. David's Center

Contact Jane Ranum, jsranum@comcast.net.

Foster Care Info Session, Saturday, April 27 10 am, Come learn about being a foster care family or respite provider.

Stewardship

Contact Mary Hess, mhess@wpc-mpls.org.

Westminster Bells Information Session:

Today, 11:30 am, Meisel Rm., Learn about plans to add a six-bell carillon to Westminster's Rose Tower and how you can be part of this exciting opportunity, light refreshments served.

Town Hall Forum

Contact Susan McKenna, 612.332.3421 or smckenna@wpc-mpls.org.

Tues, April 30, noon, Join Barbara Brown Taylor, for her presentation *Finding God in the Faith of Others*. Music with Aaron Humble and Melanie Ohnstad precedes the forum at 11:30am; public reception and book signing follow. Free and open to all.

Worship

Gathered at Five, Sundays, 5 pm

Palm Sunday and Easter at *Gathered at Five* will include all the traditional stories, with plenty of non-traditional twists. If you're eager for an intimate, casual, foot-tapping kind of Holy Week, then join us for these services this evening and on Easter.

The Clearing, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm Note:

The Clearing will not gather on April 17.

Maundy Thursday, April 18, Westminster Hall,

"Come to the Table," Mediterranean meal and worship at table. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm; worship at 6:30. Dinner is \$10 adults; \$5 for 12 and under; 3 and under free; family max. \$30. To volunteer for this event, please contact Sarah, sbrouwer@wpc-mpls.org.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, April 14

8:30 & 10:30 am, Tim Hart-Andersen

5 pm *Gathered at Five*, Alanna Simone Tyler

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Noon, David Shinn

5:30 pm, dinner

6:30 pm, worship, Tim Hart-Andersen

Good Friday, April 19

Noon, Service of Tenebrae, GMCC

Saturday April 20

Quiet Worship, 9 am, Tim & Beth Hart-Andersen

Easter Vigil, 8 pm, Tim Hart-Andersen, Meghan Gage-Finn

Easter, April 21

7 am Jazz service with Thomasina Petrus & Tom West; Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

9 & 11 am: Tim Hart-Andersen

5 pm *Gathered at Five*: Sarah Brouwer

Today's Worship Leadership

Rev. Dr. Timothy Hart-Andersen, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Meghan K. Gage-Finn, *Executive Associate Pastor*

Rev. Matthew Johnson, *Interim Associate Pastor, Families, Youth, and Children*

Rev. David Shinn, *Associate Pastor, Congregational Care*

Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler, *Associate Pastor, Justice and Mission*

Dr. Melanie Ohnstad, *Minister of Music and the Arts/Organist*

Dr. Amanda Weber, *Interim Director of Choral Ministries*

The Westminster Choir

Paul Arbisi, *Lay Reader*

For full Westminster staff listing and contact information, please visit westminstermpls.org.

Westminster Affiliated Boards

Westminster Camp Ajawah, ajawah.org

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Westminster Town Hall Forum, westminsterforum.org



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Daily Phone Devotions

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April 14..... Luke 19:28-40
15..... John 12:1-11
16..... 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
17..... Hebrews 12:1-3
18..... Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
19..... Isaiah 52:13-53:12
20..... Matthew 27:57-66
21..... Acts 10:34-43