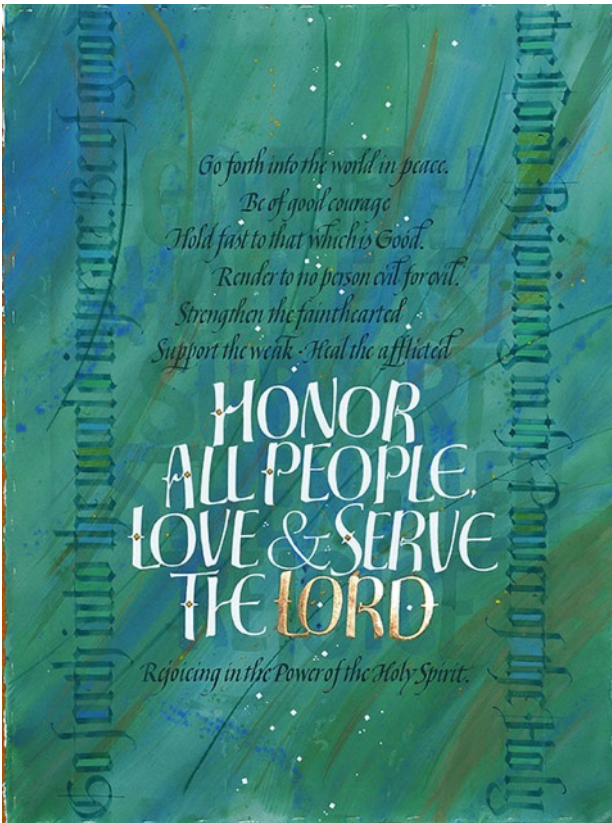


Westminster Presbyterian Church

A Telling Presence in the City

Sunday, May 19, 2019



The Charge, by Diane von Arx, calligraphy, 2015
The Westminster Collection, on view near the sanctuary

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, and use both 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 Hour, Sundays at 9:15 am Virtues & Values. *Church School, Children's Church, Family Matters, Adult Ed., Social Justice Forum resume in the fall.*

Interested in membership? 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, at Tyler@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, Noon, 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.

Prelude

Antiphon

Arnold B. Sherman
Westminster Handbell Choir; Mark Kieffer, director

Våren (Spring)

Edvard Grieg
Kristina Lantz, violin

Shall I Compare Thee?

Stephen Paulus
Laura Sewell, cello

Trumpet Concerto, III. Rondo

Franz Joseph Haydn
Douglas Carlsen, trumpet

Ag Críost an Síol (sung in Gaelic)

S.O. Riada, arr. M. Armstrong
J D. Shaffer, tenor

Christ's is the Seed	From Birth to age
Christ's is the Harvest	And from age to death,
Into God's barn	May your two arms, O Christ,
May we be brought.	Be around us.

Christ's is the sea	From Death to the end
Christ's is the fish	Not the end but a rebirth,
In the nets of God	In the Paradise of Graces
May we be caught.	May we be.

Suite Italienne, Introduzione and Serenata
Sonata in D major, IV. Tambourin

Igor Stavinsky
Jean-Marie LeClair
Michael Sutton, violin

May 19, 2019

10:30 am

Preparing for the Word

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

Welcome

Timothy Hart-Andersen

Prelude (See insert)

Melanie Ohnstad and friends

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, please fill out nametags for them from the friendship folder.

Commissioning of Alanna Simone Tyler to South Sudan Trip

***Call to Worship** (from Psalm 96)

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

One: Sing and give praise to God's name;

All: tell the good news of salvation from day to day.

One: Let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn No. 641** *When In Our Music God Is Glorified* (vss. 1-3)

Jeffrey Gram, timpani

Thanksgiving for the Church School Year

Jim Cochrane, Abigail Willson, Steve Snyder, Carmel Tinnes, Matthew Johnson

Processional Hymn No. 641 *When In Our Music God Is Glorified* (vss. 4-5)

Parents please stand so your children can find you in the pews.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (Unison)

God of earth and wind, beauty and music, we gather today mindful of the many gifts you give. We rejoice in the sounds of creation. We delight in goodness that abounds. Yet, we look past the brokenness of the world and often ignore the cries of those in distress. Forgive us, we pray. Teach us to live responsibly with others. And help us to pursue the way of Jesus, whose mercy is never-ending. Amen.

* Please stand as you are able.

***Sung Response, Hymn No. 155** *Jubilate Deo* (Sung in Latin)

Janice Teliczan, cantor; Abigail Karels, flute; Sarah Young, cello

At this time, children ages 4-1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Sarah Brouwer

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

Reading from Holy Scripture

Psalm 98 (OT, p. 514)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Meditation *What Song Shall We Sing?*

Timothy Hart-Andersen

Responding to the Word

***Hymn No. 716** *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* (vs. 1)

The Reception of New Members

Sacrament of Baptism

Vincent Thomas

***Affirmation of Faith** (from the United Church of Canada)

Alanna Simone Tyler

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Covenant of Membership Questions

Introduction of New Members

***Congregational Response**

In the name of Christ, we welcome you to Westminster. We will celebrate the good news of Jesus with you and nourish our faith together. As followers of Jesus, we promise to work with you for love, peace, and justice, to be a telling presence in the city and beyond. Thanks be to God!

***Hymn No. 716** *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* (vss. 2-3)

Offertory Sentences (Global Partners Offering received)

David Shinn

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 *Sing to the Lord* (See insert for congregational participation)

Hollis Thoms; Alyssa Impullitti, solo

***Sung Response** *O God Beyond All Praising*

Gustav Holst

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

***Prayer of Dedication for the Offering Received**

***Hymn** *Go Forth for God, Go!* (See insert for congregational participation)

Tom Trenney

Commissioned in loving celebration of, and with deep gratitude for, Dr. Melanie Ohnstad's outstanding service as Minister of Music and the Arts and Organist at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, 1995-2019

***Charge and Benediction**

The people respond with "Amen." Please be seated for the Postlude.

Postlude *Sine nomine*

John Weaver

I selected today's postlude to lovingly celebrate the communion of saints here gathered and the saints gone before. This composition combines Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Sine Nomine* with Joseph Barnby's *Sarum* (an earlier tune associated with *For All the Saints*) and also employs the New Orleans Jazz funeral march, *When the Saints Come Marching In*. Never before heard at Westminster, *Sine Nomine* is a joyous statement of my deep gratitude for the privilege of service to the Westminster congregation. —Melanie

Welcome New Members

Carl Allen

Bob Oliveria

Karen Campbell

Dee Oliveria

Sean Costigan

Eleanor Peacock

Thomas Elton

Sandy Perez

Alexander Brown Erickson

Andrea Scherer

Mike Everetts

Kathleen Schulenberg

Jessica Hancock-Allen

Thomas Schulenberg

Jette Johnson

John Simmelink

Marilyn Leifgren

Kathleen Simmelink

Kathryn Lovrien

Sing to the Lord, — Sing to the Lord, — Sing to the Lord a new song.
 Praise the — Lord, — Praise the — Lord. — Sing praise to God with one voice.

Shout with thanks-gi - ving, shout Al-le-lu - ia! Sing to the Lord, now! Sing to the Lord, — now!

Go Forth for God, Go!

Text: John Raphael Peacey

Tune: LITTON by Erik Routley

Arr. Tom Trenney

All 1. Go forth for God; go — to the world in peace;
Choir Only 2. Go forth for God; go — to the world in love;
 3. Go forth for God; go — to the world in strength;
All 4. Go forth for God; go — to the world in joy;

be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly — grace,
 strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the — weak;
 hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the — right;
 to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and — hour,

in God's good spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
 help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
 ren - der to no — one e - vil; Christ at length
 and serv - ing Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,

till in his king - dom we — be - hold his — face.
 his love sup - plies the grace — and — power we — seek.
 shall o - ver - come all dark - ness — with his — light.
 re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly — Spi - rit's — power.

What an honor to have a hymn commissioned for my farewell Sunday as Westminster's Minister of Music and the Arts, Organist! Given the privilege of selecting text, tune, and composer for this project, I wanted to help birth something both enduring and endearing for you and for me. Thus it was I turned to the benediction already living in our collective heart, "go into the world in peace..." I rejoice that we now have a glorious musical setting by Tom Trenney to carry us forth in even greater measures of peace, love, strength, and joy. —Melanie

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Church baptizes adults who have not previously been baptized when they profess faith in Jesus Christ.

Andrea Scherer

TODAY'S FLOWERS

In loving memory of
John Skogmo
by Katie McCurry & Eric Adams

In honor of
Melanie Ohnstad

DEATH

Shirlee Bates, May 11, 2019

This Sunday

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

8:30 am Worship Service, Chapel

9 am Blood pressure screening, Bushnell Rm.

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

10:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:30 am Reception for Melanie Ohnstad, Westminster Hall; Prayer Companions, Chapel; Blood pressure screening, Bates Rm; Summer Open Door tour guide info meeting, Trinity Conference Rm.

5 pm Gathered at Five, Westminster Hall

Westminster Gallery *Standing Hand in Hand* opens today. Contact Dr. Rodney Allen Schwartz, rschwartz@wpc-mpls.org.

Coming Up

Congregational Care

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

Magnet Senior Center, May 22, 10 am,

Historian Karen Cooper on *The Sandman of Minnehaha Falls*. Questions? Contact Angelique Kingsbury, akingsbury@wpc-mpls.org.

Grief Support Group, Saturdays, 9:30 am, Central Lutheran Church, May 25,

Linda Pleissner, *Lessons Learned from Grief*. 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 Ed. *is on summer break after today.*

Wednesdays: Centering Prayer (noon)

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

Faith in Action

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

Social Justice Forum is on summer break.

FEAST, May 26, 4-7 pm, Help serve a meal to those who are hungry. Sign up with Angelique Kingsbury, akingsbury@wpc-mpls.org.

Families, Youth & Children

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

Today is the last day of Church School and Family Matters.

Nursery-Age Playtime, Wednesdays, through May 29, 10:30 am, Nursery.

Summer Nursery Hours begin next Sunday, 9:45-11 am.

Music

Celebrating Dr. Melanie Ohnstad

Today is Melanie's last Sunday—extended prelude begins at 10 am. Light lunch reception following worship.

Summer Choir Summers are a perfect time to give singing a try! Join us on Sundays at 8:45 am in the choir room to learn a simple anthem for 10 am worship. Come as you are able; all are welcome. Questions? Contact Amanda, aweber@wpc-mpls.org.

Traveling Seminar

Join Tim Hart-Andersen and Kathy Michael to explore the cathedrals of Spain and Portugal, April 20-May 3, 2020. Registration begins in June. Contact Kathy to put your name on the interested list—even if you've already expressed interest, dkmich4@aol.com.

Volunteer Opportunity

Summer Open Door Tour Guides Info Meeting, Today, 11:30, Trinity Conference Rm., Help welcome visitors to Westminster this summer! You can choose the dates you want to volunteer. Learn more at today's meeting. Questions? Contact Nancy Morin, nmorin1999@usfamily.net.

Worship

Gathered at Five, Sundays, 5 pm

Casual, contemporary worship.

The Clearing, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

Contemplative worship.

Summer Sunday Worship, Beginning next Sunday, May 26, there will be one morning service at 10 am, and Gathered at Five at 5 pm.

Baccalaureate Sunday, June 2,

10 am service If you have a high school, college, or graduate student completing a degree this year who would like to be recognized as part of Baccalaureate Sunday, please contact Meghan at mgage-finn@wpc-mpls.org today.

Join us for Bluegrass Evening Prayer, Wednesdays in June

Outdoor plaza
Nicollet Mall side of church

5:30 pm Hymn sing-a-long
6 pm Worship
6:30 pm Dinner

The service will be joy-filled, participatory, and family-friendly! All are welcome!

Today's Worship Leadership

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

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

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

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

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

Westminster Handbell Choir, Mark Kieffer, Director

Jeffrey Gram, timpani

Kristina Lantz, violin

Laura Sewell, cello

Douglas Carlsen, trumpet

J D. Shaffer, tenor

Michael Sutton, violin

Kathy Fisher, *Lay reader*

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May 19 John 13:31-35
20 Psalm 133
21 Leviticus 19:9-18
22 Luke 10:25-28
23 Acts 16:9-15
24 Psalm 67
25 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
26 John 5:1-9