Together we are the Body of Christ. While apart, we covenant still to be the church. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

The Westminster Collection

The Good Shepherd, by Caridad Trujillo, cotton applique and embroidery, Cuba, 2017

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Preparing for the Word

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

Prelude

*Syrinx*

Claude Debussy
Karen Wasiluk, flute

Lenten Greeting

One: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Call to Worship (from Psalm 116)

One: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?
**All:** We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.
One: Let us worship God.

**Hymn No. 509 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**

Dr. Amanda Weber, Sam Baker cantors; Kenneth Vigne, piano
Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We are silent in the face of evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer.

Silent Prayers of Confession Worshippers seek and reflect on God’s forgiveness in their own lives.

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Friends, hear the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Listening for the Word

A Time with Children
Rev. Alexandra Mauney

Prayer for Illumination
John Greenwald

Readings from Holy Scripture

John 10:1-10
Psalm 23 (Unison)
One: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Prayer as Listening
Rev. Dr. Timothy Hart-Andersen
Responding to the Word

**Hymn No. 465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
3 Are we weak and heavy laden, burdened with a load of care?

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!  
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.
Offertory Sentences
We give in response to God's blessings. Worshippers are invited to use the “Give” link on the livestream page or the Tithe.ly church app, or mail a check to support the mission and ministry of Westminster.

Offertory *Shepherd Me, O God* Marty Haugen

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

One: Let us pray...

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

The Distribution of Bread and Cup

Music During Distribution Hymn No. 507 *Come to the Table of Grace*

1 Come to the table of grace. This is God’s table; it’s not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

2 Come to the table of peace...
3 Come to the table of love...
4 Come to the table of hope...
5 Come to the table of joy...
Hymn No. 187 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
2. We are yours: in love befriend us; be the guardian of our way.
3. You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
   early let us seek your favor; early let us do your will.
4. In your pleasant pastures feed us; for our use your fold prepare.
   Keep your flock: from sin defend us; seek us when we go astray.
   You have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.
   Blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us; love us still.
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Charge and Benediction
The people respond with “Amen.”

Passing of the Peace
Since the earliest days of the Christian Church, worshippers have greeted each other with a sign of peace. All are invited to offer a verbal greeting, such as: “Peace be with you.”

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

Postlude Sonata for Flute and Piano Mvt. 1

Francis Poulenc
Coffee Hour Zoom link
https://zoom.us/j/99399406329?pwd=YnlDMUZ3N3VuTGxDTTTZ4R05FdU1tQT09

Coffee Hour Phone link
888-788-0099 -or- 877-853-5247 (US Toll-free)
Meeting ID: 993 9940 6329    Passcode: 832728

March 7: Westminster’s LGBTQ+ Small Group
Find out what brought some of Westminster’s LGBTQ+ folk to bond together and form a small group. What do they do at their meetings and what needs does this group fulfill for its members?

Notice of Death
Paul Hays, February 24, 2021

Daily Phone Devotions
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March 7............................. John 2:13-22
8 ........................................ Psalm 84
9 ........................................ Hebrews 9:23-28
10 ................................. Mark 11:15-19
11 ..................................... Numbers 21:4-9
12 .................................. Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
13 .................................... Ephesians 2:1-10
14 ..................................... John 3:14-21

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Sundays 9:15 am Learning Hour
10:30 am Worship, 5 pm Gathered at Five
Lenten Wednesdays Noon and 6 pm
This Week at Westminster

**Sunday, March 7, 2021**
8 am | **Family Matters**

9 am | **Family Education Hour**

9:15 am | **Lenten Covenant Groups**

10 am | **NEXT Church National Gathering**

10:30 am | **Worship:** Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen, preaching | **Livestream**

After the 10:30 am Worship | Coffee Hour: LGBTQ+ Small Group

1 pm | **Human Growth and Sexuality Workshop**

4 pm | **Youth Group**

5 pm | **Gathered at 5:** Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen, preaching | **Livestream**

**Monday, March 8, 2021**
7 pm | **The Bible Then and Now**

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021**
4 pm | **Youth Group Coffee Shop**

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**
9 am | **Women’s Bible Study**

11 am | **New Old Adventure**

11:30 am | **Centering Prayer**

Noon | **Lenten Midday Worship** | **Livestream**

1:30 pm | **Moms Group**
5:45 pm | FYC Wednesday Night Programming

6 pm | Lenten Taizé Worship | Livestream

7 pm | WestConnect

**Thursday, March 11, 2021**

**Friday, March 12, 2021**
All day | Senior High Retreat Weekend

8:30 pm | Dads Group

**Saturday, March 13, 2021**
All day | Senior High Retreat Weekend

9 am | Listening Session: Phase 2.5

10 am | Jesus: Our Model of Vulnerability and Courage

**Sunday, March 14, 2021**
All day | Senior High Retreat Weekend

8 am | Family Matters

9 am | Family Education Hour

9:15 am | Lenten Covenant Groups

10:30 am | Worship: Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen, preaching | Livestream

After the 10:30 am Worship | Coffee Hour

1 pm | Small Hands, Big Hearts

2 pm | Mission Trip Planning

4 pm | Youth Group

5 pm | Gathered at 5: Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen, preaching | Livestream