

Westminster Presbyterian Church

A Telling Presence in the City

Martin Luther King Jr. Sunday, January 16, 2022



I've been to the mountaintop, by Trina, silkscreen, 1969
The Westminster Collection

Westminster is the church in the world, online and in person.
We belong to one another and to God. Thanks be to God!

Preparing for the Word

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

Prelude

Prelude on We Shall Overcome

Toccata on Great Day

Adolphus Hailstork
Kenneth Vigne, organ

Our Life in Christ

The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen

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

Greetings from Liberty Community Church

The Rev. Katherine Lankford

***Call to Worship** (from Psalm 133)

One: How very good and pleasant it is

All: when kindred live together in unity!

One: Let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn** No. 339 *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, we confess we have been enticed and led astray by idols. We have focused on returning to normal rather than remaining alert for new ways to serve you and our neighbors. We have refused to join you in building the great world house where all God's people live together in peace. Those who came before us sang about freedom, but we have fallen silent. According to your steadfast love, have mercy on us and forgive us. Give us powerful dreams again and set us free to courageously follow the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

Sung Response Hymn No. 792 *There is a Balm in Gilead* (vs. 1 only)

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. Alleluia! Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.

Listening for the Word

Readings from Holy Scripture

Vincent Thomas

John 2:9-11 (NT, p. 80-81)

I Corinthians 12:1-11 (NT, p. 152-153)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Charismatic Anathema*

The Rev. Anthony Jermaine Ross-Allam

Responding to the Word

***Hymn** No. 775 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me/I'm Determined to Walk with Jesus*

Marilyn E. Thornton

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler

Presentation of the Baptisand

Rowan Edward Crouch-Dodson, child of Kelsey and Taylor Crouch-Dodson

Questions to the Parents and Congregation

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

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.

Prayer over the Water

Baptism

***Congregational Response**

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to Westminster and to the fellowship of Christ's Church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, to serve that gospel alongside you, and to help you know and follow Christ.

***Sung Baptismal Response** Hymn No. 492 *You Belong to Christ*

(First time, choir; second time congregation)

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Offertory Invitation

You are invited to give online via Realm or by placing your donation in the offertory plates as you leave. To learn more about how to make a gift online, please see the back of the bulletin. Thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of Westminster.

Offertory Anthem / *Dream a World*

Text: Langston Hughes, Music: André Thomas

I dream a world where man no other man will scorn, where love will bless the earth and peace its paths adorn. I dream a world where all will know sweet freedom's way, where greed no longer saps the soul nor avarice blights our day. A world I dream where black or white, whatever race you be, will share the bounties of the earth and every man is free, where wretchedness will hang its head and joy, like a pearl, attends the needs of all mankind--of such I dream, my world!

Prayer of Dedication for the Offerings Received

***Hymn** No. 741 *Guide My Feet*

***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 *Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land*

arr. Kenneth Vigne

Westminster Welcomes the Rev. Anthony Jermaine Ross-Allam, who previously served as associate pastor at Liberty Community and Oak Grove Presbyterian churches before becoming a doctoral candidate in Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

Welcome! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, mission, and programs.

In-person Coffee Hour on Hiatus With the winter weather, we have paused in-person Coffee Hour during January and will re-assess for February. In the meantime, you are invited to join the ongoing Zoom Coffee Hour (details below).

Welcome, Children! Westminster welcomes children of all ages to participate in our worship. If, for any reason, you and your child need to leave the sanctuary, you can visit the Tower Room in the southwest corner off the balcony for a kid-friendly space.

Wednesday Worship Join us every Wednesday evening at 6 pm for Silence & Song worship in Westminster Hall and on livestream: westminstermpls.online.church

Get Involved

Visit the New Westminster Gallery Exhibition

A new gallery exhibition opens today. *Hope and Healing in Pandemic Times* is an exhibition of the Interfaith Artist Circle.

Learn from Guest Speaker for All-Church Book Read

Next Sunday the All-Church Book Read welcomes Travis Zimmerman, a member of the Ojibway tribe and the director of the Milaca Indian Museum, who will lead a presentation on this year's book, *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich. Join at 9:15 am January 23 in Westminster Hall and Livestream.

Donate to Groveland Food Shelf this January

The Hunger Ministry Team invites donations of toilet paper, facial tissues, canned meat and fish, and energy and granola bars. Place items in donation boxes located near the entrances of the 1st and 2nd parking levels or outside the Chapel.

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.

Prayer Companions 1st Sundays, 11:30 am, Prayer Room

Coffee Hour Zoom link

<https://zoom.us/j/99399406329?pwd=YnlDMUZ3N3VuTGxDTTZ4R05FdU1tQT09>

Coffee Hour Phone link

888-788-0099 -or- 877-853-5247 (US Toll-free)

Meeting ID: 993 9940 6329 Passcode: 832728

This Week at Westminster | January 16-23

Visit westminstermpls.org/events for more details about events.

Sunday, January 16

8 am-12:30 pm | *Hope and Healing in Pandemic Times* | Westminster Gallery

8:30 am | Worship, the Rev. Anthony Jermaine Ross-Allam preaching | Westminster Hall *

9:15 am | Social Justice Forum & Adult Ed. | Westminster Hall *

10:30 am | Worship, the Rev. Anthony Jermaine Ross-Allam preaching | Sanctuary *

Monday, January 17

7 pm | The Bible Then and Now Class | Zoom

Wednesday, January 19

9 am | WOW | Zoom

10:30 am | Moms Group | Zoom

Noon | Centering Prayer | Zoom

5:45 pm | Family Fellowship & Children's Choir | Zoom

6 pm | Worship | Westminster Hall *

6:30 pm | Confirmation Class

6:30 pm | Belonging to a Beloved City Class | Zoom

Thursday, January 20

10 am | Magnet Senior Center | Bushnell Room

Saturday, January 22

10 am | Downtown Coalition for Grief | Zoom

Sunday, January 23

8 am-12:30 pm | *Hope and Healing in Pandemic Times* | Westminster Gallery

8:30 am | Worship, the Rev. Alexandra Jacob preaching | Westminster Hall *

9:15 am | Adult Education | Westminster Hall **

9:15 am | Social Justice Forum | Meisel Room *

10:30 am | Worship, the Rev. Alexandra Jacob preaching | Sanctuary *

4 pm | Youth Groups

5 pm | FEAST | Plymouth Congregational Church

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Today's flowers are in loving memory of
Stanley and Dorothy Kriel
Dale Krach
Laura Krach
by Robert Kriel and Linda Krach

In Eternal Rest

Sandra Erickson Brown, August 4, 2021

Harriett Dayton, December 20, 2021

Daily Phone Devotions

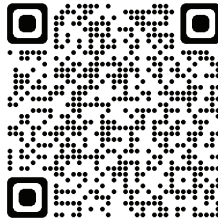
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January 16..... John 2:1-11
17 Isaiah 54:1-8
18 1 Corinthians 1:3-17
19 Luke 5:33-39
20 Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
21 Psalm 19
22 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
23 Luke 4:14-21

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**Join us for worship and adult education
in-person (masks required), via livestream
westminstermpls.online.church or
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Sundays

8:30 am Worship (Westminster Hall)

9:15 am Adult Education (Recreation Room)

Social Justice Forum (Meisel Room)

10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

Wednesdays

6 pm Silence & Song (Westminster Hall)



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