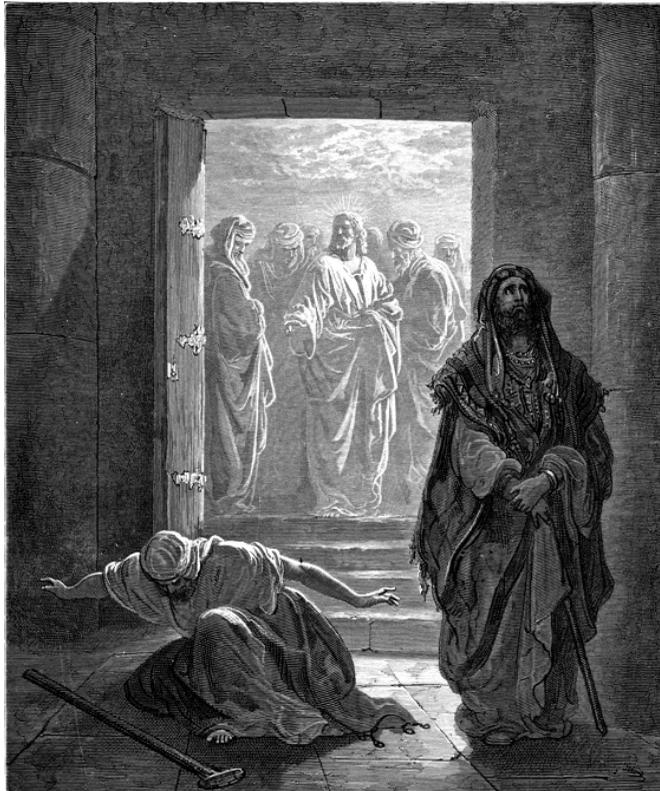


# Westminster Presbyterian Church

*A Telling Presence in the City*

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Sunday, July 17, 2022



*Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector,*  
by Gustave Doré, engraving, 1865

*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

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

**Prelude** Selections from *Exultate: A Liturgical Suite*

*Kyrie*

*Sanctus*

Craig Phillips  
Joseph Trucano, organ

## **Our Life in Christ**

The Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## **\*Call to Worship** (Psalm 36:7-9)

One: How precious is the Lord's steadfast love!

**All: All of us, anyone, can find refuge in the shadow of God's wings.**

One: From the river of the Lord's delights all may drink.

**All: God provides a fountain of abundant life.**

One: Let us worship God.

## **\*Processional Hymn** No. 435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

## **Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Gracious God, we seek healing in your presence as we acknowledge our sin and brokenness. We think too much of ourselves. Or we think too little. In either case, we misunderstand that your love for us, like your love for our neighbors, has no limit. Although Christ is among us, urging us to perceive each person from his point of view, we cling to faulty ways of measuring value. Lord, have mercy on us. Remake us. Forgive us. Set us free to live with the generosity and hope that you demonstrate for us in Jesus Christ.

## **Silent Prayers of Confession**

*Worshippers seek and reflect on the need for God's forgiveness in their own lives.*

## **Sung Confession** No. 576 *Lord, Have Mercy*

*Cantor sings the first time; congregation sings the following two times.*

## **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

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## **Prayer for Illumination**

Marian Hoffman

## **Readings from Holy Scripture**

Psalm 1 (OT, p. 452)

Luke 18:9-14 (NT, p. 70)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon** *Mercy: You Can Never Get Enough*

The Rev. Dr. Matthew Skinner

# Responding to the Word

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**\*Hymn** No. 445 *God, How Can We Forgive*

## **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

The Rev. Dr. David Tsai Shinn

### **Presentation of the Baptisands**

Glenda Hoogland, Elder

Claire Elizabeth Fidler, child of John and Allison Fidler; Annie Nicole Freese, child of Lynn and Nick Freese; and Karson James Gregory Kube, child of Paul and Hallie Kube

### **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 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.

## **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*

*The choir will sing the first time through; the congregation is invited to join on the repeat.*

### **Offering Invitation**

*You are invited to give online via Realm or by placing your donation in the offering 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** *Ubi Caritas*

Ola Gjeilo

Westminster Choir; Dr. Amanda Weber, conductor

*(sung in Latin)*

*Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us exult, and in him be joyful. Let us fear and let us love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love each other.*

### **Prayer of Dedication for the Offerings Received**

**\*Hymn** No. 316 *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

### **\*Charge and Benediction**

*The people respond with "Amen."*

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Postlude** *Ite Missa Est* from *Exultate: A Liturgical Suite*

Craig Phillips

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

**In-person Coffee Hour** In-person Coffee Hour has moved outside for the summer. Join us on the Upper Plaza following Sunday morning worship.

**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. **Although the balcony is closed for the summer, the Tower Room is still open for families with small children.**

## Get Involved

### **Organ Concert: Movie Music Matinee**

**On Saturday, July 23**, Westminster organists Joe Trucano and Kenneth Vigne, along with guest organist Sarah Palmer, will perform a concert featuring well-known movie music played on Westminster's sanctuary organ. This event **begins at 4 pm** and **welcomes audiences of all ages.**

### **Help Host Our Neighbors**

Through July Westminster will continue to offer a bluegrass Wednesday Evening Prayer service on the Lower Plaza at Westminster. Come at 5:45 pm for a hymn sing-along and stay after the service for a cookout on the Upper Plaza. We need your help to make this happen! Please contact **David Shinn at [dshinn@wpc-mpls.org](mailto:dshinn@wpc-mpls.org)**, if you're available to serve as part of a Hospitality Team for worship and dinner.

### **Westminster Booth at Loring Park Art Festival**

For the second year in a row, Westminster will sponsor a booth at the annual Loring Park Art Festival, held **July 30 from 10 am to 6 pm and July 31 from 10 am to 5 pm**. We are coordinating members to serve at the booth, performances to showcase the Westminster community, and participate in a community art project. If you would like to serve, **contact Suzanne McInroy at [smcinroy@wpc-mpls.org](mailto:smcinroy@wpc-mpls.org)**.

## Westminster Cares

**Births, Adoptions, Baptisms** Contact Janice Teliczan, [jteliczan@wpc-mpls.org](mailto:jteliczan@wpc-mpls.org).  
**For Pastoral Care** Notify Deb Wagner of hospitalization, illness, death, or prayer requests, [dwagner@wpc-mpls.org](mailto:dwagner@wpc-mpls.org).

## Parking at Westminster

Free parking is available at the **Orchestra Hall Ramp** using vouchers found at church exits and the reception desk, from 8 am-2 pm on Sundays. There is a **drop-off area off Marquette Avenue** on the east side of the building; those needing to park closer may use the **Westminster Parking Garage**.

## **This Week at Westminster | July 17-24**

Visit [westminstermpls.org/events](http://westminstermpls.org/events) for more details about events.

### **Sunday, July 17**

8 am-12:30 pm | *The Joy of Being* | Westminster Gallery

9:15 am | Adult Ed Hour: *Faith in the Flesh* | Recreation Room

Sr. High Mission Trip returns

10:30 am | Sunday Worship: The Rev. Dr. Matthew Skinner | Sanctuary \*

Noon | Hymn Sing | Westminster Hall

### **Monday, July 18**

9 am | Magnet Senior Center | Heller Commons

10 am | Tai Chi | Westminster Green

7 pm | Adult Ed Discussion: *Faith in the Flesh* | Zoom

### **Tuesday, July 19**

1 pm | Magnet Senior Center | Meisel Room

2 pm | Devotional Chair Yoga | Heller Commons

3 pm | Youth "Quest for the Best" Ice Cream Outing | Honey & Mackie's

### **Wednesday, July 20**

Noon | Centering Prayer | Zoom

1 pm | Magnet Senior Center: Ice Cream Social | Meisel Room

5:45 pm | Hymn Sing | Lower Plaza\*

6 pm | Bluegrass Worship | Lower Plaza\*

6:30 pm | Cookout Dinner | Upper Plaza

### **Thursday, July 21**

10 am | Magnet Senior Center | Bushnell Room

### **Saturday, July 23**

10 am | Downtown Coalition for Grief | First Christian Church

4 pm | Organ Concert Series: *Movie Music Matinee* | Sanctuary

### **Sunday, July 24**

8 am-12:30 pm | *The Joy of Being* | Westminster Gallery

9:15 am | Adult Ed Hour: *Faith in the Flesh* | Recreation Room

10:30 am | Sunday Worship: The Rev. Alexandra Jacob | Sanctuary \*

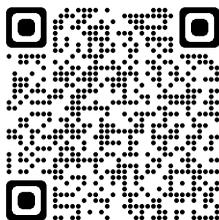
## Daily Phone Devotions

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July 17 ..... Luke 10:38-41  
18 ..... Psalm 119:97-104  
19 ..... 1 John 2:1-6  
20 ..... John 6:41-51  
21 ..... Genesis 18:20-32  
22 ..... Psalm 138  
23 ..... Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)  
24 ..... Luke 11:1-13

## **Giving to Westminster**

You can make a one-time gift or pledge your support for 2022 online via Realm. To access Realm, point your smartphone camera at the QR code below or visit: [onrealm.org/westminstermpls/give](https://onrealm.org/westminstermpls/give)



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[westminstermpls.online.church](https://westminstermpls.online.church) or  
[facebook.com/westminstermpls](https://facebook.com/westminstermpls)**

### **Sundays**

10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

### **Wednesdays**

5:45 pm Hymn Sing (Lower Plaza)

6 pm Bluegrass Worship (Lower Plaza)



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