

Westminster Presbyterian Church

A Telling Presence in the City

Sunday Worship
January 22, 2023 | 10:30am



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

Preparing for the Word

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

Prelude

There is a Balm in Gilead

Trad. Spiritual; arr. Adolphus Hailstork

Gospel Fancy on He Knows Just How Much We Can Bear

Phyllis Hall; arr. Henry Sexton;
Joseph Trucano, organ

Our Life in Christ

The Rev. Dr. Meghan Gage-Finn

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Commissioning of the Chamber Choir and Partnership Team Traveling to Cuba

***Call to Worship** (Micah 6:8)

One: What does the Holy One require of us?

All: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

One: Let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn** No. 66 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Worshippers seek and reflect on God's forgiveness in their own lives.

* Please stand as you are able.

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.

Sung Response *Precious Lord*

Thomas Dorsey, arr. Arnold Sevier
Westminster Chamber Choir; Dr. Amanda Weber, conductor

Listening to the Word

A Time with Children

Sonja Dziekciowski

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Dr. David Tsai Shinn

Reading from Holy Scripture

Sam Bardwell, Artist-in-Residence

and the Revs. Alanna Simone Tyler, Margaret Fox, and Alexandra Jacob

Luke 10:25-37 (NT, p. 62)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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

Hymn No. 188 *Jesus Loves Me* (vs. 1)

Sermon *A Prophetic Imagination*

The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen

Responding to the Word

***Hymn** No. 729 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

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.

Offering Invitation

You are invited to give online via Realm or by placing your donation in the offering plate. Please assist the ushers in passing the plates as needed. 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 *A Prayer*

Ken Burton

Westminster Choir; Dr. Amanda Weber, conductor

Musical Note: Paul Laurence Dunbar, author of the poem featured in this morning's anthem, is recognized as one of the first influential Black poets in American literature. In 2022, we celebrated the 150th anniversary of Dunbar's birth. This musical setting aims to set Dunbar's poignant lyrics of hope in a way that, according to composer Ken Burton, evokes "the sense of weariness, and intense yearning for relief." Burton draws on the free, improvisatory character of Spirituals, Gospel, and Blues in this bitter-sweet setting.

O Lord, the hard-won miles
Have worn my stumbling feet:
Oh, soothe me with thy smiles,
And make my life complete.

The thorns were thick and keen
Where'er I trembling trod;
The way was long between
My wounded feet and God.

Where healing waters flow
Do thou my footsteps lead.
My heart is aching so;
Thy gracious balm I need.

- Paul Laurence Dunbar (1872-1906)

Prayer of Dedication for the Offerings Received

***Hymn** No. 700 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

***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 *Finale - Allegro* from Sonata No. 1

Florence Price

Composer Florence Price holds a special place in the classical music canon as the first Black woman to have a work performed by a major orchestra when her Symphony No. 1 was performed by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in 1933. A prolific composer, Price wrote more than 300 pieces and made significant contributions to the pipe organ repertoire, including this movement from her Sonata No. 1 for Organ.

Today's flowers are in loving memory of

our parents and aunts

Mary R. and John D. Gould

Mary Gould

Patsy Ann and Stewart Keisling

Mina S. Grier

by Sarah Keisling and Henry Gould

Births

Decker Daniel Conlin, November 21, 2022

Daily Phone Devotions

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January 22.....Matthew 4:12-23
23 Ephesians 5:6-14
24 Philippians 2:12-18
25 Luke 1:67-79
26 Micah 6:1-8
27 Psalm 15
28 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
29 Matthew 5:1-12

Welcome to Westminster

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

If you are new to Westminster

Accessible Worship. Large print bulletins, hearing assistance devices, and Hearing Loop information are available from ushers during 10:30am worship.

Welcome, Children! Young ones are always welcome in worship at Westminster. We also offer Nursery care for children 3 years old and younger, and the child-friendly Children's Tower Room (in the southwest balcony corner) is open with the service livestreamed for those who may need to step away for nursing or to tend to children's needs.

Coffee Hour. Join us in Westminster Commons for coffee and fellowship, following Sunday morning worship.

Membership. The next new member class will be held on January 29. Contact the Rev. Dr. Meghan Gage-Finn at mgage-finn@wpc-mpls.org or Janice Teliczan at jteliczan@wpc-mpls.org.

If you seek to deepen your involvement

Justice & Mission. Get involved in serving and seeking justice; contact the Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler, atyler@wpc-mpls.org.

Families, Youth, and Children. Connect with Church School, youth groups, Confirmation, parent offerings, and special events; contact the Rev. Alexandra Jacob, ajacob@wpc-mpls.org.

Adult Ministries. Enjoy faith formation with other adults of the church through classes, small groups, and forums; contact the Rev. Margaret Fox, mfox@wpc-mpls.org.

Worship & the Arts. Offer your artistic gifts in worship, participate in adult or children's music ensembles, or connect with other artists; contact Dr. Amanda Weber, aweber@wpc-mpls.org.

Westminster Cares

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

Pastoral Care. Contact Deb Wagner about hospitalization, illness, death, or prayer requests, 612.332.3421 or dwagner@wpc-mpls.org.

Free parking is available on Sundays
in the Orchestra Hall Ramp,
at 11th St. & Marquette Ave
from 7am-2pm.

At Orchestra Hall, take a ticket when
you enter the ramp & pick up a parking
voucher at Westminster; use both your
ticket and the voucher to exit the ramp.

Free parking for those who need it is
also available on Sunday mornings
in the Westminster parking garage
at Alice Rainville Place.

Our Life in Christ: Opportunities

Third Age Forum: The Path of Purposeful Aging

January 25 | 11am | Westminster Hall

World-renowned keynote speaker and author, Richard Leider, will join us to discuss The Path of Purposeful Aging. Based on his engaging and provocative book, *Who Do You Want to Be When You Grow Old?: The Path of Purposeful Aging*, Leider tackles what it takes to find enduring meaning and purpose in life. **Lunch will be served; register on Realm.**

Men's Ministry Bowling (new location)

To kick off the new year, we invite all men of the church to join us for an afternoon of bowling and fellowship at **Town Hall Lanes on January 29 at 3:30pm. Contact Todd Monson or David Shinn to reserve a spot.**

New Member Class

January 29 | 11:30 am

Those interested in membership will share in lunch and conversation in a gathering co-led by the Revs. Margaret Fox and Dr. Meghan Gage-Finn. We will share stories of our journeys of faith, discuss what it means to be Presbyterian, and explore the ministries of Westminster, specifically. If you are interested in knowing more about membership, please connect with **Meghan at mgagefinn@wpc-mpls.org.**

Faith Nixon Symposium & Luncheon

February 5 | following 10:30am worship | Westminster Hall

This year's speaker will be the Rev. Libby Shannon, Transitional Executive Presbyter for the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area. She will speak with us on the theme of "Finding Your Voice: Transforming Our Shared Vision into Action." Register on Realm by January 24.

Third Age Forum: Bible Stories and What they Mean to Us

February 8 | 11am | Westminster Hall

The Rev. Margaret Fox loves exploring Bible stories with us! As Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries at Westminster, Margaret is excited to lead us in discovering how the methods of bible teaching change from generation to generation—yet also how their meaning endures. **Lunch will be served; register on Realm, starting January 26.**

Westminster Performing Arts Series: Radical Love

February 10 | 7:30pm | Westminster Hall

Don't miss the first WPAS show of the spring season, featuring former Westminster Artist-in-Residence, Joe Davis and founder of the SourceSong Festival, Clara Osowski as they join forces in curating an engaging performance that weaves together poetry and art-song, based on C.S. Lewis's "Four Loves." Stay for a post-show dessert reception and opportunity to meet the artists. **Tickets available now at westminsternpls.org/WPAS.**

Beyond Sunday Connections

February 27 | 6pm | Westminster Hall

The first Beyond Sunday Connections of 2023 will welcome Alice Mortenson. Women's Ministries hosts this evening, which will include a social hour, dinner, and time for women to come together in fellowship and to share personal reflections about faith, work, and daily life. **Register on Realm by February 6.**

This Week at Westminster | January 22-29

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

Sunday, January 22

8:15am-Noon | *Text as Image: Works by Robyn Awend* exhibition | Westminster Gallery
8:30am | Worship: The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching | Westminster Hall*
9:15am | Family Matters | Bates Room
9:15am | Church School
9:15am | Social Justice Forum | Meisel Room*
9:15am | All-Church Book Read Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Henrich | Recreation Room**
10:30am | Worship: The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching | Sanctuary*
10:45am | Children's Church
11:30am | Sr. High Cabaret Workshop | Youth Room
5-6:15pm | Friends Eating and Sharing Together (FEAST) | Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 23

10am | Tai Chi | Westminster Hall

Tuesday, January 24

6pm | Handbell Choir Rehearsal | Great Hall Balcony

Wednesday, January 25

9am | Women's Bible Study (WOW) | Meisel Room and Zoom
11am | Third Age: The Path of Purposeful Aging | Westminster Hall
Noon | Centering Prayer | Bates Room
5:30-7pm | Children and Youth Choirs
5:15-6:45pm | Wednesday Night Supper | Fellowship Hall
6pm | Wednesday Evening Worship: *Journey With Jesus* | Westminster Hall *
6pm | Young Family Fellowship | Fellowship Hall
6:30pm | Confirmation | Youth Room
7pm | Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

Saturday, January 28

10am | Downtown Coalition for Grief | Basilica of St. Mary Cowley Center

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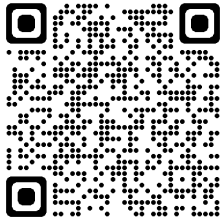
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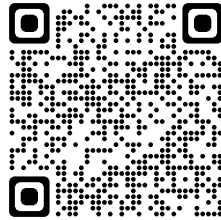
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One-Time Gift



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Sundays

8:30am Worship (Westminster Hall)

10:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

Wednesdays

6pm Wednesday Evening Worship (Westminster Hall)



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