

Westminster Presbyterian Church

A Telling Presence in the City

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 19, 2023 | 10:30am



The Lord's Prayer by James Nutt, watercolor on paper, 2015
On view in the Westminster Gallery

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

Prelude in b, Op. 32, no. 10

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Vocalise, Op. 34, no. 14

Hilary Crosbie, viola; Joseph Trucano, piano

Lenten Greeting

The Rev. Alexandra Jacob

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Commissioning of Palestine Partnership Team

The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen

***Call to Worship** (2 Corinthians 5:17)

One: In Christ there is a new creation.

All: The old has passed away; everything is new!

One: Let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn** No. 407 *Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers*

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.

Sung Confession *Emendemus in melius*

William Byrd

Westminster Choir; Dr. Amanda Weber, conductor

Let us amend what we have transgressed through ignorance, lest, should the day of death suddenly overtake us, we seek time for repentance and cannot find it. Hearken, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against thee. Help us, O God of our salvation, and, for the glory of thy name, deliver us.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

One: The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: Praise be to you, O God.

Listening For the Word

A Time with Children

Olivia King

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

Hymn No. 472 *Kum ba Yah* (vs. 1)

Prayer for Illumination

Brenda Furlow

Reading from Holy Scripture

Leviticus 25:8-12, 35-41 (OT, pp. 104-105)

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *The Prayer Jesus Taught:*

"And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen

Silent Reflection

Responding to the Word

***Hymn** No. 418 *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Alanna Simone Tyler

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 *The Lord's Prayer*

John Tavener
Westminster Chamber Choir

Prayer of Dedication for the Offerings Received

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

***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 *Fugue in a, BWV 543*

J.S. Bach

Holy Week and Easter Services at Westminster

Featuring the music of South African Gospel Ensemble 29:11 International Exchange

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2

Outdoor Palm Procession and Communion

8:30am Worship, Westminster Hall and Livestream

Music by 29:11; The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

10:30am Worship, Sanctuary and Livestream

Music by 29:11; The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Communion and Handwashing

Noon Worship, Westminster Hall and Livestream

Music by 29:11; The Rev. Dr. David Tsai Shinn preaching

6pm Dinner, Westminster Hall

6:30pm Worship, Westminster Hall and Livestream

Music by 29:11; The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

Reflection on the Seven Last Words

Noon Worship, Sanctuary and Livestream

Music by 29:11; The Revs. Margaret Fox, Meghan Gage-Finn, and Matthew Skinner preaching

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Service of Light

9am Worship, Westminster Hall and Livestream

The Revs. Tim and Beth Hart-Andersen leading

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Gospel Sunrise Service

7am Worship, Westminster Hall and Livestream

Music by 29:11, Thomasina Petrus and Thom West; The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

Easter Festival Worship

9 and 11am Worship, Sanctuary and Livestream

Brass Quintet, Organ and Choir; The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching

Daily Phone Devotions
612.332.7087

March 19.....John 9:1-41
20Psalm 146
21Colossians 1:9-14
22Matthew 9:27-34
23Isaiah 7:10-14
24Psalm 40:5-10
25Hebrews 10:4-10
26Luke 1:26-38

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 take place on Sunday, May 7 following 10:30am worship. For information about membership, 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.

Congregational Care. Join dedicated volunteer teams providing support for members through prayer, meals, and visitations; contact the Rev. Dr. David Tsai Shinn, dshinn@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

The Pilgrimage: An Interfaith Civil Rights Journey

March 19 and 26 | 4pm

Join Tim Hart-Andersen and other faith leaders from Minneapolis as they share about their experience traveling together on a Civil Rights pilgrimage. Two more events will be held, **on Sunday, March 19 at Westminster, and on March 26 at Fellowship Missionary Baptist in north Minneapolis.**

Westminster Performing Arts Series presents: Julian of Norwich

March 24 | 7:30pm | Westminster Hall

The Westminster Performing Arts Series will welcome the Rev. Linda C. Loving in the performance of the one-woman show, *Julian of Norwich* by J. Janda, which recounts the life, times, and writings of St. Julian, a Medieval English mystic. **A social hour begins at 6:30pm; tickets available on Realm.**

Westminster Town Hall Forum: Ari Shapiro

March 28 | Noon | Sanctuary and Online

Kick off the spring season of the Town Hall Forum and its theme: *What the World Can Teach Us: Lessons from Around the Globe*. The first speaker is Ari Shapiro, the award-winning co-host of NPR's All Things Considered. **Enjoy a musical prelude from Cantus at 11:30am and a "Breads and Spreads" reception following the forum. Afterwards, we'll host a "Continue the Conversation" event in the Recreation Room with the Revs. Margaret Fox and Matt Skinner.**

Workshop with South African Gospel Ensemble 29:11

April 2 | Noon | Westminster Hall

Westminster looks forward to welcoming "29:11 International Exchange" for a week-long residency during Holy Week. Join these fabulous musicians following worship on Palm Sunday to learn more about South African music, to sing, and to dance! Learn more and register on Realm.

Healing and Wholeness Out of Isolation

April 2 | Noon | Meisel Room

This spring, the Health and Healing Ministry offers a series of monthly lunch and learn opportunities focused on *Healing and Wholeness Out of Isolation*. Each session will include lunch (\$5 fee). On April 2, Westminster Artist-in-Residence Sam Bardwell will discuss *Healing through Storytelling with Jesus and You in the Wilderness: Coming out of Isolation*. Learn more and register on Realm.

Beyond Sunday Connections: The Rev. Margaret Fox

April 17 | 6pm | Westminster Hall

Join us for the last event of the 2022-2023 season as we learn more about how Margaret became the capable, learned woman she is today. She will speak about intergenerational connections - both in our family of origin and family of choice.

Please register by March 27 on Realm.

This Week at Westminster | March 19-26

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

Sunday, March 19

8:15am-Noon | *Prayer and the Cross* exhibition | Westminster Gallery

8:30am | Worship: The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching | Westminster Hall*

9am-Noon | Blood Pressure Screening | Bates Room

9:15am | Church School

9:15am | Adult Education: Church in the Round

9:15am | Family Matters | Bushnell Room

10:30am | Worship: The Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen preaching | Sanctuary*

10:45am | Children's Church | Corner Gallery

4pm | The Pilgrimage: An Interfaith Civil Rights Journey | Westminster Hall*

Monday, March 20

10am | Tai Chi | Heller Commons

Wednesday, March 22

9am | Women's Bible Study (WOW) | Meisel Room and Zoom

11:30am | Centering Prayer | Bates Room

Noon | Wednesday Worship: Lumina Vocal Ensemble | Westminster Hall*

12:30pm | Lenten Lunches | Westminster Commons

5-7pm | Children and Youth Choirs

5:15-6:45pm | Wednesday Night Supper | Fellowship Hall

5:30pm | Handbell Choir Rehearsal | Great Hall Balcony

6pm | Wednesday Evening Worship | Westminster Hall*

7pm | WestConnect | Hunter Room

7pm | Adult Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

Friday, March 24

6pm | Confirmation Class | Temple Israel

7:30pm | Westminster Performing Arts Series: Julian of Norwich | Westminster Hall

Saturday, March 25

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

Sunday, March 26

8:15am-Noon | *Prayer and the Cross* exhibition | Westminster Gallery

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*** May also be viewed via Livestream westminstermpls.online.church**

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**We invite you to participate in Westminster's
2023 Easter Flower Program**

Please fill out this form and submit it with your donation in the offering plate,
to the receptionist, or by mail to the church, attn: Deb Wagner, by Monday, March 27.

An offering of \$40 per designated name is suggested.

Your gift will help to decorate the sanctuary and provide flowers that will be delivered to
Westminster members and friends who are sick or homebound.

Designated names (not donor names) will appear in the worship bulletin on Easter Sunday.

YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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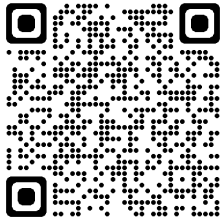
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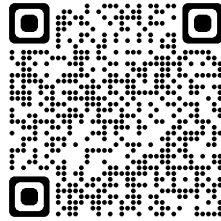
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You can make a one-time gift or pledge online. To support 2023 Stewardship and the *Enduring Hope* Campaign, point your smartphone camera at the QR codes below or visit: onrealm.org/westminsternpls/give

One-Time Gift



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via livestream at westminsternpls.online.church,
or facebook.com/westminsternpls**

Sundays

8:30am Worship (Westminster Hall)

10:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

Wednesdays

Noon Lenten Worship (Westminster Hall)

6pm Wednesday Evening Taizé Worship (Westminster Hall)



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