

Westminster United Church

Order of Worship

June 17, 2018

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Fathers' Day



Aboriginal Sunday

Prelude

Welcome

* Call to Worship

We come as people with questions.

We come as people with vision.

We come as people with self-doubts.

We come as people with courage.

We come as people with regrets.

We come as people with wisdom.

With all our mixed emotions
and confused thoughts,

**We come, open to seeking the
Creator's light as it shines on our paths.**

* Hymn VU 389 *"God Is Here"*

Prayer of Approach

God, you touch our lives with mystery & hope.

We come to this place today,
ready to see your power working through us.

Help us to be open to your Word
and to answer your call among us.

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving.

Conversation *"Miracles of Nature"*

Hymn VU 643

"Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom"

Readings

2 Corinthians 5 – *Walk by faith, not by sight.*

Psalms 20 **VU 742** – Part One with refrain

Mark 4 – *The Parable of the Growing Seed*

Meditation

Brian Stocks

Choral Preface to Prayer

MV 154

"Deep in Our Hearts"

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Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Life and Work of Westminster

Minute for Mission *"Safe Haven, Stepping Stone"*

Offertory Prayer

Freely we have received, and freely we give.
With joy, we present our offerings of
commitment and support for the work of
Christ's church, within our community
and beyond. Amen.

Presentation of our Gifts

* **Hymn VU 227** “ *For the Fruit of All Creation* ”

* **Commissioning**

We are now being called as people of faith to follow a new path on the Westminster journey. Let us go forth from here planting our seeds of hope with the Creator, remaining open to the fruit they may yield.

***Sung Benediction** “ *Go Now in Peace* ”

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, that will be enough.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Postlude

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