

Westminster United Church

Order of Worship

June 24, 2018

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

(* invites people to stand as they are able;
people's part in **bold type**)



Prelude

Welcome

*** Call to Worship**

Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the faith.
We come to celebrate God's presence,

**and God's love
expressed through Jesus Christ.**

We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,
and the life we are called to live.

We come as a pilgrim people,
searching for ways to live out our faith.

We come seeking the strength
to carry on our journey.

Let us rejoice in God's gift to us!

*** Hymn VU 494**

" Those Hearts That We Have Treasured "

Prayer

**Wondrous God, you touch our lives
with healing and with justice.
Although new life is your gift,
we acknowledge those times when**

we reject it.

**May this time of worship renew in us your
promise of meaning and purpose.**

**May we be empowered to carry your
goodness into our daily living...**

**We pray in Jesus' name,
our Source and Saviour.**

Words of Assurance

No matter where we are, God is there.
No matter what we have done, God forgives.
No matter our reluctance to accept God,
God accepts us. With that assurance, receive
forgiveness, and live in fullness and in hope.

Conversation *" Obstacles or Invitations? "*

Hymn VU 166 *" Joy Comes with the Dawn "*

Readings

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 *Now is the acceptable time*

Mark 4: 35-41 *Jesus Calms the Storm*

Meditation

Brian Stocks

Choral Preface to Prayer

MV 154 *" Deep in Our Hearts "* v 2,4

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer VU 960

Life and Work of Westminster

Minute for Mission

" Displaced People "

Offertory Prayer

**We bring our gifts to you, God.
Here is the work of our hands,
and here is the love of our hearts.
Accept them and use them,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presentation of our Gifts

*** Hymn VU 224 “ Sing a Happy Hallelujah ”**

*** Commissioning**

Go forth now, knowing again that you do not walk your paths alone. Sort through the noise and clutter of life's storms for that quiet gentle voice that speaks to you within. Stay open to the call of the Creator in your living, and rejoice in the blessings that it brings to you.

***Sung Benediction “ Go Gently, Go Lightly ”**

Go gently, go lightly, go safe in the Spirit,
live simply, don't carry much more than you need:
go trusting God's goodness,
go spreading God's kindness,
stay centred on Jesus and where he will lead.

Go singing, go bringing the gifts of the Spirit,
go hopefully searching for things that are true:
in living, in loving,
whatever befalls you,
God keep you, God bless you in all that you do.

Postlude