

# WESTMINSTER UNITED CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 23, 2018

Prelude

Welcome!

Meditation

In music VU 374 *'Come and find the quiet centre'*  
In silence

Call to Worship

Greetings to all as we journey in faith!

**We come to celebrate God's presence and love as shown through Jesus Christ.**

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

**We come as a believing 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 presence on our journey!**

Hymn VU 288 *'Great is Thy Faithfulness'*

**Prayer: Creator God, who creates, sustains, and redeems all life, we come seeking your comforting presence. May your Spirit be with us and move within us in this time of worship. Give us hearts that hear your word, and minds that are open to the transforming power of your love on our faith journeys. Amen.**

Conversation *'Keeping things in perspective'*

Hymn VU 371 *'Open my eyes, that I may see'*

**Readings:** Matthew 6: 25-34    *The cure for anxiety*

*'Potatoes, Eggs and Coffee Beans'*

**Meditation**            *'Small Potatoes'*            Brian Stocks

**The Prayers of God's People; Lord's Prayer VU 959**

**Life and Work of Westminster**

**Prayer for the Presentation of Our Gifts**

**Creator God, as you have given your gifts to us,  
we return a portion to the work of your church in the world.  
May these be used to advance the spirit of universal love  
in ways that serve your divine purpose, within our community  
and beyond. Amen.**

**Hymn VU 633**            *'Bless now, oh God, the journey'*

**Benediction**

God, as we go to our homes and our work this coming week,  
Open our ears—**so we may hear what you are saying to us  
in the things that happen to us and in the people we meet.**  
Open our eyes—**so we may see the needs of those around us.**  
Open our hands—**so we may help when help is needed.**  
Open our lips—**so we may bring comfort, happiness, and  
laughter to others.**  
Open our hearts—**that we may love you and others as you  
love us.**

**We go out in song VU 639 v.1**            *'One more step'*

**Postlude**