

# Westminster United Church

Order of Worship

February 10, 2019

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany and  
Our Annual Congregational Meeting**

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements



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

**Entry Into Celebration**

Today we have gathered in this sacred space  
To be in community,  
To share lunchtime food and fellowship,  
To attend to faith, administration and policy matters  
at our Annual Congregational Meeting,  
To remember our past,  
To claim our future, and  
To be fully alive in the present...

*The singing bowl is sounded three times*

**Opening Prayer**

Empowering God,  
when the road ahead seems endless,

**Empower us to be companions for one another  
along the road.**

Inspiring God,  
when the road forward is blocked,

**Inspire in us creative responses  
that move us beyond the barriers.**



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Westminster Congregation**

Enabling God, when the road before us divides,  
**Enable us to feel your presence luring us on.**  
 May it be so. Amen.

★**Opening Hymn VU 686**

*“ God of Grace and God of Glory ”*

**An Affirmation of Faith** (based on Micah 6:8, NRSV)

What does the Lord require of this faith community?

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

*silent reflections*

**Exchange of the Peace**

May a heart of peace rest with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Hymn VU 657** *“ He Leadeth Me ”* (seated)

**Scripture Readings**

From the Early Church *James 2: 14-26*

From the Gospels *Luke 5:1-11*

**Reflecting on This Morning’s Readings**

May these readings be a blessing  
 to the Westminster community of faith,

**And to both friends and strangers  
 who live beyond the walls of this church.**

**Hymn VU 579** (seated)

*“ The Church Is Wherever God’s People ”*

**Centering Silence** (Min)

For a few moments, let us claim some silence  
 in the midst of our busy-ness.

*Silence*

May we look with gratitude upon this day –  
 especially for its countless opportunities  
 and blessings.

*Silence*

Amen.

**Contemporary Explorations** Rev Del Stewart

*“ Why Risk Putting Out Into Deep Water? ”*

★**Hymn VU 563**

*“ Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore ”*

**Presentation of Our Gifts and Offerings**

★**Offertory Hymn VU 541**

*“ Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow ”*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 praise God, all creatures high and low;  
 give thanks to God in love made known:  
 Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Meditation and Prayer for Our Faith Community**

**The Lord’s Prayer** (Unison)

★**Closing Hymn VU 595** *“ We Are Pilgrims ”*

## Words of Blessing

May God, the Heart of Life, be deep within us.  
May God, the Christ,  
be present at our lunch-time fellowship,  
our Annual Congregational Meeting,  
in our homes and places of work and recreation,  
And may God, the Spirit, give us power,  
truth and peace...

*The singing bowl is sounded three times.*

### ★Table Grace VU 552 “For Food in a World”

**For food in a world where many walk in hunger,  
for friends in a world where many walk alone,  
for faith in a world where many walk in fear,  
we give you thanks, O God.**

### We Depart for Lunch and Our Annual Congregational Meeting

### Postlude

Telling a person with Multiple Chemical Sensitivity that  
*“there is only a little fragrance”*  
is like telling someone in a wheel chair that  
*“there are only a few steps.”*

### *Lectionary Readings for Sunday, February 17 ~ Sixth after Epiphany ~*

Jeremiah 17: 5-10

Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Luke 6: 17-26

# Pancake and Sausage Supper

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

5:00pm to 7:00pm

Westminster United Church, 1680 Dougall Ave at Tecumseh Rd W



*Tickets:*

*Adults ~ \$7.00*

*Children (under 12) ~\$4.00*

*Please see Jeanne or call the church office at  
519-258-1471 for tickets*

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