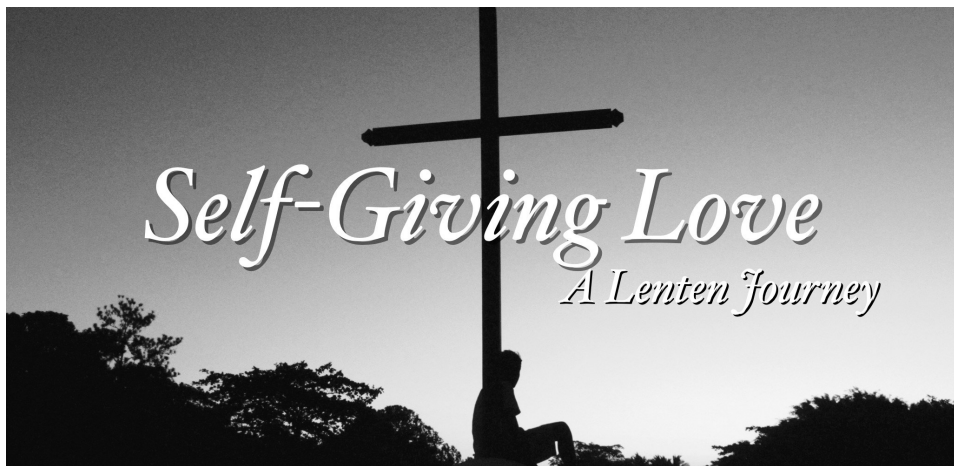




Westminster United Church

"Embracing Our Community"



Weekly Worship Service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
February 25, 2018

Westminster United Church is a Christian family sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with the congregation, the community and the world at large. We provide a spiritual home for worship, celebration of the sacraments, and Christian Education.



We embrace people of all ages, gender, race, sexual orientations, gender identity, abilities, ethnicity, social and economic circumstances, in the membership, ministry, leadership and life of this congregation.

New Here? We are so glad you came! Thank you for worshipping at Westminster. We hope you will be encouraged by the teaching you hear and by the people you meet. Please take a moment to fill out "A Westminster Welcome!" card located in the seat pocket in front of you and place it in the offering plate. To stay connected with us, see our Facebook page, website www.westminster-uc.ca or sign up for our weekly email at wuc@westminster-uc.ca.

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J.a.M.
is fun!



Childcare is available for your baby/toddler in the nursery down the hall. Children and youth ages 4 -14 will be invited to head to **J.a.M.** during the service after the Children's Time. Please speak to an usher or greeter for directions or more information.

(* Indicates to please stand as you are able.)

We Gather Together

Prelude - Come, O God, Renew Your People - *O'Brien*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Verse

Prayer of Approach and Transformation

Passing the Peace

* Hymn: VU 326 **O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

The Bible is placed, candles lit

To Offer Ourselves

Stewardship Moment - *Elizabeth Hatter*

Invitation to Offering

Offertory - We Are People on a Journey - *Demay*

* Sung Response: MV 187 vs. 1,5

Offering Prayer

To Hear God's Word

Jr. Choir - Jesus Superhero - *arr. Vineyard UK*

Time with all God's Children

Sung while children leave for J.a.M.

VU 357 vs. 1 **Tell Me the Stories of Jesus**

Ministry of Music - We Are Not Alone - *Choplin*

Scripture Background

Song for Illumination

Scripture: John 11:1-44 *Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life*

A Sermon on Love That Gives New Life

To Respond in Faith

Time of Silent Reflection

* Hymn: MV 93 What Calls Me from the Death

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

To Go Into the World

* Hymn: VU 703 In the Bulb There Is a Flower

* Blessing and Sending Forth

* Closing Response

* Postlude - Prayer Songs - trad. *Spiritual/Medema*

Lenten Practice of the Week

Reflect: "What in my life right now needs unbinding...to be let go?"

Practice: Reach out to a loved one and let them know the positive ways they have made a difference in your life.



Upcoming Services

- March 4 "Self-Giving Love" A Lenten Journey
Love That Blesses - *John 12:1-8*
- March 11 Love That Serves - *John 13:1-17*

ACM // Today, immediately following worship & a lunch graciously prepared by the Foodman Group // Gym //

Please plan on staying for our annual congregational meeting. Also note CHILDCARE is available during the ACM.

Thanks to all those who participated in the Coldest Night of the Year walk in support of the Refuge // Thank you for your support and for making a difference.

Blood Donor Clinic // Tues. March 6 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. // Gym // You can book your appointment time by calling ahead to Canadian Blood Services at 1-888-236-6283.

Calling All Fabric Stash holders //

The local arrangements committee for General Council this summer is wanting to make tote bags & we need your help // We're looking for 1/2 yard or 0.5 meter or larger pieces of 100 % cotton or quilter's cotton - all colours welcome // Contact Susan Pleasance, 905-493-3122 if you have questions or fabric that you would like to share.

Income Tax Receipt Pick-up // Tax receipts for 2017 offerings to Westminster UC have been prepared // Receipts are available for pick up in the Narthex. Help us save on postage and pick yours up today.

Oshawa Generals Game // Wed. March 7 // Game time is 7:05 p.m. // Join us for this awesome event // Tickets (\$15.50 each) available for purchase from the church office or from Cathy Shaw // Tickets will be available for pick-up from March 4-6

UCW // Mon. March 5 at 7:00 p.m. // Founder's Room // Are you concerned about your hearing? // There will be a speaker from the Canadian Hearing Society to tell us about aging and hearing loss plus so much more. All are welcome. For more information please call Barb Auchterlonie at 905-430-1715.

Lent began on Wednesday February 14 (Ash Wednesday) and continues for 40 days leading up to Good Friday and Easter Sunday. // The word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word Lenten meaning length of days. These days see an increase in sunlight and are associated with spring. For Christians it is a time of reflection and spiritual renewal. // During these weeks you will notice different symbols in the Chancel and on the table in the Narthex. We will speak of their significance as the weeks go on.

The Sanctuary Committee

Greeter and Candle lighter

Pete and Analicia Coulson

Scripture Reader

Rev. Michelle Robinson

Ushers

Team 1 - Lorne Coe, Ron Kurtz
Wendy and Ed Ekker, Cathie Howard

Tech Booth

William Von Zuben and Martin Gilroy

Coffee and Tea Servers

Team 5 - Glenda and Bob Locksley,
Liz Aldred, Arlene Jones

Volunteer Custodian(s)

Team 5 - Jim Ward* (leader)
Joan Ward, Jim and Wendy Edwards

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