



Westminster United Church

"Embracing Our Community"



Worry, Trust and Paying Attention



"Look at the birds of the air..." Matthew 6:26

Weekly Worship Service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
February 10, 2019

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.

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!



A children's program is available for your baby/toddler in the nursery down the hall. Children will be invited to head to **J.a.M.** during the service after the Children's Time. Please speak to an usher for directions or more information. If you have questions about our J.a.M. program, contact: Cathy Shaw, Minister of Faith Formation (cshaw@westminster-uc.ca)

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

We Gather Together

Music for Gathering - Holy Spirit, Rain Down - *Fragar*
- You are My All in All - *Jernigan*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Verse

Opening Prayer

*** Passing the Peace**

*** Hymn: VU 291 All Things Bright and Beautiful**

The Bible is placed, candles lit

To Offer Ourselves

Invitation to Offering

Offertory - My Lighthouse - *Rend Collective*

*** Sung Response**

Offering Prayer

To Hear God's Word

Time with all God's Children

Song while children leave for J.a.M.

VU 646 We Are Marching

Ministry of Music - Let There Be Love - *Hinojosa*

Scripture Background

Scripture: Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon

Sue Kurtz

Rev. Michelle Robinson

To Respond in Faith

Time of Silent Reflection

*** Hymn: VU 374 Come and Find the Quiet Centre**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

To Go Into the World

*** Hymn: VU 353 A Gift to be Simple with
MV 122 This is the Day**

*** Blessing and Sending Forth**

*** Closing Sung Response**

*** Postlude - My Lighthouse - Rend Collective**

Upcoming Services

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- Sunday, February 17 Celebration of Communion
- Sunday, February 24 Sunday Worship
Annual Congregational Meeting
after worship & Foodman lunch

Regional Prayer Cycle:

We are holding in prayer our fellow community of faith
College Hill United Church (Kente).

Prayer Requests during the Service //

Our weekly worship service provides a time for submitting prayers of concern, thanksgiving and praise. You will find prayer forms in the pew pockets. Prayer & praise requests are collected along with the offering. Please place the completed prayer cards in the baskets as they are circulated and your weekly offering in the plates. The requests are read in the service during our prayer time together and then forwarded to our Prayer Team who will continue to pray for each concern.



Coffee and tea served after worship in the gym //

Come to the gym to visit our organic coffee and tea table and satisfy your sweet tooth with a choice of 12 flavours of organic Fair Trade chocolate bars. Your purchases help to cover the cost of serving beverages each week.
Thank you and enjoy!

February is Black History Month or African Heritage Month in Canada //

The United Church of Canada celebrates the many contributions of Black people to Canadian society and to the United Church.

Recent heightened racial tensions in North America have called communities of faith in Canada and around the world to recommit to anti-racism and anti-oppression work.

During Black History Month, we acknowledge the struggles, contributions, and achievements of Black Canadians, knowing that the more these stories are shared, the more we will come to know one another.

(from united-church.ca)

Income Tax Receipt Pick-up // Tax receipts for 2018 offerings to Westminster United Church have been prepared. Receipts are available for pick up in the Narthex on Sundays (February 10 & 17) or from the office until February 19.

Foodman Fundraiser Dinner // Come in from the Cold and Off to the Islands // Saturday, March 2, 2019

The Westminster United Church Foodman group will once again offer a chance to enjoy their culinary skills with a dinner theme, "Off to the Islands". We will begin with appetizers at 6 pm in the Narthex, and dinner following at 7 pm. The cost for this tasty opportunity will be \$35.00 per person. Tickets will be on sale *this Sunday in the gym* and each Sunday after service as well as in the church office during the week.



Having Healthy Conversations – Congregational Workshop Saturday March 23 // 9:30 am to 12:30 pm // Westminster Church



Please mark your calendars and plan to attend a facilitated workshop on having healthy conversations. We will learn and participate together and put our new skills into action as we check in on how Westminster is living into its commitment of being an affirming congregation.

This workshop is part of our preparations for the upcoming conversations we will be having around mission and vision renewal/discernment. Come and be part of the conversation.

For further information contact the Church Office.

Climate Action Survey //

Thank you to all those who took the time to participate in this survey.

Thank You!

COME JOIN OUR



Wine, Women and the Word // Tuesday, February 19 from 7 - 9pm //

Our next Wine, Women is being held at Carol O'Neil's home. Please contact the church office if you are in need of directions. The topic is "A Matter of Time...Sarai."

Bible reading is Genesis 11:29-32, 12:1-20. Please bring your bible if you have one.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (ACM) // Sunday, February 24, immediately following service and a lunch prepared by the Foodman Group.

According to The Manual, 2016, "the congregation ... must meet annually ... [and] must be held as early as possible in the calendar year". It also states: "At the annual meeting, the congregation or pastoral charge is responsible for (a) electing a chair and a secretary of the annual meeting; (b) receiving the annual reports from the governing body, committees, and other groups in the congregation or pastoral charge; (c) electing the governing body and Regional representatives; and (d) considering and making a decision on the draft annual budget". *Kindly note this IMPORTANT DATE in your calendar and plan to attend. Please also note **CHILDCARE** is available during the ACM.*



Shrove Tuesday // Tuesday, March 5 from 5:30 - 7:00pm //

Plans are underway for our annual Pancake Supper. If you can help out flipping, serving and/or cleaning up, please contact Bev Crumb after Sunday service or at bcrumb@sympatico.ca. If you're only interested in hunkering down to a feast of pancakes and sausages, we welcome you to come and share a meal with your Westminster Family. A free-will offering will be gratefully received at the door. There will also be Mardi Gras activities for the children!



SHROVE TUESDAY



Come Walk With Us on the COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR! // Saturday, February 23

Lace up your boots, bundle up and join members of your church community as we walk together to make a difference in the lives of others! To join our team and to sponsor online, just go to www.cnoy.org search for Westminster United Church and follow the prompts; Or stop by the gym after service on Feb. 10 or Feb. 17 to give a donation. All proceeds raised will go directly to The Refuge, a local outreach program giving hope and love to the hurting, hungry and homeless youth of our community. For more information contact Cathy Shaw at 905-723-6442 or at cshaw@westminster-uc.ca

Faith & Fellowship

Faith and Fellowship // Wed. February 13 from 1:30 - 3:00pm // Founders' Room

Our Seniors' Fellowship group is now called "Faith and Fellowship". This is a monthly "come as you can" group and brings us together for a

time of prayer, devotion, food and fellowship.

Upcoming Dates: March 13, April 10 and May 8

Mindful Meditation Small Group // Wednesdays from 7:30pm – 8:30pm // Sanctuary

Is your mind "full" or mindful? If it is the first and you would like for it to be the latter, then you might wish to join our Mindful Meditation group. This Small Group meets every Wednesday from 7:30pm – 8:30pm and all are welcome. No experience or registration is required. For more information, contact Jake at: jrobin06@gmail.com

Fish Pin Ministry

Westminster is starting the Fish Pin Ministry again. If you would like a fish pin with your name on it, please sign up on the sheet near the welcome table in the Narthex. We are requesting a \$1.00 donation towards the materials. Direct any questions to Ava or James Tomlinson at avatomlinson@rogers.com



Nativity Scene - Planning ahead

The Worship Committee is looking for suggestions for setting up a nativity scene on our front lawn at Christmastime. If you have any ideas or would like to participate in locating/building/enhancing a nativity scene, please get in touch with Ava Tomlinson avatomlinson@rogers.com or Heather Von Zuben heathervz@sympatico.ca



Westminster Weekly Calendar

Sunday February 10

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM-Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 PM - 01:30 PM-Climate Disruption Mitigation Committee Meeting (Founders' Rm)

Monday February 11

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM-YDAC (Room 1, Youth & Computer)

09:30 AM - 12:30 PM-Taoism Tai Chi (Gym)

01:15 PM - 04:30 PM-Town of Whitby Sr. Bridge Club (Gym/Kitchen)

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM-Outreach Meeting (Room 1)

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM-Foodmangroup Meeting (Kitchen)

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM-M&P (Founders' Room)

Tuesday February 12

12:30 PM - 03:00 PM-Stroke Recovery Group (Gym/Kitchen)

06:30 PM - 08:00 PM-Whitby 31st Brownies (Gym)

07:00 PM - 08:30 PM-Communications Cmte (Founders' Room)

Wednesday February 13

01:00 PM - 03:00 PM-Seniors Fellowship (Founders' Rm)

07:00 PM - 08:30 PM-FRIENDLIES Meeting (Founders' Rm)

07:30 PM - 08:30 PM-Mindful Meditation (Sanctuary)

Thursday February 14

01:15 PM - 04:30 PM-Town of Whitby Sr. Bridge (Gym/Kitchen)

07:00 PM - 08:30 PM-Family Karate (Gym)

07:00 PM - 08:30 PM-Choir Practice (Founder's Room/Sanctuary)

Friday February 15

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM-YDAC (Room 1, Computer Rm, Gym)

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM-Youth Group (Youth Room/Gym)

Saturday February 16

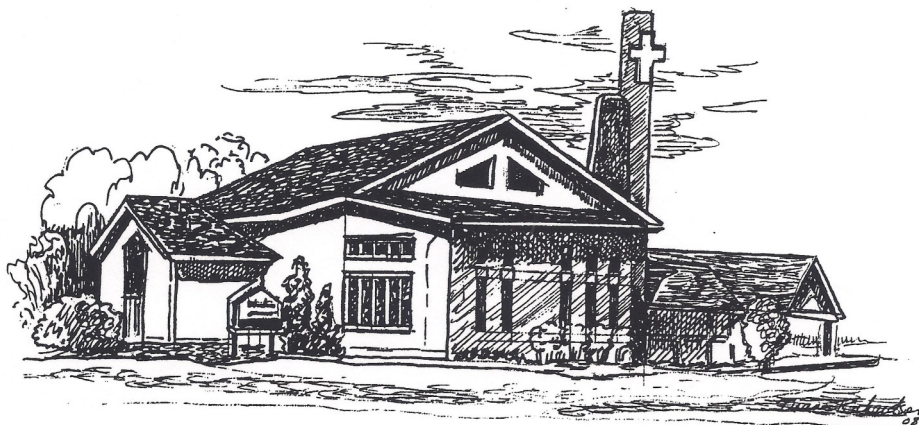
07:00 PM - 11:00 PM- Friends of the Fiddle honour Colleen Jenish (Sanctuary/Gym)

Sunday February 17

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM-Sunday Worship- Celebration of Communion (Sanctuary)

Monday February 18

**-Family Day Holiday -
-Church & Office CLOSED**



Greeters and Candle Lighter Clarence and Joanne MacPherson

Ushers Team 3 - Shane & Margaret Suepaul,
Jeanne Yee, Bruce & Adam Cullen,
Ava Tomlinson

Tech Booth Bruce and Adam Cullen

Volunteer Custodian(s) Team 3 - Jack Darroch (leader)
King Whitney, Bill Fisher

Coffee & Tea Team 3 - Tom Medlock,
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