



# Westminster United Church

## "Embracing Our Community"



# Welcome

Weekly Worship Service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.  
**September 8, 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](http://www.westminster-uc.ca) or sign up for our weekly email at [wuc@westminster-uc.ca](mailto:wuc@westminster-uc.ca).

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(\* Indicates standing in body or spirit)

## **We Gather Together**

### **Music for Gathering**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Call to Worship**

One: This is a day filled with life and all the beauty of the earth.

**Many: We have moved through summer with its warm days and growing gardens.**

One: It has been a time for vacations and recreation.

**Many: Thank God for Summer and all that it means.**

**May God's praise be ever in our hearts,  
and God's love in our being.**

One: Let us join together and give thanks for the gifts of summer as we worship our Creator.

### **Gathering Verse - MV 62 There is Room For All**

#### **Opening Prayer**

**\* Passing the Peace**

**\* Hymn: Gather Us In** (Please see screen for words)

## **To Offer Ourselves**

#### **Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory - Morning Prayer - DeGeorge**

**\* Sung Response - VU 544**

#### **Offering Prayer**

## **To Hear God's Word**

#### **Time with all God's Children**

**Song while children leave for J.a.M. "Shout for God" VU 246 vs.1,4**

**Ministry of Music - Acclamation of Assurance - Martin**

**Scripture: Mark 8:34-37**

*Tyler Tran*

**Message: "Christians Must be Losers!"**

*Rev. Dan Yourkevich*

## **To Respond in Faith**

#### **Time of Silent Reflection**

**\* Hymn: MV 12 Come Touch Our Hearts**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

## To Go Into the World

\* Hymn: VU 678 For the Healing of the Nations

\* Sending Forth and Blessing

\* Closing Response - VU 646 We are Marching

\* Postlude - Sing to the Lord! - *Smith*

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### Upcoming Services



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|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • Sunday, September 15 | Sunday Worship<br>Communion |
| • Sunday, September 22 | Sunday Worship              |
| • Sunday, September 29 | Sunday Worship              |

Next Week's Scripture: Mark 10:46-52  
Theme: "Expect a Miracle"

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### Regional Prayer Cycle:

We are holding in prayer our fellow community of faith  
Scugog Island United Church.

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### 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.

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### Coffee and tea are served after worship in the gym //

#### Join us for lunch TODAY! //

Join us for a cup of coffee or tea and a time of fellowship. Today we are having a congregational lunch. Thank you to the Foodman Group for preparing this lunch. Please feel free to offer your assistance for clean-up afterwards, if you are able. All are welcome!

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### We have Hearing Assistance equipment available every Sunday //

If you are hard of hearing or you wear hearing aids, we can assist you to enjoy the service. Either headphones can be worn without hearing aids or neck loops which can be used with hearing aids. If you wish to wear the neck loop you need to ensure that your hearing aids come equipped with a telephone coil (T switch). You can ask one of our ushers for assistance.



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 any questions or concerns regarding our J.a.M. program, please contact: Cathy Shaw, Minister of Faith Formation (cshaw@westminster-uc.ca)

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### **Westminster UCW // Monday, September 9 // 6:30 pm**

It will be the first meeting of the season on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> in the Founders' Room. We will have a visit by a staff member of Hearth Place located in Oshawa who will share information with us on this cancer support centre. All are welcome.



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### **Christmas Bazaar Meeting // Founders' Room // Wednesday, September 11 // 7:00 pm //**

This is a reminder that there will be a planning meeting for the Bazaar taking place on November 16, 2019. Anyone who is interested in helping to make this year's bazaar a success, please plan on attending! See you on the 11<sup>th</sup>!

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### **Wine, Women and the Word // Tuesday, Sept 17 // 7:00 - 9:00 pm //**

Our next Wine, Women and the Word is being held at Carol O'Neil's home. Please contact the church office if you are in need of directions. The theme is "Ice Cream Social- Are you scooping through the Word?" Scripture to read: Psalm 139:23-24. Please bring your bible if you have one.

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### **The Westminster Book Club // Wednesday, Sept 25 // 1:30 pm // Founders' Room**

The next gathering of the Book Club is to discuss the book If Beale Street Could Talk by *James Baldwin*. All are welcome. To borrow the book or for more information contact Susan at 905-493-3122. And to see all the details about the book look at the September newsletter that went out this past week.



Beth Navarro, our Office Administrator, has been with Westminster for two great years and has now reached a time for change in her life. Beth announced her upcoming September marriage earlier this summer, and we have now received her resignation as well. Beth's last date with us will be September 13<sup>th</sup>. We wish her all the best.

Council has authorized M&P to coordinate a search and hire process. If you know of anyone who would be a good candidate, please encourage them to apply through our job posting on the 'Indeed' website during the coming week.

**Blood Donor Clinic // Tuesday, September 17 //**

**4:00 - 8:00 pm // Westminster Gym //**

You can book your appointment time by calling ahead to Canadian Blood Services at 1-888-236-6283.

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urgently.



**We thank you for your generosity to our Food Bank and for helping to keep our shelves stocked especially during the summer months //**

A few things that we are currently in need of are: canned fruit and veggies, pasta sauce, instant coffee and school snacks or fruit cups. Thank you! We are very grateful!

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### **WUC Debit/Credit Terminal //**

The terminal is available each Sunday in the gym after service, and Monday through Friday in the office during office hours. Use the debit/credit card terminal to make an offering; purchase tickets to events; and/or purchase Loblaws Cards. We accept debit, MasterCard and VISA.

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Westminster United Church

Presents

Diane Leah, Heather Bambrick, and Julie Michels

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### **Broadway**

“From Gershwin to Gaga, it’s Broadway... their way!”

October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

7pm

Limited number of tickets available at the church

or online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)

**\$30 per ticket**

1850 Rossland Road East Whitby

## Committee Corner

This month's featured committee is Westminster's Board of Trustees.

The current Board of Trustees consists of:

Wendy Ekker

Larry Morrow

Ron Motum

Bob Neil

Dave Parks

Shane Suepaul (chair)

Jim Ward

By policy, the Minister is an automatic member of the Board of Trustees

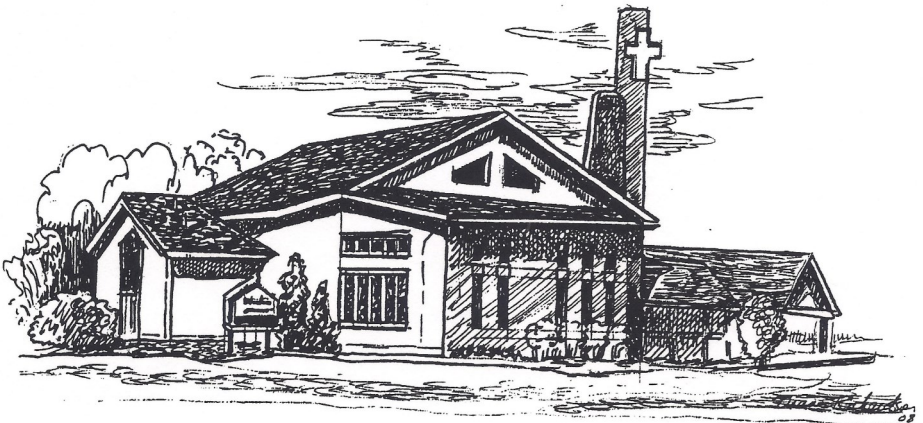


In the last year, the Board of Trustees was involved with the sale of lands to the Manning Mews Corporation.

We are currently looking at three areas as part of our current mandate:

1. Records management at WUC
2. Review investments under Trustee responsibility
3. Review insurance coverage – property, liability (update list of trustees on insurance policy at time of renewal), third party liability

We expect that this list will continue to grow.



## **Westminster Weekly Calendar**

### **Sunday September 08**

**10:30 AM - 11:30 AM**-Welcome Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
Congregational lunch in the gym.  
All are welcome. Join us!

### **Monday September 09**

**08:30 AM - 04:30 PM**-YDAC (Room I, Youth & Computer)  
**09:30 AM - 03:30 PM**-Aphasia group (Founders' Rm)  
**09:30 AM - 12:30 PM**-Taoism Tai Chi (Gym)  
**06:30 PM - 08:30 PM**-UCW meeting (Founders' Rm)  
**06:30 PM - 08:30 PM**-Guides 18th group (registration) (Gym)  
**07:00 PM - 09:00 PM**-Foodmangroup Meeting (Kitchen)  
**07:00 PM - 09:00 PM**-M&P (Rm I)

### **Tuesday September 10**

**12:30 PM - 03:00 PM**-Stroke Recovery Group (Gym/Kitchen)  
**01:00 PM - 05:00 PM**-UCW Knitting Bee (Founders' Rm/Kitchen)  
**06:30 PM - 08:00 PM**-Whitby 31st Brownies (Gym)  
**07:00 PM - 08:30 PM**-Trustees Board Meeting (Room I)  
**07:00 PM - 09:00 PM**-11th Whitby Scouts (Computer Room)  
**07:00 PM - 08:30 PM**-Communications Cmte (Founders' Room)  
**07:00 PM - 09:00 PM**-Parish Mosaic Cmte (Youth Room)

### **Wednesday September 11**

**07:00 PM - 09:00 PM**-Christmas Bazaar Planning Mting (Founders' Rm)

### **Thursday September 12**

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

### **Friday September 13**

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

### **Saturday September 14**

### **Sunday September 15**

**10:30 AM - 11:30 AM**-Sunday Worship– Communion (Sanctuary)

## Being Stewards of God's Earth //



A recent study suggests that humans consume up to 74,000 microplastic particles each year. Toxic chemicals in these microplastics are absorbed by our bodies and may lead to human health effects. Let's get involved and speak to local representatives. It works! In 2018, microbeads were banned in a number of products--including facial scrubs, toothpastes, and body lotions--in response to public demand. Canada has recently launched a plan to ban harmful single-use plastics by 2021. If you want more information about what can be done with the problem of plastics, there are a number of organizations that are working to address the problem, such as Environmental Defence (at <https://environmentaldefence.ca/campaign/ending-plastic-pollution>).

<b>Greeters and Candle Lighter</b>	Westminster Trustees
<b>Ushers</b>	Team 3 - Shane & Margaret Suepaul, Jeanne Yee, Bruce & Adam Cullen, Ava Tomlinson
<b>Coffee and Tea</b>	Team 1 - Emma Lovasz, Joyce Lowe, Liz Robinson
<b>Tech Booth</b>	William Von Zuben and Jan Hendrikse
<b>Volunteer Custodian(s)</b>	Team 3 - Jack Darroch (leader) King Whitney, Bill Fisher

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