

## Westminster United Church "Embracing Our Community"





# Weekly Worship Service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. **September 1, 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.



#### (\* Indicates standing in body or spirit)

#### We Gather Together

**Music for Gathering** 

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Call to Worship** 

One: We have gathered to worship God.

Many: We have come seeking comfort,
inspiration, community and insight.

One: We have come to open ourselves

to the power of God's presence in our midst.

Many: We have come to offer up the seasons

and turnings in our lives, and to ask God's help

in our learning and in our growing.

One: Let us worship together this day.

Gathering Verse - MV 156 Dance with the Spirit Opening Prayer

\* Passing the Peace

\* Hymn: MV 1 Let Us Build A House

#### **To Offer Ourselves**

Minute for Mission– Gifts That Transform Lives

Shirley Penny

**Invitation to Offering** 

Offertory

\* Sung Response - VU 518 vs 3

**Offering Prayer** 

#### To Hear God's Word

Time with all God's Children

Children's Song- "Rise and Shine"

**Special Music** Katie Bonikowsky, King Whitney & Heather Von Zuben

Scripture: Isaiah 55:10-13 Ava Tomlinson

Message: You Shall Go Out With Joy! Cathy Shaw

#### **To Respond in Faith**

**Time of Silent Reflection** 

\* Hymn: VU 232 Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

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

#### To Go Into the World

- \* Hymn: VU 884 You Shall Go Out with Joy (repeat 3 times)
- \* Sending Forth and Blessing
- \* Closing Response MV 145 Draw the Circle Wide
- \* Postlude

#### Thank you to Cathy Shaw for leading in worship today.

Cathy has been part of the Ministry Team at Westminster since 2013. As our Minister of Faith Formation, Cathy works with all ages to ensure that faith is not only explored and developed, but also continually nourished. With the help of incredible volunteers, she brings Faith Forming programs to life, including our wonderful J.a.M (Jesus and Me) Sunday School and our Small Group Ministries. Cathy is grateful for the blessings that God has provided in her life; her daughters, Janelle and Jordan, her extended family and the vibrant, diverse and loving community of faith that she finds at Westminster.

Rev. Dan will be away thru to September 2<sup>nd</sup> (inclusive).
During this time, Sunday services will be led by pulpit supply.
For any pastoral care emergencies that arise, Cathy Shaw is available. Please contact the Westminster United Church office and your call will be directed.

Margaret Motum is also currently enjoying time away. Thank you to Heather Von Zuben for providing the music for our service today.

#### **Upcoming Services**



Sunday, September 8 Welcome Back Sunday
 Children's Backpack Blessing
 Stay for lunch after worship!

Sunday, September 15
 Sunday Worship

Sunday, September 22 Sunday Worship

Sunday, September 29
 Sunday Worship

#### **Regional Prayer Cycle:**

We are holding in prayer our fellow community of faith Deseronto-Napanee United Church.

#### **NO Summer J.a.M classes or Nursery today!**



If you have any questions or concerns regarding our children's programming, please contact: Cathy Shaw, Minister of Faith Formation (cshaw@westminster-uc.ca)

J.a.M resumes Welcome Sunday, September 8th.

#### Lemonade and ice tea //

Lemonade and ice tea will be served during the summer months after worship in the narthex. Coffee and tea will resume again next Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.



#### Welcome Sunday // September 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Plan to come, catch up with your " Westminster Friends" and stay for lunch immediately after in the gym. We'd like to thank the FoodMan Group for providing lunch



for us. Please feel free to offer your assistance for cleanup afterwards, if you are able. We look forward to welcoming you back and to celebrating with you on WELCOME SUNDAY!!



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

This is a reminder that there will be a 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>!

# What a great way to start off a brand new school year!

Hey Kids...Bring your Backpack with you to church on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> for our Blessing of the Backpacks.



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.

#### Being Stewards of God's Earth //

Over 8 million tons of plastic end up in our oceans each year. It is estimated that by 2050, there will be more plastics in the ocean than fish (by weight). While we should avoid using plastics as much as possible, it is important to



recycle what we can. We need to educate ourselves on what can be recycled. For recycling information, check out the Durham Recycling Guide at https://www.durham.ca/en/living-here/know-before-youthrow.aspx.

Plastic bags, for example, do not go in the blue box - but they can be recycled at participating stores. You can find a store near you at https://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/.



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.

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.



We have hearing assistance equipment available every Sunday //

If hearing is a challenge for you 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 Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil ushers for assistance.



#### Westminster United Church

**Presents** 

Diane Leah, Heather Bambrick, and Julie Michels

in

#### **Broadsway**

"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

### \$30 per ticket

1850 Rossland Road East Whitby

\*\* Tickets go on sale online on Sunday, September 1, 2019!!

#### 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.





#### Westminster Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday September 01

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM-Sunday Worship

Pulpit Supply- Cathy Shaw (Sanctuary)

#### Monday September 02

### - Labour Day - Church and Office CLOSED today

#### Tuesday September 03

**10:00 AM - 02:30 PM**-UCW Prep (Kitchen)

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

#### Wednesday September 04

12:00 PM - 03:30 PM-Living Alone Luncheon (Gym, Kitchen)

03:00 PM - 07:00 PM-St. Vincent's Kitchen Volunteers (at St. Vincent's)

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM-Wellness Cmte (Founders Room)

#### Thursday September 05

12:00 PM - 06:30 PM-Choir Potluck dinner (kitchen/Founders' Rm)

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

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

#### Friday September 06

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

#### Saturday September 07

#### Sunday September 08

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

Children's Backpack Blessing

Stay for lunch after service in the gym! Join us.



**Greeters and Candle Lighter** Ava Tomlinson

Ushers Team 2 - Carol O'Neil & Mark Clarke,

Clarence MacPherson, Don Fry, Barb Auchterlonie, Dave Summers

**Tech Booth** Bruce Cullen and Adam Cullen

**Volunteer Custodian(s)** Team 2 - Dave Summers\* (leader) Ava Tomlinson, Don Fry

**Rev. Michelle Robinson**, Minister of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care (Parental leave) mrobinson@westminster-uc.ca

**Rev. Dan Yourkevich,** Supply Minister minister@westminster-uc.ca

**Cathy Shaw,** Minister of Faith Formation cshaw@westminster-uc.ca

Margaret Motum, Minister of Music Beth Navarro, Office Administrator wuc@westminster-uc.ca

Ronell Paguio, Custodian

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