

Watch your email for the Zoom links to all events. If you are not currently receiving our email blast and would like to, please contact the church at wuc@westminster-uc.ca and we will add you to our mailing list.



This Sunday is the **Welcome Back Sunday** and the **First Sunday of Creation Time**. Tune in to our **Livestreamed Sunday Service on September 13 at 10:30am**. It will be based on **Genesis 2:4b-7, 15-17; 3:1-8**. You can find the service at the following link:
<https://youtu.be/ofT1T9Ai-iA>



Online Fellowship: Grab your Coffee/Tea Sunday, September 13 at 1:00pm, for an Online Check-In and virtual fellowship coffee time.

YAY! It's WELCOME SUNDAY! Come J.a.M with us at 11:00am (on Zoom)!

Don't forget to bring all of your school supplies with you this week, so we can Bless your Backpack and your New School Year!





Send your prayer requests to Rev. Michelle (rev.m.robinson@gmail.com) or Cathy (westminster.cathy@gmail.com) to be held in prayer by our active prayer team.

PRAYER WALK

Come and Pray! Self-Guided Westminster Prayer Walk at WUC

Set aside 30 minutes or an hour for a reflective activity around the grounds of WUC celebrating creation and God's presence at the heart of it all. Beginning Sept. 13 and continuing until September 27 prayer stations will be set up around the church property. Come on your own time, alone, or with your family, to journey through the questions and activities for reflection. Let's prayerfully celebrate this liturgical Season of Creation! More information will be available on the website under "Prayer and Study."



WEEKLY EVENTS

Want to hang out with amazing people?
Are you in Grade 6, 7 or 8? Looking for something to do every Thursday night from 7:00pm - 8:30pm?
If you answered YES to these questions, then come check out our Youth Group on Zoom!



Our start date is Thursday, October 1st. To get started, contact Cathy Shaw at westminster.cathy@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION



REMINDER:

All J.a.M Kids **NEED TO BE REGISTERED** by **THIS SUNDAY** (September 13th).

*Please note that with our new, online program, there will be no extra supplies available for any unregistered children. Our new J.a.M year begins on Sunday, September 20th at 11:00am and we can't wait to see you there!

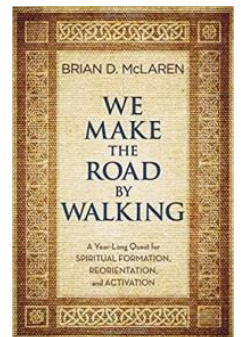
UPCOMING EVENTS



WUC Golf Tournament at Lyndebrook Golf Course in Whitby on **Saturday Sept. 19, 2020**. The tee-off time will be **9:00am**, followed by a light lunch. All of our spots are now filled.

Upcoming Bible Study with **“We Make the Road by Walking”** by Brian McLaren. An overview of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation and fresh re-orientation to the Christian Faith. **Wednesday mornings at 10am** beginning **September 30** on **Zoom** and continuing through the year with Rev. Michelle.

“Faith is an adventure and we make the road by walking.”





Westminster's Outreach Committee encourages members of our congregation to attend a special learning opportunity this coming fall. **"Pathways to Awareness & Understanding"** is an online (Zoom) conference and webinar series being offered through the Indigenous Circle Ministry of St. Paul's United Church in Bowmanville. The attached poster provides the series dates and keynote events. Registration is \$25.00 per attendee until the end of August and \$35.00 thereafter. You can register by contacting St. Paul's at (905) 623-7361 or via [eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca) under "Indigenous Events."

FOOD BANK

Thank you for your ongoing support to this important ministry. **Donations accepted on Sept. 14 from 10-12.**



The following items are needed at the food bank:
 peanut butter, jam, snacks, crackers, baby wipes, Ensure, paper towels, toilet paper, tissue, toiletries, instant coffee, whitener, canned meat, canned vegetables, canned fruit, fruit cups, school snacks and reusable grocery bags



Welcome Back Sunday – September 13, 2020

Dear Friends:

We look forward to worshipping with you! On September 13, 2020, we will be able to celebrate our Westminster doors being open for in-person worship. Services will also be livestreamed. Those who are members of vulnerable or at-risk groups are invited to continue worshipping from home. Your safety is our priority.

Our children's programming (J.a.M), virtual and interactive, will remain online only for now. Register your kids (wuc@westminster-uc.ca) so they do not miss any of the fun!

If you are thinking about joining in-person worship, please consider the following:

Before you come to the Church

- Following provincial guidelines, we are allowed 30% of seating capacity in the sanctuary. Spaced seating has been arranged for 80 congregants. Each household is asked to reserve seating before attending each Sunday to ensure appropriate numbers and to provide contact information should a COVID-19 outbreak occur.
- You can reserve on the Westminster website or by calling the church office, 905-723-6442. Instructions for reserving on the website are attached to this email.
- There will be health related screening questions during registration to ensure health safety for all. If you aren't feeling well, please stay home.
- Out of an abundance of caution we are following Durham Region guidelines for being in public buildings and ask that you wear your mask at Westminster during worship. Please bring your mask with you. We understand that for medical reasons some are unable to wear masks. If you are in a vulnerable or at-risk group we invite you to worship online from home.
- The church will be cleaned and sanitized prior to your arrival.

While at the Church

- Please use hand sanitizer before entry into the main building. It will be provided.
- We have been missing social time with each other but please remember to maintain a minimum distance of six feet apart of other families when in the church and in the parking lot.
- After confirming your registration, ushers will show you to your seat.
- Children attending in-person worship are to remain seated with their family group in the sanctuary throughout the service.
- Offering stations will be set up in the sanctuary.
- The projection screen will share Order of Service information.
- At this time there will be no coffee/tea fellowship time after the service.

Your health is important. Return to the church for in-person worship only when you and your family feel ready and comfortable to do so.

With blessings and gratitude for everyone,
Your Return to the Church Building Committee