

# Sunday Worship Westminster United Church

The United Church of Canada Celebrating over 125 years of ministry in the community Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

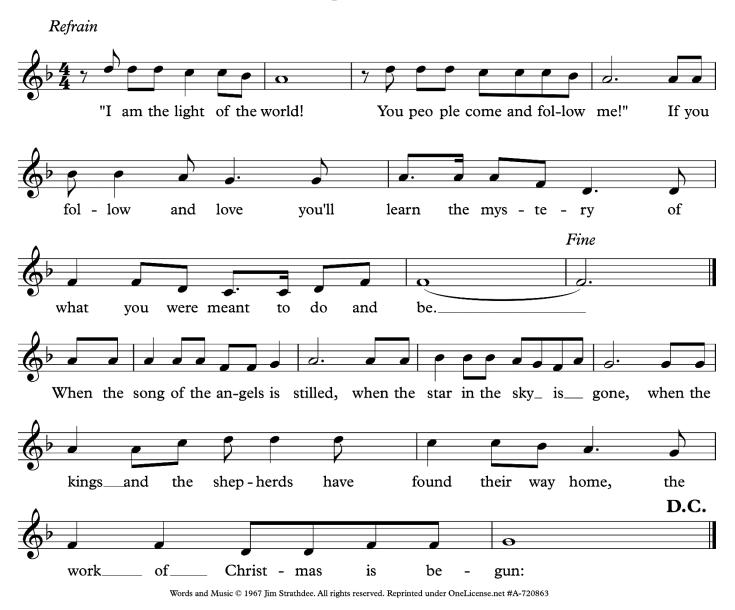
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Organ prelude

**Christ Candle is lit** 

#### Introit

I am the Light of the World



Call to Worship\* God, be with us -In our being and in our doing God, bless us -In our praying and our singing God, speak through us -In our words and in our actions God, be with us - In this time together And in all the days to come Amen

Hymn VU 660 How Firm a Foundation

Prayer of Confession (unison)\*\*

God of wonder, when we look in the mirror, often we do not see holiness reflected back. We long to be sisters and brothers with others, yet we don't want to be an intrusion in our friends' lives. We yearn to be more compassionate, but how often is it negativity or malice that we offer to someone else. And we can be so busy listening to those internal i-pods in our minds, that we have trouble hearing the cries of loneliness coming from those around us. Holy God, help us listen for your gentle whispers that surround us everyday – those encouragements that invite us to live your kingdom of peace with our lives; those persistent nudges that challenge us to follow the path of the one who came to show us your way....

Moment of silence for personal confession.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Words of Assurance

**Children's Time** – Katelyn McIntyre, Children's Table Coordinator

The Passing of the Peace May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

Following the passing of the peace, the younger crowd is welcome to join Katelyn at the **Children's Table** in the Narthex for a time of activity, story, conversation and sometimes even music.

Anthem	Canticle of Praise	by Victor Cohen Johnson
Scripture Reading: Judy Hill Luke 5: 1-11		
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. Thanks be to God.		
Hymn MV 1	61 I Have Called Y	ou by Your Name
Message		

Solo Abide with Me given by Rebecca McIntosh

by S. Liddle

### **Collection of Offerings and Offertory**

After the offering is introduced, an offertory will be played by the organist and the collection taken. Thank you for your gift, whether given today or through other means of supporting ministry at Westminster Church.

Offering Doxology Behold, I Make All Things New



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#### **Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People One: Lord in your mercy All: Hear our prayers

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

Our Father/Mother, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Hymn** VU 584 Through the Heart of Every City

#### **Commissioning and Sending Forth**

**Choral Close** (please remain standing for the choral close, as you are able)



#### GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

#### **Organ Postlude**

If departing before the end of the postlude, please do so quietly for the benefit of those remaining to enjoy the music.

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## February 17 – Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5–10 Those who trust in God are like trees planted by water.

**Psalm 1** (VU p. 724) Blessed are those who follow God's law.

#### **1 Corinthians 15:12–20** How can you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?

Luke 6:17–26 The Beatitudes upon the plain.

To Ponder What do each of the beatitudes or blessings mean in your life?