



Sunday Worship

Westminster United Church

celebrating 125 years of ministry in the community

Sunday December 31, 2017

1st Sunday after Christmas

*Words printed in **bold type** are to be spoken by the congregation.*

Prelude

Christ Candle is lit

Welcome and News

Introit MV 1 Let Us Build a House

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words with-in the Word.**

**Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:**

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

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Call to Worship

If anyone is in Christ they are a new creation: the old has passed away, behold the new has come.

**Arise, shine, for your light has come;
and over you the glory of God has dawned.**

Message “For nothing is impossible to God.” - Rev. Don McIntyre

Sextet Ding Dong Merrily On High arr. by Robert Rice

Collection of Offerings

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

Offertory You are the light of the world. “Rejoice so highly favored! The Lord is with you.” Luke 1:29

May the good things we do bring light to the places where we live and work.

Offertory MV 18 Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

pure and holy tried and true;

with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

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Prayer of Dedication

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn VU 43 Go Tell it On the Mountain

Commissioning and Sending Forth

May the Light of God give us hope. The Power of God protect. The Light of God give us joy. The Peace of God calm us. The Light of God save us this day and forevermore.

Choral Response VU 18 There's a Voice in the Wilderness

**There's a voice in the wilderness crying, a call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway, a highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted, the lofty hills brought low;
make straight all the crooked places where God, our God, may go!**

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

The flowers in the Sanctuary are generously donated in loving memory of.....

My mother Charlotte Thiem & grandparents Frieda & Reinhard Thiem *from Annette Kletke*
Marilyn Huband and Henry Schellenberg *from Thomas & Susie Conrad*
Myra Davidson *from Mary Ann Taylor*
Eddy Grivell *from John Grivell*
George & Mona Sharpe *from the Fenwick family*
Mary & Laurence Bennett, family and friends *from Bob & Ann Peeler*
Betty Halstead *from Roy Halstead*
Ernest Mort, our dear husband and father *from the Mort family*
Dalis Kendall, Dorcas Kendall, Desdemona Walter *from Philistina Howard*
My parents, Charles & Freda Clement, my sisters, Claire Stubbs & Gladys Thomas, my nephew,
Bob Stubbs *from Ron Clement*
Jessie G. Headon, beloved wife, mother and grandmother *from Fred Headon Sr.,
Fred Jr. and family, Colin, Glenys and family*
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