

Westminster At Worship

A Celebration of Worship *Annual Meeting of the Congregation*

February 13, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Please silence your cell phones prior to entering the sanctuary.
†Those who are able to stand may do so.



GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

PRELUDE

Wendy Tally

†CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,

PEOPLE: For they shall be filled.

LEADER: The God who promises life, and that in abundance,
invites us to the table.

**PEOPLE: Where we share in the abundance of life, where we
practice living in the Kingdom of God.**

LEADER: This table is God's Table. This table is open to all who
seek to follow God's Way, to live as people of the
Promise.

**PEOPLE: Here we meet friend and stranger, and recognize all as
family.**

LEADER: Come and taste the grace eternal, come and see that
God is good.
You may be seated.

HYMN

LET US BREAK BREAD

“Let us Break Bread Together”
Chancel Choir Recording

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, we are sick. We have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you. We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours. We have turned away those hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings.

Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you. We call upon you, for you will answer us, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

— *A Time of Silent Confession* —

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Christ, we who are broken are healed, forgiven, filled, and transformed.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

†SHARING GOD’S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

FANNING THE FLAME

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READINGS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Hebrew Lesson
Exodus 13:3-10

Gospel Lesson
John 6:1-15

Epistle Lesson
Acts 2:41-47

SERMON

“Feast and Listen Together”

Rev. Jamie Milton

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (based on *The Confession of Belhar*)

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

We believe that, through the working of God’s Spirit, it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain.

We believe that the church must together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ.

We believe that together we are built up to the stature of Christ, the new humanity.

We believe that we must together know and bear one another’s burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ.

We believe that we are called to admonish and comfort one another; to suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; to pray together, and together serve God in this world.

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

FETTKE

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"
Chancel Choir Recording

†UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Please rise, in body or in spirit, as you feel comfortable, and let us pray together:

We thank you, Generous God, that you have empowered us to participate in the miraculous multiplying ministry of Jesus. Receive now these gifts you have provided us out of your abundance that your miracle ministry may multiply to satisfy the hungry of this world today; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PEOPLE: Our Father, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

BEING SENT WITH GOD'S WORD

HYMN OF DEDICATION

QUIET UNDERSTANDING

"There's a Quiet Understanding"
Chancel Choir Recording

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2022

FLOWERS TODAY are given by Karen Schoepach to offer a touch of brightness and spring in the midst of this long, cold winter season.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION will take place in the sanctuary TODAY immediately following the worship service. Annual reports are located at the rear of the sanctuary. Please limit one per household. You can also view the annual report on Westminster's website, www.wpcbc.org. It is located on the front page, just below the COVID information box.

SOUP LUNCHEON: Following the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, the youth will host a soup luncheon and bake sale in Fellowship Hall. Donations will benefit the youth who will attend Triennium this summer. Please plan to stay for this fun and tasty luncheon! Take-out containers will be available for those who wish to make their meal to-go.

LYDIA CIRCLE will meet in-person on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Session room. The next meeting is February 17. We are using the *Horizons Bible Study, What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*.

DEBORAH CIRCLE: Ladies, you are invited! The Deborah Circle will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. Contact Karen Schoepach at 989-684-1322 or kaysue@chartermi.net for Zoom information.

THE WIRED WORD, "Where current events and faith intersect," takes place on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom (note the time change). News is inevitable — whether good or bad, but what better way to extract hope from this input than to juxtapose scriptures as tools to persevere and navigate our daily walk in Christian faith. Our weekly Wired Word gatherings allow us to reflect on the week's happenings with others who may not share our same thoughts and opinions, but are equally dedicated to thinking about and talking about how current events intersect with our faith questions and convictions. Any questions, or to receive study material and Zoom information, contact Rev. Linda at 686-1360 or parishassoc@wpcbc.org.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: When we respond to Jesus' summons to "Follow me" and we choose to follow, we are committing to a lifelong apprenticeship journey — one in which we will continually be formed, reformed, and transformed. Discipleship is not a skill; it's a way of life. Bible Study classes are offered at two different times to accommodate various schedules. Join us on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the Session Room or Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The same study materials will be used at both gatherings, and are available for pick-up in the church office. See Rev. Linda or Pastor Jamie with any questions.

This Week at Westminster

Today, Sunday, February 13, 2022

- 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Youth meet to prepare for soup luncheon
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Annual Meeting of the Congregation
- 12:00 p.m. Soup Luncheon

Monday, February 14

- 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

Tuesday, February 15

- 9:00 a.m. Bay ISD
- 10:00 a.m. Hearts & Hands Knitting
- 10:00 a.m. The Wired Word via Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 150
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, February 16

- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday, February 17

- 8:30 a.m. TOPS
- 9:00 a.m. Bay ISD
- 1:00 p.m. Lydia Circle
- 5:00 p.m. Food of Faith at Messiah Lutheran
- 5:00 p.m. Combustion Council
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Next Sunday, February 20

- 9:00 a.m. First Light (Sunday School)
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Handbell Practice
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 4:30 p.m. Junior Bell Practice
- 5:00 p.m. Ignite (Youth Group)

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD:

If you are looking for grief support groups, health clinics, or volunteer opportunities that take place within our community, please check out the community bulletin board located in Fellowship Hall.

NURSERY CARE is available for infants and toddlers during the worship service. Our nursery is equipped with a paging system, and quality childcare is provided by Elaine Edwards who is infant and child CPR trained.

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK:

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PER CAPITA: Per capita for 2022 is \$29.00.

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