



# ***Westminster United Church***

## **Worship Service for February 10th, 2019**

Today's Worship Leader is

### **CALL TO WORSHIP (Gathering: Elaine Bidgood Sveet, adapted)**

One: Come in hope this day. Come to worship our God, source of our deepest desires. Let the light dance and anticipation stir.

**All: Now is the time to worship with hope!**

†PROCESSION OF CHRIST CANDLE: **"When the Wind of Winter Blows" (MV 71 vs. 1&3)**

### **OPENING PRAYER: (Gathering: Ivan Gregan. adapted)**

**All: As the sun rises to be the light of this physical world, so you, God, rise before us to be the light of our spiritual path. Give us the assurance that you have placed along the path all that we will need to meet the challenges of this day. Today, in expectation we await the discovering of you in and for our lives. Amen**

### **SHARING THE PEACE**

†OPENING HYMN **"Holy, Holy, Holy" (VU 315)**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Gathering: Kate Crawford adapted)**

**All: Loving God, we confess that sometimes we think our lives should be easy, forgetting that you walked a difficult road. We confess that sometimes we resent it when we suffer, forgetting that you suffered deeply to set us free. We confess that sometimes we become enchanted by our own pain, forgetting that Jesus was broken open to feel the pain of the world. Hear us as we make our silent confession to you now...**

One: And now Heavenly Lord we gather up all of our prayers and present them to you with hope that you will hear and redeem us. Amen

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Gathering: Kate Crawford adapted)**

One: Jesus came to set us free from suffering, so let us turn away from sin! Let us turn to the Light of the World and together let us proclaim the goodness of our God. Thanks be to God that we are a forgiven people.

### **TIME WITH CHILDREN:**

INVITATION TO PRAYER: **"O, Great Spirit" (VU 239 2X)**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

HYMN: **"The Lord's Prayer" (VU 959)**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: **(Gathering: Fern Gibbard, adapted)**

**All: Teaching God, we come this morning in anticipation and hope, waiting for your word to come alive in our hearts, bringing your message of peace and good will to all. Amen**

SCRIPTURE: **Isaiah 6: 1-8**  
**Psalm 138 (VU 860 refrain sung)**

ANTHEM: **" Spirit of God"**

SCRIPTURE: Luke 5:1-11

SERMON: **"Where Am I Lord?"**

†Hymn: **"Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" (VU563)**

MINUTES FOR MISSION: **Community Commitment**

LIFE AND WORK:

INVITATION TO OFFERING:

One: God so loved the world that he gave us a savior, let us now give back a portion of that which he has provided to us, through our lives and our work. The offering will be received.

OFFERTORY: **(Gathering: Beth W Johnston, adapted)**

**All: Loving God, we bring our gifts to share. We bring the work of our hands and hearts, a portion of our material wealth. We pray that these gifts may be utilized in your work and multiplied by your grace. Amen**

†DOXOLOGY: **"Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands" (VU 537 vs 2)**

A NEW CREED: **Spoken (VU 918)**

†CLOSING HYMN: **"Simon, Simon, a Fisherman" (VU 597)**

†COMMISSIONING/BENEDICTION: **(Gathering: Bill Steadman adapted)**

One: We entered worship, aware of the light of God that shines through the life and works of Jesus the Christ.

**All: And now we depart, carrying the light of truth into the world, to share and to inspire.**

†CHORAL "Amen": (MV 225 2X)

†SENDING FORTH HYMN:"Go, Make a Difference" (MV 209 Chorus sung once)

POSTLUDE

### ***Announcements***

Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free. The chemicals used in scented products can make some people sick, especially those with asthma, allergies and other medical conditions. Please do not wear perfume, cologne, aftershave and other fragrances.

The Peace Candle is lit as a reminder to Christians to pray for and work for world peace.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on February 24, 2019. There will be a brief service beforehand and a potluck lunch following. A reminder that reports need to be submitted to the church office for inclusion in the 2018 Annual Report.

The Nominations Committee of Wilton Thorsteinson, Linda Kisell and BJ Maddaford are seeking nominations for the Board of Elders and Board Committees. Please speak to any committee members for more information. Please consider volunteering for the Board of Elders or any of the Board Committees.

Nomination forms are available in Memorial Hall.

Changes to Food Bank Sunday: you will have the opportunity to donate cash to the local Food Bank as an alternative to bringing in food donations. A separate envelope will be passed around during the offering and if you wish you may add any amount and it will be forwarded to the Food Bank on your behalf.

January and February editions of "The Upper Room" are available on the ramp.

Please DO NOT use the 2018 offering envelopes. Some numbers had to be changed, so you may have a new number. You can still sign up for PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance) or ask for envelopes. With both these methods, you receive a Charitable Donation Receipt. Thanks. Contact Donna Scharf by e-mail [rdscharf@shaw.ca](mailto:rdscharf@shaw.ca) or phone 403-526-1555.

Donations at Coffee Time for February are allocated to the UCW.

***Please join us in Memorial Hall for refreshments and fellowship!***

***Assisting with the Service This Morning***

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<b><i>Elder-in-Charge:</i></b>	Al Olson
<b><i>Scripture Reader:</i></b>	Melanie Rattai
<b><i>Greeters:</i></b>	Bev& Ken Empey
<b><i>Coffee Hosts</i></b>	Wally& Vivian Bergstreser
<b><i>Minutes For Mission</i></b>	Wally Bergstreser
<b><i>Sound</i></b>	Pat Evans
<b><i>PowerPoint Operator</i></b>	Kathy Nielsen
<b><i>Wheelchair Lift Operator</i></b>	Pat Evans