



## ***Westminster United Church***

**Worship Service for February 17th, 2019**

Today's Worship Leader is Rev. Santoshan Dharampaul

### **CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalms 113:1-3**

**One:** Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD. Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD'S name *is* to be praised.

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

### **OPENING PRAYER: Zephaniah 1:4-7**

**One:** I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the name of the Chemarims with the priests; And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship *and* that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham; And them that are turned back from the LORD; and *those* that have not sought the LORD, nor enquired for Him. Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD *is* at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, He hath bid His guests.

### SHARING THE PEACE

### †OPENING HYMN: **"This is God's Wondrous World"** (VU 296)

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION: James 3:5&6**

**One:** Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of Hell.

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Joshua 3:5**

**One:** And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

### **INVITATION TO PRAYER: "Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary" (MV 18 Two Times)**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: **James 5:17&18**

**One:** Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: **Revelation 16:21**

**One:** And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great

Meditation: "**What Manner of Man is This?**"

†Hymn: "**She Comes Sailing On the Wind**" (VU 380)

MINUTES FOR MISSION: "**Iridesce: The Living Apology Project**"

LIFE AND WORK:

OFFERTORY:

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

†DEDICATION:

**All: Mighty God, build us together as one body. May our thinking, our sharing, our prayers, and our loving action be outward serving. Strengthen your church by these gifts. Bond us to one another by our shared commitment to you . Amen.**

Elaine Bidgood Sveet, First Lutheran, Rugby & Leeds, North Dakota( Gathering)

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

†CLOSING HYMN: "**Sent Forth By God's Blessing**" (VU 481)

†COMMISSIONING/BENEDICTION: **2 Corinthians 13:11**

**One:** Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

†CHORAL "**Amen**": (VU 967 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 church office will be closed Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> for family Day and will re-open Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

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.

The 2018 Donation Receipts are ready and can be picked up on Sundays or at the church office. Donna Scharf Treasurer

World Day of Prayer is March 1 at 7:00 pm and will be held at the Holy Family Catholic Church

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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***Elder-in-Charge:***

Marg McCulley

***Scripture Reader:***

Judy Taylor

***Greeters:***

Linda Kisell & Albina Jackson

***Coffee Hosts***

Mike & Joan Jantzie

***Minutes For Mission***

Melanie Rattai

***Sound***

Hayley McKim

***PowerPoint Operator***

Kathy Nielsen

***Wheelchair Lift Operator***

Pat Evans