



**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Buffalo, New York**

*Gratitude in Every Season*

*We continue to show our gratitude to God by sharing the blessings bestowed on us.*

**May 10, 2015**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**



*Building Bridges*

Mural Artists: The students of Case Western Reserve University,  
the Cleveland School for the Arts, the five campus ministries of the Interfaith Center  
and artist Katherine Chilcote

You did not choose me but I chose you...  
I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

-John 15:16-17

## **Welcome to this place of Christian worship**

*Do not wait for someone else to begin worship. Pray silently for yourself, for those about you, for the poor and the oppressed, for those unable to be present, and for those who will shortly lead our common worship. Latecomers may enter the Sanctuary during the singing of the first hymn or during the Response to the Assurance. Ushers are available for assistance. Please turn off all cell phones.*

### **Prelude**

Chant de May, Op. 53, no. 1

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Dr. Yorty

## **Order of Worship - 11AM**

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*The 8:45AM worship service can be found on pages 9 &10 of this bulletin.*

### **Opening Voluntary**

God, Who Made the Earth

Carey Bonner (1859-1938)

God, who made the earth, the air, the sky the sea,  
Who gave the light its birth, still cares for me.

God, who made all things on earth, in air, in sea,  
Who changing seasons brings, still cares for me.

### **Chiming of the Trinity**

*The sounding of the chimes, invoking Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, is an invitation to prepare for worship through a time of silent reflection. Please be respectful of those who are praying.*

### **Introit**

Come and Sing the Praise of the Lord

John L. Bell (b. 1949)

Come and sing the praise of the Lord, sing hallelujah!  
Let all that lives, all that has breath, sing the praise of God, hallelujah!

### **Call to Worship**

*The people stand and remain standing for the Hymn in Procession.*

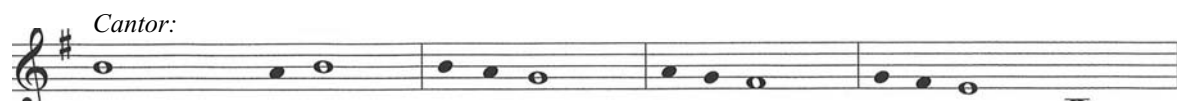
### **Hymn in Procession, No. 376**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL


## Call to Confession

*Cantor:*




Be with us now, O Lord, qui - et us, cen - ter us, hear us.

*Congregation:*



O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer. When we call, an - swer us.



O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer. Come and lis - ten to us.

## Prayer of Confession

Loving God,  
we have not loved you  
or each other with our whole hearts.  
Forgive us, we pray,  
and lead us toward wholeness,  
that we may be filled with your joy.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Time for silent prayer*

## Kyrie

*The people sing.*

John Weaver, 1984




Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Assurance of Pardon


## Response

*The people sing.*

GLORIA PATRI



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be -



gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

## Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Please turn to your neighbor and share the peace of Christ. It is appropriate to say, "The peace of Christ be with you", and to respond, "And also with you." The gesture is simple, but the meaning is profound. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity (Col. 1:20-21).*

*What's more, in the midst of divisions we symbolize our unity through handshakes and hugs (Eph. 2:14-21).*

*Likewise, when we regularly pass the peace we practice God's call to make every effort to maintain the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3).*

## Time with Children

TALLIS CANON



Go with them, Lord, and guide their way through this and every coming day,  
that in Your Spirit strong and true their lives may be a gift to You.

*At this time, parents may decide to have their children 3 years and older leave with their teachers.  
When the children leave, please make sure they take their belongings with them.*

## Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Lesson

John 15:9-17

### Anthem

Love One Another

Samuel Sebastian Wesley† (1810-1876)

But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation.  
Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.

Love one another with a pure heart fervently, see that ye love one another.

### Sermon

Chosen First

### Hymn, No. 384

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go  
*The people stand to sing.*

ST. MARGARET

## Invitation to the Offering

## Offertory Anthem

*The Deacons receive the gifts, a portion of the blessings God has given us, which we return unto God. Worshippers are invited to sign the Friendship Pad located in the aisle seat of each pew and then please pass it to others in the pew.*

Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland\*\* (1879-1962)

Many waters cannot quench love; neither can the floods drown it.  
Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this,  
That a man lay down his life for his friends.  
Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,  
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.  
Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.  
Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;  
That ye should show forth the praises of him  
Who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.  
I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies,  
A living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.

## Presentation of the Gifts

*The people stand to sing as the Deacons come forward and remain standing for the Prayer of Dedication.*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be -  
low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our  
gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly  
Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

## Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us to be your friends  
and to know your will in the world.  
Therefore we pray in Jesus' name that these tithes and offerings  
spread your love near and far. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

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 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, forever. Amen.

## **Sending Hymn, No. 343**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service  
*The people stand to sing.*

BEECHER

## **Benediction**

May the Grace of Christ Rest Upon Us

Daniel Gawthrop (b. 1949)

May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favor, rest upon us from above. (text: John Newton)

## **Closing Voluntary**

Fanfare d'Orgue

Harry Rowe Shelley††† (1858-1947)

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## **Worship Leaders**

**Preacher:** The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

**Reader:** Dr. Phillips Stevens

**Organist:** Garrett F. Martin, Organist and Director of Music

Matthew Marco, Glynda Stephens Taylor Organ Scholar

**Choirs:** The Westminster Choir

The Apprentice Choir and Senior Choristers of the Westminster Choir School

## **Deacons Serving Today**

Shea Akers, Zandy Barrett, Mary Callaghan, Carol Huber, Kathleen Kelly, Becky Read-Lukan, Mike Reynolds  
Sarah Reynolds, Roh-Yu Shen

## **Chancel Flowers**

The flowers at the Lord's Table are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ward B. James and Elaine James  
by their family.

*To purchase Sunday flowers in honor/memory of family or friends. Sign up on the "Flower Calendar" on the Kiosk in the Gallery Room  
You may also call Marilyn Bassett at 634-4211 to choose a date.*

## *Notes on Today's Music*

Born in London, †**Samuel Sebastian Wesley** was the eldest child in the composer Samuel Wesley's second family, which he formed with Sarah Suter having separated from his wife Charlotte. Samuel Sebastian was the grandson of Charles Wesley. His middle name derived from his father's lifelong admiration for the music of Bach. After singing in the choir of the Chapel Royal as a boy, Samuel Sebastian embarked on a career as a musician, and was appointed organist at Hereford Cathedral in 1832. He moved to Exeter Cathedral three years later, and subsequently held appointments at Leeds Parish Church (from 1842), Winchester Cathedral (from 1849) and Gloucester Cathedral (1865-1876).

Famous in his lifetime as one of his country's leading organists and choirmasters, he composed almost exclusively for the Church of England, which continues to cherish his memory. His better-known anthems include *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace* and *Wash Me Thoroughly*. He also wrote several rather late examples of verse anthems, which contrast unison and contrapuntal sections with smaller, more intimate passages for solo voice or voices. Several of his compositions for solo organ have enduring value and continue to be played in recitals. One notable feature of his career is his aversion to equal temperament, an aversion he kept for decades after this tuning method had been accepted on the Continent and even in most of England.

††**John Ireland** studied piano and organ at the Royal College of Music and later, composition under Charles Villiers Stanford. He subsequently became a teacher at the College himself, his pupils included Benjamin Britten (who found Ireland's teaching less interesting). Ireland began to make his name in the early 1900s as a composer of songs and chamber music. From Charles Villiers Stanford, Ireland inherited a thorough knowledge of the music of Beethoven, Brahms and other German classical composers, but as a young man he was also strongly influenced by Debussy and Ravel as well as by the earlier works of Stravinsky and Bartók. From these influences, he developed his own brand of "English Impressionism", related more closely to French and Russian models than to the folk-song style then prevailing in English music. He also wrote hymns, carols, and other sacred choral music; among choirs he is probably best known for the anthem we hear as today's offertory, "Greater Love Hath No Man," often sung in services that commemorate the victims of war. The hymn tune *My Song Is Love Unknown* is sung in churches throughout the English-speaking world, as is his Communion Service in C major.

†††**Harry Rowe Shelley** was an American composer, organist (church and concert), and professor of music. Born in New Haven, Connecticut, Shelley studied with Gustave J. Stoeckel at Yale College, Dudley Buck, Max (Wilhelm Carl) Vogrich, and Antonín Dvořák in New York, and completed his musical education in London and Paris. According to his *New York Times* obituary, Shelley "penned church music that won him wide popularity. For sixty years a host of English-speaking peoples throughout the world sang his hymns."

Shelley attended Hopkins Grammar School in New Haven, Connecticut and at fourteen played the organ at Center Church on the Green in New Haven. Although he entered Yale, he did not complete his freshman year. Shelley was organist at the Church of the Pilgrims during the ministry of Henry Ward Beecher and played at his funeral. Shelley died at age 89 in Short Beach, Connecticut.

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## PREACHING SCHEDULE

Dr. Yorty will continue our journey through the Gospel of John in these weeks of Easter as the church, *in utero*, begins to form. Before the birthday of the church on Pentecost, John compares us to a family tree, reminds us that God chose us before we chose God, literally connects us to one another from the disparate people we are and brokenness we bring, and finally animates the Body of Christ with the breath of the Holy Spirit.

**May 10 - The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty**  
*Chosen First; John 15:9-17*

**May 17 - The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty**  
*Remembering Who We Are; Acts 1:15-17, 21-26*

**May 24 - The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty**  
*Re-connected; Ezekiel 37:1-14, John 15:26-27, 16: 12-15*

**May 31**  
**Lay Preacher, Mark Aquino, Youth Coordinator**  
*John 3:1-17*

## This Week at Westminster

### Sunday, May 10

8:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 AM Heavenly Grounds  
8:30 AM Infant/Toddler Care  
8:45 AM Worship W/Communion  
9:30 AM Dialogue Diner  
9:35 AM Spiritual Life/Adult Bible/  
Case Library  
9:35 AM 6th & 7th Graders Meet  
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 AM Worship  
11:10 AM Sunday School

### Monday, May 11 - WPC Closed

### Tuesday, May 12

7:15 AM Wake Up Group  
4:00 PM ENERGY Program  
4:30 PM Buildings & Grounds Mtg.  
5:30 PM Worship, Music & Arts  
5:30 PM Congregational Life/  
Membership Mtg.

6:00 PM Zen Dharma

7:00 PM Knitting Group

### Wednesday, May 13

9:30 AM Worship Planning Mtg.  
12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline  
12:15 PM CMH Board Mtg.  
1:30 PM Staff Mtg.  
4:00 PM ENERGY Program  
4:30 PM Choir School  
5:30 PM Pathways To Peace  
6:00 PM BGMC Rehearsal  
8:00 PM AA Mtg.

### Thursday, May 14

7:15 AM Wake Up Group  
8:30 AM Centering Prayer  
5:30 PM Gay Bingo Board Mtg.  
6:00 PM Handbells  
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, May 15

5:30 PM Taize Worship

### Saturday, May 16

11:30 AM ENERGY Year End Celebration  
4:00 PM NYS Conservancy Open House  
8:00 PM Choral Evensong-WPC/St.Thomas  
5:00 PM BGMC

### Sunday, May 17 - Ascension Sunday

8:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 AM Heavenly Grounds  
8:30 AM Infant /Toddler Care  
8:45 AM Worship W/ Communion  
9:30 AM Dialogue Diner  
9:35 AM Spiritual Life/Adult Bible/  
Case Library"  
9:35 AM 6th & 7th Graders Meet  
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 AM Worship- Graduating Seniors  
11:10 AM Sunday School  
12:00 PM NYS Conservancy Open House  
12:15 PM Maine Mtg.  
4:00 PM Handbell Concert

# Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.

We invite members and visitors to sign the friendship/registration pad as it is passed during the service. Please indicate if you would like information sent to you or request a call from the pastor.

As a More Light church, we invite all persons of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender community to membership and full participation in worship, leadership, service opportunities and all ministries of Westminster.

We light our peace candle remembering those relatives of Westminster members and all who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our prayers for peace include our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools & families.

Bibles are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

Wireless Receivers for hearing assistance are available in the Church Conference Room.

If you need assistance, please ask any Deacon.

## BECOME A PART OF OUR LIFE

Anyone who would like to learn more about our community and the many ministries we support is invited to attend a meeting immediately following worship on any of the following dates: June 21, August 9, October 11, and December 13, 2015. The Rev. Thomas Yorty, Pastor of Westminster, will tell the story of our church along with the current programs of outreach and mission in the city and region. There will be time for conversation and an opportunity to get answers to any questions you may have. Light, healthy refreshments will be served. At the conclusion of the meeting, those who so desire will be received into the membership of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Yorty (tyorty@wpcbuffalo.org or 830-8596), Karen Keaton (khkeaton@verizon.net) or any staff member.

## MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The ENERGY Program - creates a caring environment where refugee and immigrant students, grades 1-6 from Buffalo's West Side gain social and cultural awareness and self-confidence through improving their English language skills. Contact Carol Greetham at 507-8216 or carol@wedibuffalo.org for more information, to donate or to volunteer.

The West Side Bazaar: Take friends and family over to 25 Grant Street for a delicious lunch and do some shopping! Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 11AM – 8PM, Friday 11AM-8PM, Saturday 10AM- 8PM. Sunday & Monday: Closed. Bazaar Bucks on sale now. Plenty of FREE PARKING!

Westminster's Alcohol and Drug Education and Referral Service has been working quietly and steadily since 1981 to help members and friends with any questions they may have about alcohol or other drugs. Call any of us for free and confidential advice. Phil Stevens, Chair 839-3357; Dave Carstensen 884-5403, Ken Carter 833-9287, Ellen Smith 882-2064, Jim Wieland 523-0217.

## WESTMINSTER CHOIR SCHOOL

*The Apprentice Choir* is for children ages 4-6 years old. Children will be taught fundamental music and choral skills 4:30 - 5:15PM in the Holmes Chapel. For information, contact Garrett Martin, Director of Music Ministries, gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org or 716-884-9437, ext. 318.

*The Senior Choristers* (ages 7 and above) rehearse on Wednesdays, September through May, 5:30-6:30PM in the Holmes Chapel. Participation in the program is not limited to Westminster members. For more information, contact Garrett Martin, Director of Music Ministries, gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org or 716-884-9437, ext. 318.

## ENRICHMENT & FELLOWSHIP

Passages: A Program for Older Adults - Passages will not meet in June. Enjoy your summer and plan to join us when we resume lunch and first program on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. If you would like more information on the Passages program, please call Debbie Katz at 884-9437, ext. 329.

WOW Lunchtime Bible Study is meeting the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 12:15PM in the Case Library. Join us as we look at Paul's advice to the church in Corinth and consider what we have in common with Paul and his community of believers. Questions? Contact Debbie Katz, Director of Christian Education at dkatz@westminster-bflo.org, 884-9437, ext. 329.

Westminster Member - Life Changes? If you are recovering from an illness/surgery or are a caregiver with an ill family member, or have had a new baby, Westminster can provide a simple meal for those in need. Please contact Jamie at 884-9437, ext. 326 or email jadamczyk@wpcbuffalo.org

Save the Date: Westminster Goes to the Ballpark! Saturday, June 13, Buffalo Bisons vs. Charlotte Knights, 7:05PM at Coca-Cola Field. You are invited to join fellow church members for a pre-game picnic at the church at 4:30PM and fireworks at the park after the game! We'll supply the hot dogs. Please bring a dish to share. Tickets are \$10.75 and you can purchase them from George Gates before or after worship on Sundays. **Please Note: Parking is available in the United Way lot.**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WESTMINSTER

*Children are a vital part of the life and worship at Westminster.*

### Childcare for Infants and Toddlers:

8:30AM to 12:30PM in the WECP Building

### Sunday School:

- 3-5 year olds: Mrs. Debby & Mr. Chris LaMendola are our beloved preschool teachers. The three through five year class meets in the Early Childhood building. The children and their teachers walk to the building together and in cold weather, the children need their coats.

- 1st - 5th graders: Each month their class rotates through our three Rotation Workshops:

### Sunday, May 10

*Creation Station* - in Parish Hall -4th & 5th grade classes

*Hollywood* - 1st room in the Parish Hall Balcony -3rd grade class

*Apostles Playhouse* - in Parish Hall-1st & 2nd grade classes

- Our 6th & 7th graders meet with their teacher, Marta Butzer, each Sunday in the last classroom on the Parish Hall balcony.

- Our 8th grader confirmation class meets from 9:45-10:45AM in the Parish Hall balcony classroom.

- Our Senior Highs (9th through 12th graders) meet each Sunday at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall kitchen for Dialog Diner.

## SUNDAY MORNING ADULT LEARNING

### Case Library Conversations, Spiritual Life & Adult Bible Study Joint Presentation

**Sundays, May 10, 17**

9:35AM in the Case Library

*The Four Gospels*

Presenter: The Rev. Geri Lyon

*But it says so in the Bible.... really?* Which two gospels have birth narratives? How are the disciples portrayed? What is the original short ending of the gospel of Mark? Why do they call Matthew, Mark and Luke the synoptic gospels? Who were the audiences which are addressed in



each gospel, and do you have a favorite? Come, and let's have a three-week search for these and some other gospel questions. It's a search that can take a life-time, but you have to start somewhere and no experience is necessary!

**Sunday, May 31**

9:35AM in the Case Library

**Case Library Conversations**

Presenter: L. Nathan Hare, President, Community Action Organization of Western New York (CAO) Mr. Hare will speak on the work of 17 Community Action Organization facilities throughout WNY.

**YOUTH EVENTS C.I.A (Christians in Action)**

Sunday, May 10: 9:30AM– Dialogue Diner, Happy Mother's Day!

Sunday, May 17: 9:30AM– Dialogue Diner

11AM– Recognize Graduating Sr. Highs

12PM – Maine Mtg.Sr. Highs/ parents

**BUFFALO ZEN DHARMA COMMUNITY**

Once again the Buffalo Zen Dharma Community is pleased to offer a unique weekend of Zen Buddhist teachings and practice events on May 7-10. This year we have the great pleasure of bringing a fresh and very accomplished voice to Western NY. Ron Hogen Green, a Dharma Holder in the Mountains and Rivers Order.

If you have an interest in what Buddhism may offer you in terms of a more satisfactory and authentic life, please don't miss this opportunity to discover your inner resources with the aid of Hogen Green over the course of the event-filled weekend which is being held at Episcopal Diocese of WNY Ministry Center, 1064 Brighton Rd., Tonawanda, NY 14150 We'll examine this profound teaching through zazen (Zen meditation), lectures and question-and-answer sessions. The Thursday talk will focus on the Buddha Treasure, Friday on the Dharma Treasure, and Saturday on the Sangha Treasure. Talks can be attended individually, or as a series.

For information,visit: <http://mro.org/smr/buffalo/specialevents/>

**WESTMINSTER PRESENTS**

**Friday, May 15:** Experience a Taizé Service. Westminster will offer a Taizé service of music, prayer and contemplation on the third Friday of each month from 5:30-6PM in the Holmes Chapel.

**Saturday, May 16:** Choral Evensong with the Choristers of the Westminster Choir School and the Choristers of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Whitmarsh, PA, at 4PM.

Buffalo Gay Men's Chorus *DIVA* Concert Series, at 8PM. Tickets are available at [buffalogaymenschorus.com](http://buffalogaymenschorus.com)

**Sunday, May 17:** Let the Bells Resound with *Jazz!* 4PM in the Sanctuary. Kelly Bucheger, a Buffalo saxophone performer and composer, will join the Westminster Handbell Choir and a trio of piano, bass, and drums in this unique concert. A \$5 donation is requested at the door.

**Friday, May 29:** Hugo Wolf: *Italienisches Liederbuch* 7:30PM in the Sanctuary. Matt Marco, piano, Laura Noack, soprano, James Wright, baritone

**Sunday, May 31:** Choral Evensong at *Calvary Episcopal Church*, Williamsville, at 4PM with the Choirs of Westminster Presbyterian Church and the Choir of Calvary Episcopal Church.

Prelude Recital, Flint Dollar, organ, at 3:30PM.

**MPAC - WNY ANNUAL BANQUET**

11th Annual MPAC-WNY Banquet, Saturday, June 13th at the Adam's Mark Hotel. Westminster has purchased a table for 10 people. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the Information Table in the Gallery Room or call the church office at 884-9437.

The key note speaker will be Arsalan Iftikhar, an international human rights lawyer and global media commentator.

MPAC-WNY is a local institution consistently working for the improvement of the community we live in. We hope you can join us.

**SACRED SITES OPEN HOUSE MAY 16&17**

Westminster is pleased to announce that we will be participating in the Sacred Sites Open Weekend, May 16 & May 17, 12-2PM. Congregations throughout the State are invited to open their doors for this annual event so neighbors can experience first-hand the wonderful art, architecture and history of New York's Sacred Sites. Visitors can also learn about the crucial social and cultural programming these magnificent religious institutions provide their communities. Please join us and invite your friends!

**STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR**

Saturday, June 13 and Sunday, June 14. During the Allentown Art Festival, Westminster will open its doors to the public to view our magnificent Stained Glass Windows and sanctuary. Docents are needed to guide visitors for informal Sanctuary tours. Shifts are for 1 ½ hours, on Saturday between noon and 3 PM (2 shifts), and Sunday from 12:30 - 2 PM. If you would like to learn about our windows and share them with others, please contact Janet Kowalski: [janetk300@gmail.com](mailto:janetk300@gmail.com) There will be Docent Training following worship on Sunday, June 7.

**We've Reached Our Goal!**

GIVING 2015

GRATITUDE IN EVERY SEASON

<b>Number of Pledges Received</b>	<b>Total \$\$ Received</b>
<b>309</b>	<b>\$576,385!</b>

Pledges received as of 04/30/2015

**Thank you to all who generously donated in support of Westminster's mission and ministries. And, to our wonderful chairs Jeff Renzoni and Mike Reynolds and our Ministry of Generosity for their commitment and dedication to Westminster.**

We ask if you have not pledged to Giving 2015 please do so. If you are in need of an Intention Card or would like to make your pledge, please contact Monique Brannon at ext. 305 or go to [www.wpcbuffalo.org](http://www.wpcbuffalo.org)

# Worship in the Holmes Chapel

8:45AM

*The Gathering is an opportunity for worshippers to greet one another and to share prayer concerns.  
An offering plate has been placed on the Communion Table to receive your gifts.*

## Opening Voluntary

Chant de May, Op. 53, no. 1

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

## Call to Worship

## Hymn, No. 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

*The people stand to sing and sit for the following prayer.*

## Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we have not loved you  
or each other with our whole hearts.

Forgive us, we pray,  
and lead us toward wholeness,  
that we may be filled with your joy.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Time for silent prayer*

## Kyrie

*The people sing.*

David Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Assurance of Pardon

## Response

*The people stand to sing.*

GLORIA PATRI

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be -  
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

## **Prayer for Illumination**

### **Scripture Lesson**

John 15:9-17

### **Anthem**

Love One Another

Samuel Sebastian Wesley† (1810-1876)

But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation.  
Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.

Love one another with a pure heart fervently, see that ye love one another.

### **Meditation**

Chosen First

Dr. Yorty

### **Prayers of the People**

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

### **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

### **Sending Hymn, No. 343**

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### **Benediction**

### **Closing Voluntary**

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**Choir:** Senior Choristers of the Westminster Choir School



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