



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

May 8, 2016
Ascension Sunday
11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary



Passion
Artist: Kathy Thaden

'I ask not only on behalf of these,
but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word,
that they may all be one.

-John 17:20-21

Welcome to this place of Christian worship.

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Pray silently for yourself, for those about you, for the poor and the oppressed, for those unable to be present, for those who will shortly lead our common worship. Please silence all cell phones.

Childcare is available in the Westminster Early Childhood Programs building for children 5 years old and younger.

Concert Prelude

Kumbayah from A Southern Gospel Suite
Breathe on Me Breath of God
Cause for Celebration
Fantasia on Maccabeus

arr. Alan Fernie
arr. Merrill Perret
William Himes
arr. Stuart Arlington

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Yorty

Order of Worship - 11:00AM

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

Coelos Ascendit Hodie

Charles Villers Stanford (1852-1924)

*Coelos ascendit hodie
Jesus Christus Rex gloriae.
Sedet ad Patris dexteram,
Gubernat coelum et terram.*

*Jam finem habent omnia
Patris Davidis carmina.
Jam Dominus cum Domino
Sedet in Dei solio.*

*In hoc triumpho maximo
Benedicamus Domino.
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas.
Deo dicamus gratias.*

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
Has ascended today into the heavens.
He sits at the right hand of the Father
And rules heaven and earth.

Now all the psalms of David,
Our father, are fulfilled.
Now the Lord sits with the
Lord on the seat of God.

In this greatest of triumphs
Let us bless the Lord.
The Holy Trinity be glorified.
Let us give thanks to God.

Call to Worship

The people stand and remain standing for the hymn that follows.

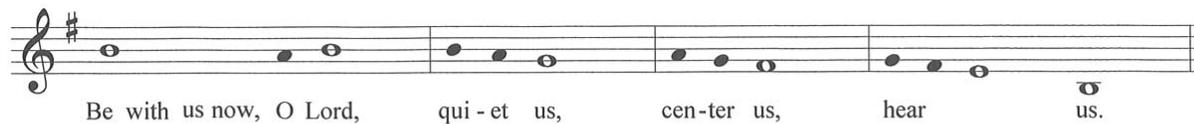
Hymn in Procession, 416

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

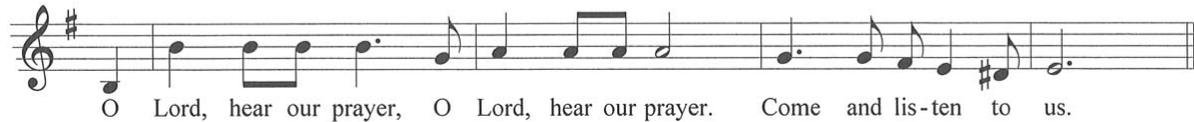
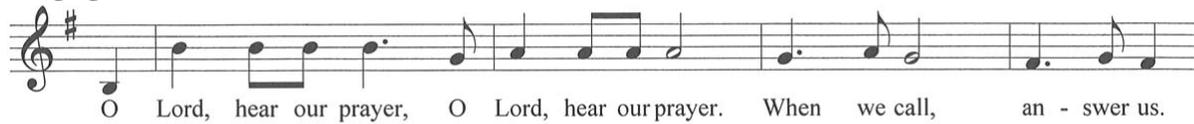
WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Call to Confession

Cantor:



Congregation:



Prayer Of Confession

**Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs
to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you.
We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you.
Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due,
and guide us into unity with all
for the sake of the whole world. Amen.**

Time for silent prayer.

Kyrie

The people sing.

John Weaver

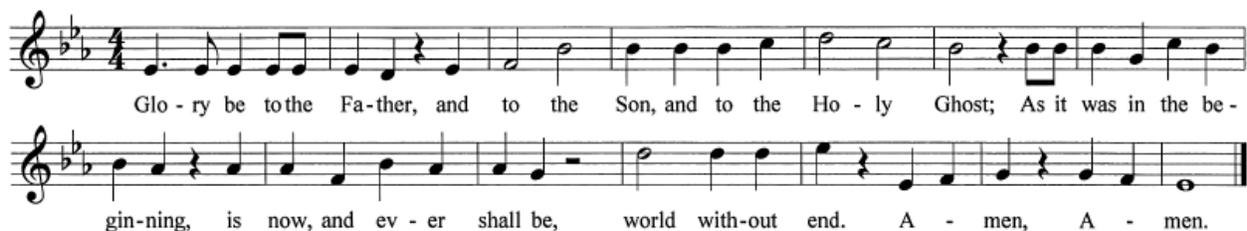


Words of Assurance

Response to the Assurance

GLORIA PATRI

The people stand to sing.



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).

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered today to Jeric Tobin Nguyen Aranez, son of Vivian Aranez and and Jose Luis Aranez.

The following prayers are said in unison when indicated by the leader:

**O God, who called us from death to life:
we give ourselves to you, and, with the church through all the ages,
we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Holy God:
remind us of the promises given in our own baptism,
and renew our trust in you.
Make us strong to obey your will, and to serve you with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The people remain seated to sing

Baptism Hymn 497, Stanza 4

ST. CLEMENT

**Accept, O Lord, our dedication to fill with love the growing mind,
that in this church and congregation the young a faith for life may find.**

*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

Psalm Lesson

Psalm 47

Chant: John Davy (1763-1824)

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.
For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great King over all the earth.
He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.
He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.
God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.
The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham.
The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.

Scripture Lesson

John 17:20-26

²⁰I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Anthem

O Be Joyful in the Lord

Charles Beaudrot (b. 1951)

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands.
Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise;
Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting;
And his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Sermon

Jesus' Prayer For Oneness

Hymn, No. 241

Behold the Goodness of Our Lord

CRIMOND

The people stand to sing.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

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.

Air on a Swedish Folk Song

arr. Peter Graham

Presentation of the Gifts

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures 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

**Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow,
plenty out of want, life out of death:
we thank you for the treasures of the earth,
your creation, filled with your blessing,
for it was in company with these earthly things
that your Son came to dwell,
showing us the enormity of your love.
Because of Jesus' resurrection from the dead,
we, too, are brought to new life,
called to pray and work for the renewal of others.
Take these offerings for the sake of the one without whom
our poverty would be extreme, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**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 and ever. Amen.**

Sending Hymn, 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Stand to sing.

ST. DENIO

Benediction and Choral Response

Introit for a Feast Day

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

Closing Voluntary

Amen

arr. William Gordon

All are invited to gather for fellowship and refreshments in the Oak Room, following the Service.

Worship Leaders

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

Reader: Cornelia Dopkins

Organists: Garrett F. Martin, Organist and Director of Music Ministries
Käthe Wright Kaufman, Glynda Stephens Taylor Organ Scholar

Guest Musicians: The Metropolitan Silver Band

Deacons Serving Today

Cameron Airhart, Kate Dierenfield, Carol Huber, Callan Izatt, Kathleen Kelly, Earl McColgin, Johnpatrick Marr,
Mike Reynolds, Nancy Stevens

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.

Notes on Today's Music

The Metropolitan Silver Band was founded in 1931 and has been associated with Metropolitan United Church of Toronto since 1934. The only brass band in the United Church of Canada, the MSB has an annual schedule of 18 events, including churches and concert venues in the Greater Toronto Area and beyond. We are proud of our extensive recording history, and to date, have embarked on three successful performance tours - two in Ontario and an unforgettable series of concerts and services in the Maritimes. The MSB has also performed joint concerts with the Five Lakes Band in Michigan and now for a second time this weekend, our friends the Buffalo Silver Band. Our current director is Fran Harvey, an accomplished musician and music educator, who holds degrees in Music and Education from the University of Toronto and Athabasca University.



ENERGY would like to invite you to come join
our children and families at our

Celebration "Friendraiser" Event

Sunday, May 15 at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall

The students will be singing, displaying their art, and introducing themselves. A light lunch will be served. If you'd like to take part in the festivities and get to know us, please sign up after the service today on the Information Table in the Holmes Room. Invite others who might want to learn about this unique and special outreach to our community. RSVP necessary by May 10: www.wedibuffalo.org/events or Carol Greetham, carol@wedibuffalo.org 716-507-8216.

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

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.

Visit The West Side Bazaar: 25 Grant Street for lunch and shopping.

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 Members 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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available for children under the age of 5 years from 9:30AM to 12:30AM in the WECP building. Childcare providers will meet with parents and children at the entrance to the Westminster Early Childhood Programs (WECP) school building. Weather permitting, the children will be able to play in the playground.

• 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: Creation Station, Hollywood and Apostles Playhouse
- 6th & 7th graders meet with their teacher, Marta Butzer, each Sunday in the last classroom on the Parish Hall balcony.
- 8th grader Confirmation Class meets 9:45-10:45AM in Parish Hall balcony
- Our Senior Highs (9th through 12th graders) meet each Sunday at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall kitchen for Dialogue Diner.

PASSAGES: A PROGRAM FOR OLDER ADULTS

Lunch at 12:30PM in the Oak Room, 1:15PM program in the Case Library on the first Tuesday of each month. Join us on June 7th as we welcome gardening expert, Richard Price and his presentation on Culinary Herbs. Richard will talk about herbs that can be grown in containers in your kitchens, and ones that thrive better in your garden. There will time for questions and handouts of recipes. Sign in on the Information Table in the Gallery Room or call Jamie at 884-9437 before May 23rd.

THE WESTMINSTER CHOIR SCHOOL

The Senior Choristers, ages 12-18, rehearse each Wednesday, September through May, 4:30-6PM in the Holmes Chapel. The Senior Choristers produce a high volume of quality choral repertoire each week for use in worship and concert.

The Junior Choristers, ages 7-11, rehearse simultaneously with the Senior Choristers each Wednesday, September through May, 4:30-6PM in the Holmes Chapel, with the assistance of Ms. Hillary Hunt. The Junior Choristers further their ability to read music and various languages while shaping the voice into a beautiful treble instrument.

The Apprentice Choristers, ages 4-6, rehearse each Sunday, September through May, during Sunday School in the 11am service in the Holmes Chapel. The Apprentice Choristers are taught fundamental music and choral skills, with the assistance of Dr. Val Cooley. Participation in the programs is not limited to Westminster members; all are welcome to join. For more information, please contact Garrett Martin, Organist and Director of Music gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org 884.9437 ext. 318.

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. Our next date is Sunday, June 12. 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.

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

Sunday, May 8: No youth events - Happy Mother's Day!
Sunday, May 15: 9:30AM - Dialogue Diner (Parish Hall Kitchen)
Sunday, May 22: 9:30AM - Dialogue Diner (Parish Hall Kitchen)
Sunday May 29: No Youth Activities-Enjoy Memorial Day Weekend

SUNDAY MORNING SPIRITUAL GROWTH

CASE LIBRARY SUMMER SERIES

Join Case Library this summer, July 10 - August 14 at 8:30AM for their annual summer book discussion.

SPIRITUAL LIFE,

9:35AM - 10:45AM in the Holmes Room

May 15: Dr. Anthony Bannon, PhD

Director of the Burchfield Penney Art Center

What better way to enjoy spring than to explore the natural spiritual art of Charles Burchfield? Like many before him, Charles E. Burchfield had a deep reverence for the natural world and its sunbursts, haloed moons, eclipses and constellations. Later in life, the mysteries and infinite unknowns of the heavens would be recorded with spiritual devotion and awe.

ADULT BIBLE

9:45AM - 10:45AM in the first room on the balcony on the 3rd floor.

Join our Sunday morning Adult Bible class at 9:45AM in the Case Library from May 8th thru June 26th. We will study Jesus' Parables in light Amy-Jill Levine's book *Short Stories by Jesus, The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi*. We will look at the parables through the lens of Jesus' audience of 1st century people of Galilee and Judah. Levine's approach explores Jesus' parables, reveals hidden depths, exposes misinterpretation and most importantly shows how these stories can challenge and provoke us thousand years later.

WESTMINSTER GOES TO THE BALLPARK!

Friday, June 3, Buffalo Bisons vs. Syracuse Chiefs, 7:05PM at Coca-Cola Field. Join us for a picnic at the church before the game at 5:00PM and fireworks at the park after the game! Tickets are \$11.00 each and you can purchase them from George Gates before and after worship on Sundays, starting on April 3. We'll supply the hot dogs & pop. Please bring a dish to share!! Parking is available at the United Way parking lot.

WESTMINSTER PRESENTS

Fridays @ Westminster! Come for Music, Stay for Lunch

Each Friday, a 30 minute lunchtime concert featuring local Buffalo artists will play in our historic Sanctuary, from Noon until 12:30PM. A Food Truck will be at Westminster each Friday, so stay for lunch! Donations benefit the *Westminster Friends of Music*.

May 13: Phillip Lamb, organ, Food Truck: Center Street BBQ

May 20: Roland Martin, organ, Food Truck: OG Wood Fire Food Truck

Annual Meeting: May 15, 2016

Our Annual Meeting will be held during the 11am service on May 15. The worship service will be designed to hear our leaders report back to and tell us about the ways in which Westminster is continuing this brave mission begun long ago in Jerusalem fifty days after Easter. We will intersperse reports, testimonies and stories with hymns and prayers. Join us as we catch the pulse of this Body of Christ called Westminster and commit to the year ahead!

WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER

8:45AM in the Holmes Chapel with Communion and 11:00AM in the Sanctuary with Communion offered on first Sunday of every month

The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty will preach in May

May 15-One Worship Service at 11:00AM

"Pentecost: The Gift of Hearing and Speaking in the name of Christ"
Acts 2:1-21 (The Annual Meeting will take place within worship)

May 22

"Manifestations of the Holy" John 16:12-15

May 29

"Surprising Encounters" Luke 7:1-10

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 8

Reinaldo On Duty

8:00 AM Senior Chorster's

8:30 AM Infant/Toddler Care

8:45 AM Worship/Communion

9:00 AM Maine Planning Mtg.

9:30 AM Heavenly Grounds

9:35 AM Adult Bible Class/
Spiritual Life

10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal

11:00 AM Worship

11:10 AM Sunday School

12:15 PM Racial Justice

Committee Mtg.

Monday, May 9-WPC Closed

7:30 PM Pundit Club Mtg.

Tuesday, May 10

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

8:00 AM Generosity

Committee Mtg.

4:00 PM ENERGY Program

5:00 PM WPC op Committee
Mtg.

5:30 PM Worship, Music & Arts

6:00 PM Zen Dharma

Wednesday, May 11

9:30 AM Worship Planning Mtg.

12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

1:30 PM Staff Mtg.

4:00 PM ENERGY Program

4:30 PM WPC Choir School

5:00 PM CMH Board Mtg.

5:30 PM Pathways To Peace

7:00 PM Nickel City Opera

Chorus Rehearsal

8:00 PM AA Mtg.

Thursday, May 12

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

8:30 AM Centering Prayer

4:00 PM ENERGY Program

5:30 PM Gay Bingo Board Mtg.

7:00 PM Zen Dharma Event

@Episcopal Diocese

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 13

12:00 PM Fridays @ WPC

6:00 PM GAY BINGO SET UP

7:00 PM BOU Rehearsal

7:00 PM Zen Dharma Event

@Episcopal Diocese

7:30 PM Gala/Matt Alber @

The Saturn Club

Saturday, May 14

2:00 PM Nickel City Opera

Chorus Rehearsal

6:00 PM Gay Bingo

Sunday, May 15

Pentecost/Annual Mtg.

Reinaldo On Duty

8:30 AM Infant/Toddler Care

9:30 AM Dialogue Diner

9:30 AM Heavenly Grounds

9:35 AM Adult Bible Class/Spiritual Life

10:00 AM Last Choir Rehearsal
2015-16 Season

10:00 AM ENERGY Celebration/
FriendRaiser

11:00 AM Annual Mtg.
during Worship

11:00 AM Worship/New Members

11:10 AM Sunday School

1:00 PM Dream Group 1

WESTMINSTER *Presents*

An Inaugural Gala to benefit the
Westminster's Friends of Music
Featuring



Matt Alber in Concert Friday, May 13, 2016, 7:30PM at the Saturn Club

Join us for an evening of great food, fun and music as we welcome singer-songwriter Matt Alber along with a string quartet.

The evening will include hors d'oeuvres ,
a buffet dinner with carving stations and open bar.

There will be a raffle and silent auction, which will include a
"Behind the Scenes" tour of the organs of Westminster with
Garrett Martin as your tour guide and a "Take Flight" item which
includes a flying lesson and tour plus much more!

Tickets are available online at www.wpcbuffalo.org

Prices are: \$75/\$100 at the door.

A GREAT value for this evenings event! Black Tie Optional

***Tickets will be sold today in the Holmes Room
before and after worship!***

Read all about this acclaimed performer at MattAlber.com

Interfaith Congregational Conversations



Going Deeper: The Current Issues Driving Israeli-Palestinian Relations

We will continue our four congregation conversations with North Presbyterian Church, Temple Beth Zion, and Congregation Shir Shalom. The next event will explore some of the pressing issues that led to the decision of the Presbyterian Church to divest of three corporations doing business in Israel that aid or maintain the construction of the fence of separation and more generally issues driving Israeli-Palestinian relations today.



The May 22 event will take place at Congregation Shir Shalom on **at 7PM**. A brief documentary titled, "The Promise" will be presented.

This documentary explores the theme of Israeli and Palestinian narratives. The film interviews

an Israeli teenager and a Palestinian teenager who describe their experiences of the tensions between their people quite differently. We will discuss issues the documentary raises as well as other issues raised in the previous 2 sessions.

These conversations are designed to equip participants with a deeper understanding of the complex issues that affect the State of Israel and to prepare those who also intend to make the four-congregation trip to Israel (to be scheduled for winter of 2017) to make the best use of our visit to Israel and the opportunity to meet the voices 'on the ground' in Israel that are affected by and influencing Israeli-Palestinian relations.

Please contact Jamie Adamczyk at 884-9437, ext. 326 or email jadamczyk@wpcbuffalo.org for more information or to RSVP.

If you have any questions about the event or would like to invite friends, please contact your clergy.

GRATITUDE IN EVERY *Action*



GIVING 2016

Pledges received as of 5/06/2016

Number of Pledges Received	Total Pledges Received	Dollars to Goal
265	\$524,979	\$75,021

We ask that you consider the blessing that Westminster is in your life and with a grateful heart send your Intention Card with support for 2016. Giving your financial pledge will enable Westminster to continue to show our gratitude to God by sharing our blessings within our church home and our community. Return your intention card by mail or make your pledge online at www.wpcbuffalo.org/pledge2016 or email Sawrie Becker, Director of Development, sbecker@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

Herzlich tut mich Erfreuen, op. 122, no. 4

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Yorty

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

A Grateful Heart

Mary Plumstead (1905-1980)

Thou that hast given so much to me, give one thing more, a grateful heart.
Not thankful when it pleaseth me, as if Thy blessing had spare days:
But such a heart, whose pulse may be Thy praise.

Call to Worship

The people stand and remain standing for the hymn.

Hymn, No. 416

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Prayer Of Confession

**Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs
to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you.
We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you.
Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due,
and guide us into unity with all
for the sake of the whole world. Amen.**

Time for silent prayer.

Kyrie

The people sing.

John Weaver (1984)



Words of Assurance

Response

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Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Meditation

Jesus' Prayer For Oneness

Prayers of the People

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sending Hymn, 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Stand to sing.

ST. DENIO

Benediction and Choral Response

The Chorister's Prayer

Murray F. Somerville (b. 1949)

Bless, O Lord, us thy servants who minister in thy temple;
Grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts,
And what we believe in our hearts we may show forth in our lives,
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Closing Voluntary

Heut Triumphieret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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